

Still Hopes for Peaceful Solution: Can't Involve Whole Empire for Small State, Premier Tells British Nation in Radio Broadcast

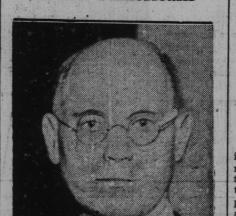
Sept. 27.-(AP)-Prime London, Minister Chamberlain declared tonight that "we cannot undertake to involve the whole British Empire in war, however much we may sympathize with a small nation."

The prime minister had declared he would not hesitate to take a third trip to Germany if he though tit would do any good, but at the moment "I can see nothing further that I can usefully do in the way of mediation."

"If I were convinced that any nation had made up its mind to dominate the world by force, I should not hesitate to resist it," the prime minister said in a broadcast from No. 10 Downing street.

"I find Herr Hitler's attitude unreasonable in his final demands," he continued. "But I shall not give up my hope for a peaceful solution." At the beginning of his speech, he

told the world: "Tomorrow Parliament is going to meet, and I shall be making a first statement on the events which have led up to the present critical situa-



American Minister Wilbur J. Carr (above), stationed at Prague, Czechoslovakia, has warned all

American citizens to leave Czecho-slovakia immediately. Some 5,000

Americans are reported in the little republic.

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Warns Americans

North Carolina Jurist Made Chairman of **Fact-Finding Group to Determine Merits of** Rail Strike Issue: Walk - Out Deferred for Weeks

Washington, Sept. 27.-(AP)-President Roosevelt appointed a three member fact-finding committee today to investigate the wage dispute be-tween the railroads and their employees. Members of the commission are Chief Justice Walter P. Stacy, of North Carolina Supreme Court, chairman; Prof. Harry Millis, of the University of Chicago, and Dean James Landis, of the Harvard Law School. Under the railroad labor, law, they will report within 30 days.

Railroad workers have voted to strike if the carriers insist on a 15 percent wage reduction proposed for October 1. Because of arbitration machinery contained in the labor law, however, employees could not actually walk out before December 1.

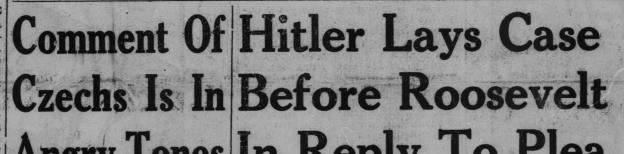
NEARLY MILLION WORKERS VOTE IN FAVOR STRIKE Chicago, Sept. 27.-(AP)-Nearly a

nillion railroad workers, from section hands to streamliner engineers, were committed today to a nationwide strike this week-end, but presidential intercession, postponing the walk-out was considered imminent. The zero hour for 790,000 employees in 18 unions constituting the railway labor executives association was 6

p. m. Friday, September 30. The 160,-



This self-explanatory map charts the comparative man-power and air strength of the European nations which will be most likely to be drawn into war if the Czech-Nazi negotiations break down. The figures are based on the latest data, held most reliable by the United States War Department. They show that the Rome-Berlin axis will face a 4-to-1 man-power handicap. (Central Press)



Suggestion World

Should Not Be Plunged Into War After Sudeten Agreement Is **Reached in Principle;** Some See Way Out

Berlin, Sept. 27.-(AP)-Another visit by Sir Horace Wilson to Adolf Hitler today raised new hope of a warless solution of Germany's demands on Czechoslovakia. The meeting, the second between Hitler and British Prime Minister Chamberlain's emissary in two days, fulfilled the hope expressed by President Roose-velt that negotiations not be broken

It was believed Sir Horace had some thing concrete and constructive to talk about in the half hour he spent with Hitler. That was Chamberlain's conciliatory statement on Hitler's speech of yesterday and particularly his offer that Britain would guarantee that Czechoslovakia carry out her part of the Sudetenland agreement, provided Germany refrained from force

Sir Horace took off by airplane for London from the airdrome at 1:45 p. m. (7:45 a. m. eastern standard time). after seeing Hitler. He was expected to arrive at Heston airdrome about

5:15 p. m. The British emissary was accom-panied to the chancellory by Sir Neville Henderson, British ambassador to Germany, and an embassy retary. He was reported to have pleaded eloquently that where such a far-reaching agreement in principle has already been reached over the Sudetenland, the world should not be plunged into war merely because of differences over putting it into ef-

Emphasizing that they could not speak for Hitler, some commentators

tion. An earlier statement would have been impossible while I was fly-ing backwards and forwards across Europe, and the position was changing from hour to hour.

But today, there is a lull for a brief time and I want to say a few words to you men and women of Bri-tain and pethers to others as well tain and perhaps to others as well.

"I have done all that one man can do to halt this war. Tomorrow I shall be making a full statement of events which led up to the present anxious situation."

