

LEWIS OFFERS TO GET OUT IF GREEN WILL

Witness Declares Bankers Seeking Cut In Rail Wages

Brotherhood Economist Declares Investment Bankers Want Cut in Order to Dominate and Hold Roads Under Their Control

Washington, Oct. 15.—(AP)—A Railroad Labor witness charged today the demand for a 15 per cent wage cut came from "a small inner group of so-called investment bankers, symbolized and dominated by the private banking house of J. P. Morgan & Company."

Sent Duce a Cable



Pictured, is Supreme Court Justice Salvatore A. Cotillo (above) of New York, who cabled Premier Mussolini that the Italian decrees curbing Jewish rights in Italy may have serious repercussions in America.

W. J. Lauck, economist for Railroad Brotherhood, urged President Roosevelt's emergency fact finding board to look into the financial condition of railroads before deciding on wage reduction against the 1,000,000 workers who have voted a protest strike.

"There is an emergency but not from the public or employees standpoint," he said, "it is an emergency for the private banking houses which have controlled the railroads, and which do not wish to be ousted from such control in the future."

J. Carter Fort, chief railroad counsel, urged the board to take action on the grounds that "the making of an argument unsupported by any facts."

Chief Justice Walter Stacy, of the North Carolina State Supreme Court, chairman of the board, allowed the labor witness to continue his state, saying it would be accepted for what it is worth.

Other developments: A civil service commission said it would receive until close of business on November 1, applications for post-mastership in Wilson, N. C.

Davidson Wins \$750 Prize At N. C. State Fair

Raleigh, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Davidson county's exhibit won the "county progress" competition at the State Fair today. They were awarded a \$750 prize.

Negro Gets Away From Road Gang

Sligo, Oct. 11.—(AP)—J. M. Toler and two guards set bloodhounds on the track of John Sanderlin, 40-year-old Negro, who escaped from a road gang near here this morning at 8 o'clock.

Power Ruling May Be Bar To Judge Stacy

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Oct. 11.—The North Carolina Supreme Court's decision in the High Point power case is likely to prove quite a stumbling block to any hopes or chances of Chief Justice Walter P. Stacy for elevation to the United States Supreme Court.

2 Mothers, 9 Children Die In Fire

Many Homes Destroyed as Forest Fire Sweeps Through Canadian Timberlands; Search for Victims Continues

Fort Frances, Oct. 11.—(Canadian Press)—The bodies of two mothers and nine young children, victims of a forest fire which swept through Dance township yesterday, were brought today to Fort Frances by Ontario provincial police.

All the victims were believed to belong to the families of Noah and Bill La Belle, brothers, who had settled in the sparsely populated area through which fires raged yesterday, destroying thousands of acres of fine timber on a front of 50 miles.

Constable David Hamilton told how searchers found the charred bodies. The two mothers had died with their bodies stretched across their smallest children in vain attempt to save them.

"Many homes of families were burned, but we do not know whether they were other victims, and will not have definite information until our men return," said Hamilton. Police were still searching the countryside for possible victims.

Hamilton said the fire had been eating slowly through the timber country 50 miles northwest of here for two weeks. Yesterday, fresh winds drove them toward this town, on the Minnesota border, and at one time, they were in a mile of Fort Frances.

Coast Guard Airport Site Bonds Sold

Raleigh, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The Local Government Commission sold \$50,000 airport bonds today, \$25,000 for Elizabeth City and \$25,000 for Pasquotank county, with the proceeds to be used for buying a site for the Coast Guard Air Base. A \$10,000 four months revenue anticipation note of the town of Marion was sold the National Bank of Wilson, with a premium of \$83 with interest at four percent.

Citizens At High Marks In War Test

Observers Detect "Invading" Planes from Coast at Very High Altitudes

Fort Bragg, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The ability of untrained civilians to spot invading airplanes at the maximum altitudes is being tested today over Eastern North Carolina as a part of the anti-aircraft warning net exercises which may begin a new epoch in national defense.

For the last 24 hours, some 2,000 volunteer civilian observers, among them 500 women, have been on the alert as problems of increasing difficulty have been given them.

During the first exercises, long before dawn yesterday, the invading "black" planes came in from Langley Field, Va., at accommodatingly low altitudes, except for one flight, so the voluntary observers could spot them. Groggy with sleep, those doctors, lawyers, farmers and coast guardsmen turned out at 3:30 a. m. to flash the progress of the 33 attacking planes during their four-hour maneuvers against Fort Bragg.

This was intended as a test of the operation of the volunteer net. Today, however, in the first daylight attack, giant "black" four engine B-17 flying fortresses and Martin bombers roared across the Atlantic coast line at their maximum ceilings, more than 22,000 feet, for the Boeings. At this altitude, the craft were expected to be invisible except with the aid of glasses and virtually inaudible.

A low flying attack was planned to follow the bombers to distract the observers and shield the bombers from anti-aircraft batteries with a smoke screen. First reports indicated the volunteer observers were experiencing little difficulty detecting the planes at high altitude.

