Hagerstown

Police Wire

For Details

Request Made For

Type of Dental Work

and Data Is Being For-

warded to Maryland

City; Information

Rather Vague so Far

Fleeing Oil Inferno



A blast of fire and smoke, a deep roar, and another tank of the Cities Service refinery, at Linden, N. J., explodes, in the fire that destroyed millions of gallons of oil. The heat and noise of the inferno could be heard in Linden, a mile away. Note the men in the foreground fleeing towards safety.

Supreme Court Is Asked To Compel Judge Harris

Sales Tax Issue Rises On 2 Fronts

Fair Tax Association by State; Food Dealers Seek Exemptions

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Oct. 14.—The sales tax is sue, quieter of late than a Czech cheering for Hitler, flared on two fronts here in the last day or two as Paul Leonard, driving force of the Fair Tax Association, loosed a blistering attack on what he termed "racketeering" methods used by Department of Revenue auditors, and the board of directors of the North Carolina Food Dealers Association met to launch a vigorous drive for exemption from the levy of all foods and fuels for home consumption.
"Letters which come to my desk

every week and conversations I have

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Grand Jury Will Probe La. Lynching

Ruston, La., Oct. 14.—(AP)—District Judge E. L. Walker said today he would call a special session of the Lincoln parish grand jury next Monday or Tuesday to investigate the lynching yesterday of R. C. Williams. 19-year-old Negro. A mob of several hundred men caught the Negro, marched him to the spot where they said he killed R. M. Blair, 30, Jonesboro paper mill foreman, Tuesday, and slugged his woman companion, and hanged him from a tree before

riddling his body with bullets. Blair and his woman companion, a Ruston waitress, were beaten as they sat in a parked car on a road three

miles east of here. It was the second such case in three months. In the first the man suffered a crushed skull and the woman was criminally attacked. The mob caught Williams as he hid in his grandmother's home,

State Elections Board Seeks Mandamus on Superior Court Jurist for Order To Put C. B. Deane on Congressional Ballot in Eighth

preme Court today in a rare legal sten to grant it a mandamus forcing Judge W. C. Harris in Wake Superior Court to permit the board to certify C. B. Charges Racketeering Deane, of Rockingham, as the Dem ocratic congressional nominee for the eighth district. The motion was filed with the court by Attorney General Harry McMullan, and copies were served on J. C. B. Ehringhaus, chief of counsel for W. O. Burgin, of Lexington, who also claims the nomina tion. Ehringhaus said he had not had

time to read the papers. Clerk Edward Murray, of the court, said he did not expect the motion to be considered before Tuesday.

The request to the high court asks that Judge Harris be required to permit the certification of Deane in accordance with an opinion of the Supreme Court, which remanded the case to Judge Harris to await final returns of the July 2 second primary from Davidson and Richmond cour ties. Judge Harris announced in Wake Superior Court he probably would order a jury trial of the matter, due

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Corn Yield Less; Tobacco Up Slightly

Raleigh, Oct. 14.-(AP)-The Federal and State Crop Reporting Services forecast today that North Carolina's corn crop would be 43,478,000 bushels, based on conditions October 1, which would be four percent below the 1937 yield.

An increase in tobacco yield, as com An increase in tobacco yield, as com-pared to the September 1 forecast, was noted. A total production of 548,890,000 pounds was figured on Oc-tober 1 conditions, 3.6 percent up from September, but down eight percent

from last year.

The Old Belt is reporting a yield of 820 pounds an acre, 20 pounds up from last year, for a record per-acr production, and a belt total of 204,-180,000 pounds. In the burley belt, per-acre production this month was figured at 950 pounds, 50 pounds up from September 1 forecast.