Vote Battle **On Congress Rises Again**

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Sept. 27.—Chairman W. A. Lucas, of the State Board of Elections, is just as communicative about plans for Wednesday's gathering of his group as is a clam on the subject of clam chowder, but all indications are that the State Board will dump into the lap of the Davidson and Richmond county units the job of re-viewing some of the affidavits and it was deemed wise to give them an counter-affidavits of the Deane-Bur- additional two weeks in/ which to gin eighth district congressional elec-

tion row. Not that the State board has the slightest intention of abdicating the supervisory and compelling power the supe ing to allow the lower boards the op-portunity, at least, too look over the by the collectors.

cases studied by the State board. In the long run, however, it's better than dollars to doughnuts that boards meet with its approval. In othwith the State board's ideas.

There has been some talk about the case still being "very much in the courts', with Burgin having some chance to win an eventual decision, but competent legal observers declare that the Davidson man's one and only chance is for the State board to become convinced that its previouslyreached conclusion was erroneousand that chance, from a practical standpoint, seems about one in a mil-

None of them is saying so, but it is undoubtedly true that every member of the State board feels that 't has dealt not only justly, but mercifully with Davidson county. Many informed sources assert that but for Chairman Lucas' personal efforts the lid would have been "blown off" in Davidson weeks ago, and several hundred more Burgin votes tossed out as fraudulent.

Control Act work at 12:01 a. m. Saturday. were involved in the dispute. Hitler Reply Judge Harris, How- Is Studied ever. Orders All Tobacco Warehousemen By President **To Impound Penalties**

Washington, Sept. 27.—(AP)—Pres-ident Roosevelt studied today, preli-Raleigh, Sept. 27.-(AP)-Judge W. C. Harris in Wake Superior Court 10minary to this afternoon's cabinet sesday issued an order to continue un-til Octover 11 a hearing on a suit sion, Adolf Hitler's reply to his recent note urging peace on European na-tions. Hitler's reply was received at to test the constitutionality of the Federal farm control act but ordered the White House late last night, transall tobacco warehousemen in the State to start immediately impoundlated immediately and read by the President. ing tobacco tax penalties they collect. Stephen Early, White House secre-The judge said his order was issued

tary, said there was no comment on on his own motion without objection of either side to the suits, and had the effect of a temporary injunction, though the hearing October 11 would This afternoon Mr. Roosevelt and his cabinet were expected to listen to a broadcast from London by Prime Minister Chamberlain. be on the issue of whether a temporary injunction should be issued.

Other developments: His continuance order set forth that there were 250 to 300 defendants in 27 The State Department "strongly advised" Americans to forego travel to Europe. The department warning it was deemed wise to give them an was based upon reports reaching here take action to protect their interests. He directed, however, that all colfrom nearly all sections of Europe that travel there is becoming increasingly difficult.

Delays are being experienced by American citizens, the department said, in obtaining immediate passage Mr. Lucas and his associates are go- remittance to the secretary of agri- home. The department made an exculture, and kept in separate accounts ception to its strong advice only in "cases of absolute necessity."



Winston-Salem, Sept. 27.-(AP)-1 be sold here today. With upward of a million pounds on Opening day offerings of quality tothe floors at Reidsville at the openbacco on the Old Belt tobacco maring, officials of the market there preket today brought prices averaging dicted about 450,000 pounds would be sold during the day. An unofficial avbetween \$24 and \$25, considerably arage of prices during the first hour's Unusually heavy offerings, which sale ranged from \$25 to \$26.

Burlington had the biggest open will take several days to clear, were ing of any opening day in local to-bacco market history, all observers generally agreed. Offerings crowding reported by several markets. A total of 139,694 pounds sold on the Winston-Salem market in the first warehouse floors this morning totallhour averaged \$25.64, officials aned 250,000 pounds, with prices averag

ing \$22 per hundred, although high Prices for the better grades showed a tendency to advance. Officials said medium grades went over \$25. Early sales at the Roxboro maralmost every type of leaf was offered ket indicated the leaf would bring

Winston-Salem Tobacco Board of Trade officials estimated more than 1,000,000 pounds of the weed would

higher than last year.

nounced.

p. m. Friday, September 30. The 160,-000 members of the brotherhood of railway trainmen were ordered to quit work at 12:01 a. m. Saturday. All of the nation's major railroads

> Government Broadcast Says Hitler Desires Brutally to Crush the Republic

Prague, Czechoslovakia, Sept. 27.-(AP)-The Czechoslovakian radio broadcast indignantly today that Adolf Hitler's demands showed a "brutal desire to crush Czechoslovakia as a free state."

(The broadcast was made at about the same time as the Czech legation in London disclosed officially that Frague refused to submit to Germany's demand for cession of Sudeten

land as stated in Hitler's memoran dum of September 23.)

"The form given by Hitler to his memorandum," the government sta-

tion announced, "is sufficient to show that it is not enough to make an agreement and maintain peace. One feels in Hitler's memorandum a brutal desire to crush Czechoslovakia as a

free state. "The memorandum demands an-

nexation to Germany of territory counting 3,736,000 inhabitants, of whom 2,823,000 speak German and 816.000 Czech. On the other hand, in the territory where Hitler demands a plebiscite, there are 1,116, Czechs and only 144,000 inhabitants who speak the German language.

