J. S. REJECTS GERMAN PROTEST ON ICKI

He Smacked the Mayor



Bruised, James F. Hagan, unemployed, is pictured after his attack on Mayor LaGuardia on the steps of New York's City Hall. LaGuardia was returning from a ceremony when the assailant leaped on his back and began pummelling him. The mayor promptly swung back. The attacker was knocked unconscious by John Walsh, LaGuardia's secretary.

(Central Press)

Eight Resolutions For Business Given For 1939 By Babson

Wagner Act Must Be Made Fair to Business, Taxes Reduced, Social Security Put on "Payas-You-Go" Basis; Thinks Greater Defenses Necessary

ROGER BABSON'S EIGHT RESOLUTIONS FOR 1939 1. LABOR: Resolved, that the Wagner act be amended to give

employer and worker equal protection. 2. TAXES: Resolved, that the tax laws be changed to encourage

initiative and to penalize "riskless" investing.

3. SOCIAL SECURITY: Resolved, that the social security act be put on a pay-as-you-go basis.

4. RAILROADS: Resolved, that the railroads be given a free

hand to get back on their own feet. 5. UTILITIES: Resolved, that the TVA play fair and deal

justly in its great undertaking. 6. CONGRESS: Resolved, that "reform legislation" be shelved

for 1938 at least. 7. DEFENSE: Resolved, that armaments be expanded without

forgetting that peace comes only as the causes of war are

8. RELIGION: Resolved, that the Christmas spirit be extended and applied throughout 1939

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Financial Bureau, Inc. Brunswick, Georgia, Dec. 22.—Few Christmas Season people this week-end are thinking problems facing our country today. year ago Rather, let me give readers two cheerful facts about current business as an

introduction to eight resolutions for

the coming year. The two cheerful facts concern the activity and trend of business at this

1. ACTIVITY. General business is about their jobs, professions, or busi- today 18 per cent better than it was ness. For two or three brief days the last Christmas. Early reports show thoughts and cares of this troubled that holiday trade has practically world are being forgotten. I have equalled last season's big retail volintention of breaking into these ume. Nearly every manufacturing inhallowed hours by emphasizing the dustry is now busier than it was a

2. TREND: Last year, general busi-

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Girl's Slayer Is Hunted In Pennyslvania

Tunkhannock, Pa., Dec. 22.—(AP)-Half a hundred state troopers were tempted to conceal her nude, battered son & Robbins white."

Investigators expressed belief the slayer was either a sex maniac, with home when his activities were disa cruel, distorted mind, or a roundup man for a white slave ring. Slashed and mutilated, the body of the brown-haired business school graduate was found yesterday in a burlap bag, partially submerged in three feet of water under an abandoned

A naked hand protruding from the crudely sewn sack caught the attention of a young trapper as he wandered along the stream setting traps. The discovery ended a search that had been made through all northeastern states since the girl left her home in Kingston last Saturday to keep a daylight street-corner appointment with a man who telephoned her an offer of a job.

Coroner Ray Greenwood said Miss Martin "definitely was murdered."

Suicide Note Of Musica Made Public

New York, Dec. 22.—(AP)-F. Donald Coster, born Philip Musica, said called into a search of this isolated in a suicide note made public today snow-covered countryside today for that "bankers, lawyers, auditors, apthe slayer who strangled attractive praisers and incompetent high sal-10 year-old Margaret Martin and at-

amazing swindler, who shot himself to death in his Connecticut

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JONATHAN DANIELS TO GET TVA OFFICE

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 22.—(AP) —A News-Sentinel dispatch from Washington today said President Rooseveltw as considering the appointment of Jonathan Daniel, of Raleigh, N. C., to the board of directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority. The paper said if the young southern author and newspaper editor were named he would fill the vacancy created by the President's ousting of Chairman E. A. Morgan last March for "con-

Champerlain Foe Beaten In Voting

Crieff, Scotiand, Dec. 22.—(AP)

—The Duchess of Athol, who rebelied against Prime Minister Chamberlain's foreign policy, was beaten by 1,313 votes in the parliamentary by-election she forced to jest the issue, complete returns showed today.