Czech Chief Tells Hitler His Nation Will Now Be Loyal

Wind, Rain Sweeps Florida Peninsula

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 14.-Rain and near gales swept the south Florida peninsula today while a tropical storm of moderate intensity moved slowly across the lower part of the state from the Gulf of Mexico.

ing the storm was not a hurricane, said the center of the disturbance was about 180 miles north north-west of Key West at 9 a, m. "It has spread over a considerable area. with local squalls of from 40 to 48 miles an hour reported," the Weather Bureau advised. "The slow movement will cause squall weather to continue over south Florida waters today and tonight."

Murders By Arabs Won't Deter Jews

Jewish Agency At Jerusalem Voices Determination To Hold Country

Jerusalem, Oct. 14.— (AP) —The Jewish agency for Palestine replied to a warning by the Palestine Arab Defense Committee today with a declaration of further killings would not deter the Zionists movement. The Arab committee on Monday warned Jews "in Palestine and in other Arab and eastern nations" to expect grave trouble if the Zionist movement persisted in further emigration into Palestine.

A Jewish agency statement said: "We see a possibility of fruitful co-operation between Arabs and Jews in Raleigh, Oct. 14.—(AP)—The State

Rections Board asked the State of the Jewish people in the Holy

Land,"

gers would deflect the Jews from a of returning to Palestine, "which is dictated by historical necessity."

Climax Approaching. There was a widespread belief that a climax was fast approaching in the Palestine crisis, in which disorders in the last 12 weeks are unofficially estimated to have claimed 1,850 casualties including more than

DELEGATIONS AT SCHOOL MEETINGS

Raleigh, Oct. 14.—(AP)—A number of delegations appeared be-fore the State School Commission today, including groups asking for Negro schools at Winterville, in Pitt county, and Tabor City, in

This afternoon the commission was to consider requests to be made to the Advisory Budget Commission for operation of the schools for the 1939-41 biennium.

Inventor Of Popeye Dies; Work Goes On

Santa Monica, Cal., Oct. 14.—(AP) E. C. Segar, the house-painter, who became a cartoonist by taking a \$20 mail order course, left in death today a \$1,000,000 legacy of comic characters to amuse the world. The creator of "Thimble Theatre" a quaint comic strip printed daily by more than 500 newspapers, and "Popeye the Sailor," a movie cartoon with fans around the globe, died at his Thomas Martin, 6, all of Anderson home here last night after a long ill-

Since last January his condition had been so serious that he did little actual drawing. Recently, Segar underwent an operation for removal of the spleen. King Features announced today in New York that "Thimble Theatre" would be continued as a daily strip, just as "The Gumps" lived ed on after the death of Sidney Smith, the cartoon family's creator,

Hope Expressed In Hungary That Differences With Czechs Over Cession of Lands Can Be Settled; Hungary Prepares Mobilization In Mean-

Berlin, Oct. 14.—(AP)—Adolf Hitter received former Premier K. Daranyui of Hungary, at the Mun.ch Fuehrerhaus today in a

Mun.ch Fuehrerhaus today in a conference the purpose of which was described as "an interchange of views on Hungarian racial groups in Czechoslovakia."

The Hungarian statesman was accompanied by A. Mecesser, a Hungarian Nazi leader, and others The group arrived in Munich after a quick flight from the Hungarian capital.

Budapest, Hungary, Oct. 14.—
()—Diplomatic circles reported today that Hungary had postponed scheduled mobilization of her army at the request of "great foreign pewers," especially Germany, "in the interest of European peace."

Reliable sources said a Hungarian delegation left by airplane at noon for Berlin at Adolf Hitler's invitation to discuss minimum territorial demands Hungary might make on Czechoslovakia. The mobilization was said to have been scheduled for 11 a. m. today.

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Munich, Germany, Oct. 14.—(AP)-An official German announcement said today that F. Chvalkovsky forcign minister of Czechoslovakia, had given Reichfuehrer Hitler assurances that Czechoslovakia in the future will adopt "a loyal attitude" toward Germany.