Attempt Is Made On Life Of Official

Jerusalem, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Four bombs were thrown from the old city ramparts of Jerusalem at a convoy of official motor cars in what was believed to be an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Edward Keith-Roth, British district commissioner in Jerusalem.

Two of the bombs exploded on the Jericho road, but none of the four cars were hit. Keith-Roth's car was accompanied by two military escort automobiles and a police armored car.

Keith-Roth, 53, has been commissioner for the Jerusalem district since 1931. Meanwhile, unchecked violence raged throughout the Holy Land in the face of a British military campaign to quell Jewish-Arab disorders over rival claims to Palestine as a homeland.

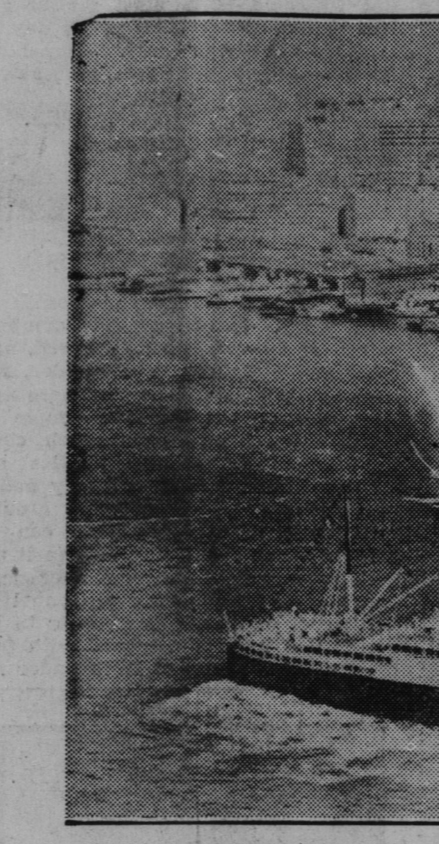
Big concentrations of Arab zealots inflicted widespread damage and loss of life in the southern district. In the northern district troops seized 52 Arabs on suspicion they were connected with trouble making bands. A Jew was shot and seriously wounded in Jerusalem. Later an Arab was found slain.

The Arab death toll in a battle with troops at Beisan valley reached 15, 20 other single instances of killings, sabotage, arson, robbery, knifing and land-fighting were reported in the last 24 hours with the death toll at five.

Patrol Issue Might Cause Real Battle

Raleigh, Oct. 11.—Tucked away in the recommendation for establishment of a State Department of Justice there is listed at least one matter likely to become a lively legislative issue if it gets into the 1939 General Assembly—transfer of the highway patrol to the proposed Department of Justice. The gentlemen who studied the Department of Justice program no doubt can cite numerous reasons why the patrol should be under the law-enforcing department, rather than under the revenue collecting, but when it comes down to the practical matter of getting it there, political toes are going to be stepped on and there is going to be a real battle.

First of "Good Neighbor Fleet" Sails



The liner Brazil sails from New York to inaugurate the government-owned American Republic Line's "Good Neighbor Fleet" service to the east coast of South America. A fireboat salutes the liner as she steams down the Hudson. Members of an official government good-will mission sailed to carry greetings of the United States to Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina.

Strachey Is Denied Right To Land Here

New York, Oct. 11.—(AP)—John Strachey, British leftist, today was ordered excluded from the United States.

The order, issued by a special board of inquiry of the immigration authorities at Ellis Island, classed the lecturer and author, as "a non-immigrant not in possession of proper viased passport."

Strachey arrived yesterday on the liner Normandie and promptly was taken into custody by immigration officials. The officials had been notified by the State Department that the former British Parliament member's visa had been cancelled a few hours before the Normandie sailed.

Strachey spent the night aboard the Normandie. Today he was taken to Ellis Island for the board's hearing. And then he was given a sitting room bed room and bath to occupy until he is deported or when he appeals to the Secretary of Labor, his only recourse, now only open to him.

DR. HENRY LILLY, OF FAYETTEVILLE, DIES

Fayetteville, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Dr. Henry Walter Lilly, 82, for years a leading banker and manufacturer of Cumberland county, died early this morning. He leaves his widow and five children.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

BAND DIRECTOR AT ERWIN PASSES AWAY

Erwin, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Captain Arthur L. Whitely, 78, director of the Erwin concert band for more than 20 years, died at his home this morning after a long illness. In recent years, Captain Whitely, a native of Philadelphia, had directed his band from a wheel chair. He suffered a paralytic stroke some years ago.

He once played with the band of the late John Philip Sousa. Funeral services were planned for Wednesday.

Election Row Has Come To Anger Stage

Raleigh, Oct. 11.—All pretense of gentility has been dropped in the embittered Burgin-Deane election contest and from now on there will be no Marquis of Queensberry rules. Hitting in the legal clinches will be an accepted thing and it will be a miracle if somebody doesn't get a political eye gouged out before the end.