The "red duchess", so-calle 1 because of her support of the Spanish government cause, in yesterday's voting received 10,495 votes to 11,808 fer William M. Snadden her conservative opponent, who compaigned as a hardy supporter of Chamberlain's policy of appeasement.

The wealthy duchers ran as an independent after resigning her seat in the House of Commons, in which she had represented a division for 15 years. Her conservative highland constituents turned against her after she had broken formally with the prime minister's pelicy after his Munich accord with the dictators for the partition fo Czechoslovakia.

Defense Of Americas In The Balance

Argentine Stands Firm Against "Military" Alliance, While Hull and Others Seek Way To Achieve Pan-American Unity at Lima Conference

Lima, Peru, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The issue of cooperative defense for the Americas hung in the balance today between a defiant Argentine declara tion thrown dramatically before the Pan-American Conference, and a sec-ond declaration to which the United States and most of the other coun-

U. S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull arrived early at the conference hall and conferred with Dr. Carlos Concha, of Peru, conference chairman, and A. M. Franco. Brazilian delegation chief, in an endeavor to break the deadlock.

Dr. I. N. Moreno, chairman of the Argentine delegation, and the three other leaders demanded official and exact information about the Argentine position in the light of a telegram he received yesterday from Buenos Ayres.

The new impasse developed when the Argentine delegation withdrew unofficial endorsement of the majority declaration and presented its own resolution upon instructions from its government. The Argentines held the majority draft to be, in effect, a mil-

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Two Army Fliers Burn To Death In Plane At Norfolk

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22.-(AP)-Two army fliers were instantly killed today when their pursuit plane crashed and burned near here. The two, Lieutenant Gale Ellis, of Beaver Falls, Pa., pilot, and Private Charles S. Downer, of Tarentum, Pa., were engaged

in routine training flight. Jeff J. Bean, an eye witness, said the plane dived straight in-to the earth from a height of about 00 feet. The motor apparently had cut off, he said, and the fliers made no attempt to get out in their parachutes. The plane immediately burst into flames after the crash.

Bean attempted to pull one of the fliers out of the wreckage, but was forced away by the flames. The bodies were removed later from the smoking wreckage by navy officials and taken to the naval hospital in Ports-



Japan To Back China In Plan To Ban Foreign Concessions

Premier Konoye Says Rights Is "Necessary" for Full Independence of China, Meaning Puppet Government Instigated by Tokyo

Tokyo, Dec. 22.--(AP)-Premier rince Konoye declared today that aran was prepared to help China bolish the foreign concessions and xtra-territoriality, the system of pecial privileges enjoyed by some oreigners in China for nearly a cen-

In a formal statement on the future f Japanese-Chinese relations, the ing. remier concluded:

"Japan not only respects the sovreignty of China, but is prepared to Ickes of seeking war, and said: ive positive consideration to the uestion of the abolition of extra-teritoriality of concessions and settlenents, matters which are necessary or the full independence of China." Dy China, the premier manifestly cferred to the state Japan already s announced she expects to emerge rom her current conquests, linked n a strong political, economic and cultural bloc with Japan and her protectorate, Manchoukuo. Such a state, under Japanese direction, is expected by Japanese leaders to replace

the Chinese government of General Chiang Kai-Shek, which now has its capital at Chungkiang. Konoye's statement was believed to embody decisions reached in November by the imperial conference, super-government organ for prosecution of the China war.

(The United States has no concessions in China, but American citizens participate in administration of the international settlement of Shang hai, and Americans enjoy extra-terriforiality, the right to be tried in their own courts if they run afoul of Chi-

Repeal For Absent Vote To Be Asked

Raleigh Hears State Elections Board To Make That Recommendation, Together With New Registration Request, and More **Precincts in State**

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Assembly was whipped into shape by the State Board of Elections at a lengthy meeting here yesterday; but just what shape the report has taken was not announced.