The announcement came some two hours after Hitler had received the as mo toric Munich conference, which two weeks ago set the seal on Czechoslovakia's dismemberment at Hitler's be-

The official account of the meeting said Hitler had expressed profound regret that the question of Czechoslovakia's Hungarian minority had not been solved yet, and had told the envoy that he hoped an amicable solu-tion of this problem soon would be

Informed circles said Hitler, in his 90-minute conversation with the Prague envoy, "took occasion to discuss all questions involving both

To envoy planned to leave Munich for Prague this afternoon.

The Komarom conference, in which Hungary sought from a Slovak delegation representing Prague satisfaction of her demands for Hungarianpopulated areas of Slovakia, broke un yesterday without agreement, and Hungary announced she would take her case to the four powers of the

SLOVAK PREMIER HOPING FOR AMICABLE AGREEMENT

Komarom, Hungary, Oct. 14.—(AP) -While military activity was intensified along the Czechoslovak-Hungarian border today, Dr. Josef Tiso, premier of the new Slovak autono

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Manufacturer **Escapes Trial** Manslaughter

Hendersonville, Oct. 14.—(AP) a motion to non-suit manslaughter aviation code, is of Chicago and the charges against Walter S. Montgom-ery, Spartanburg, S. C., textile manufacturer, in the drowning of three persons in Lake Summitt, in 1936.

Earlier, Montgomery testified, his attention was called to the crowded condition of the craft shortly before the tragedy. The State had charged that Montgomery's boat caused waves that splashed into a smaller vessel which sank, drowning Fate Black, Sr., 50; Fate Black, Jr., 10, and

Montgomery said he recalled seeing a smaller boat occupied by seven persons after a passenger on his launch called his attention to it.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair in the interior and unset-tled on the coast tonight and Sat-urday; possibly light showers on south coast tonight. Body Believed Fo und In West Virginia



400,000WomenAnd and Al. B. Wester, for many years business partner of McCoin's, immediately went into conference with Dr. I. H. Hoyle, Henderson dentist, to obtain the information sought so to obtain the information sought so to Children Are To Be obtain the information sought, so to supply it in as much detail as possible. There was also some possibility that the two might make a hurried trip to Hagerstown to view the body Moved From Canton

Hong Kong, Oct. 14.-(AP)-Pre- Incessant bombing and shelling left-

borders of this British crown colony. Canton.

parations were hurried today to send the captured place in ruins. The inparations were hurried today to send 400,000 women and children and the municipal and provincial governments into the interior from Canton as a new Japanese force of 40,000 moved closer to that south China metropolis.

The invading army captured a point work of the captured place in ruins. The invaders drove relentlessly toward the important garrison city of Waichow, 82 miles east of Canton. Chinese resistance improved as the Japanese columns moved steadily inland, but the invaders' airplanes and artillery were being used with crushing force.

With the destruction of a long. The second message received by Chief Langston today read as follows:

"Reported December 28, 1932, that Rufus S. McCoin, former senator, was missing. Notify at once if this man or body located." The invading army captured a point With the destruction of a long 12 miles from Bias Bay, where it wooden bridge about 15 miles north anded Wednesday, and was reported of Hong Kong, Canton was cut off striking due west in a 20-mile drive completely, except for the highway toto cut the important Canton-Kowloon ward Waichow, and a water route to railway at a point 20 miles from the a Portuguese colony 70 miles south of

10. With Cotton

Washington, Oct. 14.—(AP)—Presi-

making an entirely new study of the nation's national defense needs, and

that until it was completed he could

The President told a press confer

ence he could not comment on the

new budget because new technical developments in national defense meas-

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Assault, Murder

Fort Wayne, Ind., Oct. 14.—(AP)-

Detective Captain John Taylor said

early today A. H. Miller, 32, had con-

fessed the sex-slaying of Alice May

where the girl's nude and ravished

lody was found early yesterday, her own bloomers staffed down her

throat to strangle her.
Captain Taylor said Miller told him
he waited until he heard-Howard Zim-

mermann, 18, of Riga, Mich., leave

Fort Wayne Girl

Man Confesses To

not estimate next year's budget.