Action of Burgin counsel in attacking the State Board of Elections as arbitrary and partisan in its conduct of its investigation in Davidson county brought quick reprisal from the board's chairman, who is filing affidavits in the case outlining just what steps he took, with whom he conferred and what efforts have been made to keep the probe from absolutely blowing the lid off to the detriment of the Democratic party. Mr. Lucas and at least three other

Hungarian Troops Occupy Border Town Taken From Czechs

Ipolysag, on the Czech-Hungarian border, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Hungarian troops occupied this Czech border town at 1 p. m. today in the first actual transfer of territory in Hungary's drive to regain part of the land she lost to Czechoslovakia after the World War.

More than 4,000 residents of this town, 50 miles north of Budapest, sang, danced and kissed the incoming Hungarian soldiers, whom they welcomed in the name of the approximately 1,000,000 Hungarians in territory Budapest is demanding from the dismembered Czech state.

Military bands played fiery Hungarian music. The day was celebrated as a Hungarian national holiday, and acclaimed as ending 20 years of mourning for Hungarians in Czechoslovakia.

Chamberlain To Be Judged By The Future

London, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The Czechoslovak legation said tonight it had received word from former President Edouard Benes that he had not accepted and had not yet considered an invitation to be the Scottish Nationalist candidate for rector of Glasgow University.

This followed an announcement by Scottish nationalists to a mixed student's meeting at Glasgow that Benes had agreed to stand for the rectorship. Apparently an honorary post, and the election is set for October 27.

Posters were put up reading "vote for Benes, the man who saved the World." Glasgow announcements said Benes' acceptance had been received by a close friend of the former president in London. But the legation spokes-

Von Cramm, Tennis Player, Released At German Prison

Berlin, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The ministry of justice announced today that Baron Gottfried von Cramm, Germany's great tennis player, would be released on parole October 16, with suspension for two years of the remainder of his one year prison sentence. It was explained that good conduct was responsible for opening prison doors to von Cramm about six months ahead of time. The ministry said that during the two years of suspension of sentence he must prove worthy of this show of mercy.

Japanese Nearing Chinese Military Center At Hankow

Shanghai, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Artillery thunder echoed through the Yangtze valley today as Chinese and Japanese engaged in a bitter duel for hills around Yangsin, key point of southern Hupeh province plains protecting Hankow. The Japanese reported their forces were closing in on the wartime capital of China from other directions. Foreign military attaches estimated the Chinese have had 1,150,000 casualties and the Japanese 350,000 in more than 15 months of warfare.

CIO Leader Challenges Head Of AFL

Lewis Makes Proposal in Interest, He Says, of Peace in Ranks of American Labor; Thinks Plan Is Worth Trying If Ends Are Achieved

Washington, Oct. 11.—(AP)—John L. Lewis offered today to resign as chairman of the CIO if William Green would resign as president of the American Federation of Labor to pave the way for peace between the two organizations.

Lewis told newsmen that the suggestion from the federation's Houston convention that Lewis withdraw from the CIO was "manifestly not a unilateral problem."

"Obviously, it's bilateral," Lewis said, "and the same suggestion would apply to Mr. Green, whose recent ferocity seems to know no bounds. 'In any event, I think it worth trying. I advise I am willing to resign today or tomorrow, or any day thereafter, as chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization if Mr. Green will simultaneously resign as president of the American Federation of Labor. It then may be possible for the remaining leaders of the federation of labor and the CIO to conclude a peace pact, in which even the contribution by Mr. Green and myself may be of some value.'"

REPORTS AND DEBATES AT A. F. L. MEETING CONTINUING. Houston, Texas, Oct. 11.—(AP)—American Federation of Labor convention delegates returned today to the scene of yesterday's tumultuous debate over John Lewis' CIO and labor peace to begin gringing out the remainder of their legislative and industrial program.

The resolutions committee indicated it was ready to report on suggested

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Lindberghs Silent Over Soviet Blast

Berlin, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh arrived at Tempelhof airport at 8:02 p. m., today on their way from Paris, after stopping at Rotterdam, where they spent the night. They came to attend the convention of the Lillenthal Society for Aerial Research opening tomorrow.

"I have nothing to say now," Lindbergh replied when asked for a statement on the letter published by eleven leading Soviet airmen, charging him with belittling the Russian air force and thereby indirectly encouraging surrender to Adolf Hitler's demands on Czechoslovakia. Lindbergh is not scheduled to speak to the Lillenthal society, but tonight he is to dine at the Neues Palais at Potsdam, once the residence of Kaiser Wilhelm II, as guest of the society.

Spain Sees Fighting On Large Scale

Second Offensive by Government Militiamen Make Gains Against Insurgents

Mendaye, France, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The heaviest fighting in weeks in Spain's civil war raged today on the Ebro river front, where government dispatches said a second offensive by government militiamen had resulted in capture of the strategic Pandols mountains and threatened Gandesa itself. The battle began late yesterday, when government troops, who had been holding their lines against a series of local attacks, launched a carefully planned offensive.

Wave after wave of militiamen, protected by heavy artillery fire, swept

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer in south-east portion tonight.