There was nothing to indicate, however, that the recommendations will not include the three main points anticipated by informed observers: (1) Repeal of the present absentee bal-lot law and substitution therefor of an entirely new law which will centralize responsibility for absentees in county election board chairmen; (2) a complete new registration for all coun ties of the State which have not had new recordings within two or three years; and (3) increase in the number of precincts, so that no more than 500 votes will regularly be cast at any one polling place.

There probably will be other minor recommendations, but the outstanding one will be the call for a clean

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Expedition Safe In Indian Ocean

Paris, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Messages from a lobster fishing expedition, which had been reported in distress because of storms and a coal shortage in the south Indian Ocean, disclosed today that all was well with the colony of 48 persons at isolated St. Paul's Island. The messages were relayed through Madagascar, 1,700 miles from St. Paul, from Captain H. de Boers, and showed that he remained in command of the expedition, which began last May when 33 persons set out from St. Malo, France, on a 580-ton trawler.

Abolition of Extra Germany Protests Ickes Speech About Dictators

Berlin, Dec. 22-(AP)-A strong request, attributed here to Ickes, that Secretary of the Interior Ickes at- German ships. tacking dictators was submitted to the acting secretary of state today by With Mail Bigs," the newspaper said: the German charge d'affaires in "This barking man will shoot Washington, it was learned today in foreign office circles. These quart-

Propaganda Minister Paul Geebbels' newspaper yesterday accused Mr. apparently has little unders and ng-

agitation, which is aimed at nothing else than war. Ickes is frankly the

day, this time in connection with a tions.

German protest over a speech by no American mais be shipped aboard

against Germany with mail bags! We are trembling! By the way, travelers ers said Germany regarded Ickes' from the United States gladly take st tement as "impudent and insult- German boats because of their cleanliness and reliability

"For both these facts, Herr Ickes but this is already known from the 'Instead of keeping order in his Coster-Musica (drug company) scan-own land, he conducts anti-German dal."

Secretary Ickes, speaking Sunday evil spirit presented in American pol- before the Zion'st Society in Cleveicy. If it is now represented in Wash land, said anti-Jewish violence in ington that Ickes spoke as a private Germany took Germany back to the person, we must ask, 'What shall we period of history "when man was unthink of a democracy in which a min-lettered, benighted and bestial." He ister never is in agreement with the criticized Americans, particularly Colonel Charles Lindbergh and Henry The paper continued the attacks to- Ford, for accepting German decora-

Bare Majority Of Seven Given Daladier On Test

Lands High Post



FRANK W. HANCOCK, JR.

Washington, Dec. 22.—(AP)—President Roosevelt announced today the appointment of Representative Frank Hancock, of North Carolina to the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. Hancock, a Democrat, was defeated this year by Senator Reynolds in the North Carolina primary senatorial race. As a member of the House Raleigh, Dec. 22.—Final draft of Banking Committee, he has been acrecommendations to the 1939 General tive in handling housing legislation at the capital.

LaFollette's Progressivism Gone For Good Tar Heel Seamen

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist
Washington, Dec. 22.—Politicians, getting back to Washington for the coming congressional session, seem to be in pretty gen-



eral agreement that course, will be out of office as governor of Wisconsin at class, Kinston, N. C. the year's end. Dispatches from Madison quote him as expressing confidence of staging a comeelection but most of list, Frank

trariwise. Senator Goldsboro, N. C. Bob holds on until the beginning of 1941. Can he win another term then? Plenty of authorities- express skep-

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FOR NORTH CTROLINA cool tonight; Friday increasing cloudiness, slightly warmer in the interior.

French Premier Just Makes Grade on Demand for Parliamenposals Under Three-Year Economic Plan

finances by decree received approval majority of seven votes in the Cham- the fact in the Peacock case.

The Chamber ratified, by a vote of 291 to 284, the inclusion in the 1939 appropriation bill of a section carrying implied approval of all the ing implied approval of all the decree laws issued under the new threeyear economic plan.