Jury Seated 1940 Budget For Trial Of Depends On "Spy Rings" Needed Cost

One of Four Defendants in New York Admits Guilt, Turns Government Witness

New York, Oct. 14.-(AP)- A jury of ten men and two women was chosen in an hour and a half today for the Federal government's trial of three persons accused of being members of a spy ring which sold United States military secrets to a foreign gov-

The jury was chosen after G. G. Rumrich, former United States Army sergeant, a fourth defendant, had unexpectedly changed his plea from innocent to guilty. Federal Judge John Knox deferred sentence until after the trial. Rum-

rich will testify for the government he said. Rumrich is alleged by the ludge J. Will Pless, Jr., granted today government to have stolen a military son of German parents. He descrited from the army in 1935.

Court room observers, who had ex pected a protracted wrangle over the selection of jurors, were surprised by the swiftness with which the jury and two alternates were picked. Defense challenges far outnumbered those of the government. At the request of United States At-

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TARBORO MAN DIES IN CRASH OF AUTO

Tarboro, Oct. 14.-(AP)-A. L Jeffreys, 22, chef for a mobile State highway camp, was killed last night in an automobile accident near here. in an automobile accident near here. the girl's room, and then went and The funeral will be held Sunday at knocked on the door. He quoted Mill-Fremont at the family cemetery.

Jeffreys was riding alone when his car apparently got out of control and crashed into an embankment.

The body of R. S. McCoin, former State Senator and for many years a prominent Henderson attorney and business man, who mysteriously disappeared from his home here three days before Christmas. 1932, is believed to have been found near Hagerstown, Md., according to a telegram received here this afternoon from Chief of Police Carl H. McCleary, of that city, by Chief J. H. Langston of Henderson.

A telegraphic inquiry was received from Hagerstown for information per-taining to the dental work in the missing man's mouth. Chief Langston and Al. B. Wester, for many years

reportedly found there.

The Hagerstown chief wired Chief The Hagerstown chief wired Chief Longston during the forenoon today to know if McCoin had ever been located, and the chief wired back in the negative. Then late this afternoon came the second message that the body was believed found some 22 miles west of Hagerstown, near Martinghurg. W. Va.

The second message, replying to one from Chief Langston, said:

"Body of McCoin believed to have been located. Advise by Western Union what you can about his dental work so as to aid as in our investiga tion. You will be notified of any do velopments."

Dr. Hoyle furnished a detailed de-scription of McCoin's dental work, and this is being forwarded by mail to Hagerstown authorities. No further developments are looked for until that is received. Chief Langston said he gained from a telephone conversation with Hagerstown authorities the idea that a skeleton had been found near Martinsburg, W. Va., and that detec-

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Attacks On Information As To World Conditions May Fort Halted Create New Emergency: Tobacco Referendum for 1939 Ten-By Civilians tatively Set for Dec.

Warning Net Works So Fine High Army Officers Are Surprisingly Pleased

Fort Bragg, Oct. 14.—(AP)—A civilian warning net, functioning with military precision after four days and nights of exercises, today enabled pur-suit squadrons defending this base to intercept two bombardment flights attacking from the Atlantic Ocean.

The ability of such a civilian setup to provide information sufficient to permit accurate interception of bombardment missions is regarded by high officers as one of the most important developments of a week of air defense exercises here.

Absence of clouds interfered somewhat with today's problem, which had originally been planned on a basis of Girton, 17, pretty brunette business carlier forecasts to test the ability of college student. Miller lived in the same rooming house as Miss Girton, suit aviation with information which would enable it to intercept bombers would enable it to intercept behind trying to find concealment behind

clouds.

A display of field artillery equipment had been ordered for this afternoon with the second battalion, fourth field artillery, exhibiting the new 75-mm. packed howitzer, developed especially for mountainous terrain. This weapon is said to have an accurate range of 9,000 yards.

The 83rd field artillery, the 17th field artillery and the 36th field artillery also will exhibit guns.

tillery also will exhibit guns.