"It results from this that Germany would incorporate 816,000 Czechs into Germany, and there would remain on-ly 102,000 Germans in Czechoslovakia. "The Hitler memorandum is directed against the economic existence of Czechoslovakia. As a result, Czechoslovakia would be deprieved of a great part of her forests, highways and rail-

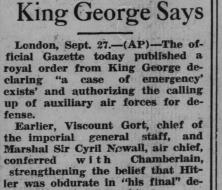
ways broke in two. "On the other hand, Czechoslovakia would lose depots on the Elbe river and water highways to Bratislava (border town at the junction of the German-Hungarian-Czech frontiers on the Danube.)

"Czechoslovakia would be so weakened in a military way that the greatest part of her territory, notably Bohemia and Moravia, would be at the

nercy of Germany." Popular resentment to Hitler's threat to act by next Saturday unless he received the Sudetenland mounted while Czechoslovakia marked time waiting the outcome of renewed British-French efforts to solve the dispute peacefully.



FOR NORTH CAROLINA Generally fair tonight and Wed-nesday; somewhat cooler in northst and extreme north portions Wednesday.



Emergency Exists,

mands on Czechoslovakia. words: Americans In **Europe Look Toward Home**

London, Sept. 27 .- (AP)-A peaceful army of Americans—business men tourists, naturalized immigrants, just ordinary Americans-looked homeward longingly today from all over Europe. Most of them set out to do something about it. They wanted no truck with the war clouds hanging over the German-Czech border. From the British Isles, France,

Italy, Germany, European Russia and intermediate points came applications for return passages to the Unit-ed States. Steamship agencies were

Three Durham Men Plead Guilty Upon Liquor Hearings

Durham, Sept. 27.— (AP) —Three Durham men, Leroy Medlin, Aubrey Goss and Felton Poe, pleaded guilty in Federal court here today to charges of conspiracy to defraud the United States government of liquor taxes. Nine Beaufort county defendants in the alleged "million dollar ring" case

entered pleas of "not guilty." Trial of the case opened following denial by Judge Johnson Hayes of a defense motion that the indictments be quashed on the ground that the indictments were returned in Greensboro, in the middle district, while the alleged blockading occurred in Beau-fort county, in the eastern district, and, further, that two indictments were brought for the same offense.

Seeks To Show How German Peoples Were Mistreated in Versail-World War; Appeals to President's Understanding.

Berlin, Sept. 27.-(AP)-Reichfuehrer Adolf Hitler carefully marshaled Germany's whole case today in an unusually long communication replyfor peace. He ended with these

"It is now solely in the hands of the Czechoslovak government, and not in the hands of the German government, war.' Hitler appealed to the President's

understanding. "I have the conviction" he wrote that if you visualize the entire development of the Sudeten German prob-

lem from its beginnings until the present day, you will realize that the German government certainly was not wanting in patience or a sincere will to peaceful understanding."

(In London Prime Minister Chamberlain announced he would make a

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speak for Hitler, some commentators intimated that they thought Chamber-lain's offer pointed a way out of the impasse. They felt, if both Hitler and President Benes of Czechoslovakia ac-cepted this British guarantee there would be no necessity for Germany to seize the Sudetenland next Saturday

by force of arms. Mistreated in Versail-les Treaty Ending Responsible German sources, how-ever, made no secret of their displeas-ure at the British, French, Russian stand supporting Czechoslovakia,



Washington, Sept. 27.—(AP)—Two American warships sped toward Eu-rope today for possible service in reto decide whether it desires peace or turning refugees or other duty in the

event of war. The Navy said the cruiser Savannah which sailed Saturday from Philadelphia, and the destroyer Somers, which left Norfolk the same day, would

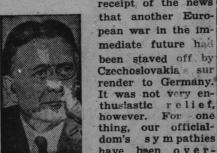
proceed to British ports. They were said officially merely to be on "routine duty."

Already at Portsmouth, England, is the cruiser Honolulu, and in the Mediterranean is the cruiser Omaha and the cruisers Claxton and Manly. The new cruiser Nashville is enroute home from a training cruise to European ports.

Borah Warns U. S. Against Involvement In Europe; Duce May Not Aid Hitler

By CHARLES P. STEWART **Central Press Columnist** Washington, Sept. 27 .-- Of course

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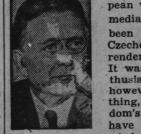
slovak. Not that Borah

there has been any sentiment in favor of American intervention in the sit-

uation-emphatically to the contrary. As we know, our government has shied violently away from London's and Paris' hints that they would apofficial Washington drew a long preciate some sort of a pro-peace ex-breath of relief the other day upon pression by President Roosevelt or Secretary of State Hull-not to menthat another Euro-pean war in the im-stop Hitler. Senator William E. Borah mediate future had generally is recognized as having said been staved off by a mouthful when he remarked that Czechoslovakia sur the Old World's game is to engage

render to Germany. It was not very en-thusiastic relief, however. For one thing, our official-dom's sympathies have been over- in connection with the Czechoslovak whelmingly Czecho- crisis.

Czechoslovakia was a creation of (Continued on Page Four.)





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