Daladier, who staked the life of his government on the vote, made little attempt to hide his opinion that the cabinet had barely squeezed out of a tight place. He declared, however, that he was optimistic over the formation of a "faithful majority" upon which he could depend.

As he left the Chamber, he told the deputies flatly that "if I had been overthrown, I would have demanded immediate dissolution" of Parliament. The new test of Daladier's strength,

the second since Parliament convened earlier this month, came unexpectedly when the premier demanded that the 1939 appropriation bill be passed un-

The opposition sought to cancel one of the government's decree laws included in the bill, imposing a two percent general tax on all incomes over 6,000 francs (\$156) a year.

Put On Lists For **Navy Promotions**

Washington, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Secretary Swanson has approved a naval examining board's report, placing for promotion to warrant officers prolifers. They included:

Qualified for promoting to warrant officers. They included: ed on appointment list, Luther L. Tyndall, rating signalman first

Qualified for carpenter and placed on appointment list, William E. Stewart, U. S. S. Whipple, rating shipsitter, first class, New Bern, N. C. Qualified for appointment as pharmacist and placed on appointment Phil LaFollette he guessing is con-Tucker, chief pharmacist's mate,

YOUNG DEMOCRATIC OFFICIALS CHOSEN

Winston-Salem, Dec. 22.—(AP)-Five North Carolina Young Democrats today were named the State formant called the "case of the dirty organization's 1939 finance committee shirt." by President Gordon Gray. Chairman of the group will be J. the baggage of Harold Goodman, Archie Cannon, Jr., of Greensboro. British vice consul at San Sebastian, Other members include Herbert W.

Taylor, Jr., of Tarboro.

Language To Dictator Is Very Strong

Welles Tells Envoy It Ill Becomes Germany To Protest Attack Here When German Press and Officials Have Assailed U.S. **Officials**

Washington, Dec. 22 .- (AF)-Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, disclosed today the United States had rejected Germany's demand for an official apology for Secretary Ickes' speech in Cleveland last Sunday attacking dictatorships.

Welles told Dr. Hans Thomsen, the German charge d'affaires, that the request came with singularly ill grace and impropriety from a government which had so persistently permitted its controlled press and officials to attack American leaders inc'uding Presidents Wilson and Roosevelt and present members of the cabinet.

The acting secretary of state advised Thomsen that Ickes' remarks represented the feeling of an overwhelming majority of the American people, who had been profoundly shocked by recent events in Germany. Welles statement to the German envoy was couched in strong and uncompromising terms, which the Unit-

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Fremont Man Is Held Guilty Of Attempted Rape

Smithfield, Dec. 22.-(AP)-Lynn Peacock, 40-year-old Fremont man, was convicted in Johnston Superior tary Approval of His court today of an assault on a female Sweeping Decree Pro- with intent to commit rape and was sentenced to 12 to 15 years in prison. The man originally was charged with the crime of rape, but the jury returned the verdict of attempt to commit rape. An eleven-year-old girl was the prosecuting witness.

True bills have been returned Paris, Dec. 22.—(AP) — Premier against Johnnie Bas, about 25, of Daladier's plan to reorganize French Fremont, and Emma Jones, about 30, of Selma, charging them with aidfor the second time today by the slim ing and abetting and accessory before

To Use Force **Upon France**

Rome, Dec. 22.-(AP)-Italy waited today for France to offer concessions after giving notice that the fascist government considers invalid the 1935 Mussolini-Laval convention concerning Tunisia.

The authoritative Fascist editor, Virginio Gayda, warned the French that Rome would "meet with equal arguments and equal force" France's "insidious fury" if France wanted to

The firm Italian stand considerably impressed diplomatic quarters, where it was felt Premier Mussolini

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Spy Hunt In Spain Nets A Thousand

Espionage Case May Affect Course of Spanish Civil War, Is Belief in London

London, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Official reports reaching London today assertthat "approximately one thousand" arrests had occurred in insurgent Spain in a great spy hunt, which authoritative persons here suggested might affect the entire course of the Spanish civil war. The arrests were the sequel of what the London in-

The shirt in question was found in

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