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ITALIANS LEAVING FRANCE BY THOUSANDS

Tornado Packs Hospital



Freak tornado sweeping through Bertie County, North Carolina, resulted in death to three persons and injuries to twenty-one, taxing facilities of small county hospital at Windsor. Some of the child victims were forced to lie on army cots (foreground), while it was necessary for others to double in beds (background). (Central Press)

Wages-Hour Vote Reform Facing Test Fight To Be Next Monday Very Bitter

Battle Over To Be Contested on Floor of Assembly When Considered

Daily Dispatch Bureau In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—Proposals to enact a North Carolina wage-hour law seem to be generating as much heat as any others before the General Assembly, and it isn't going a bit too far to say that one of this session's briskest battles is going to Rev. A. S. Anderson be fought around them.

There are two bills before the legislature, one of which has the nominal endorsement of the North Carolina Federation of Labor, the other concededly the utmost that the State Department of Labor thinks has even a remote chance of passage. The former follows almost to the period and paragraph the Federal statute. The other, in general, goes along those lines except in its treatment of "service and mercantile industries; for which a maximum 48 hour week and a minimum two-bit per hour wage are proposed. Employer groups hostile to the principles involved in the measures we already opened fire before Jim Volger's House Committee on Labor,

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Finance Members Block Railroading Money Bill

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. By LYNN NISBET

Feb. 25.—The budget assembly early next week, but the committee late yesterday afternoon declared with a chorus of loud Noes regarded as being vitally different that it is not going to hang a man in many respects. in his absence. A group led by Odus Mull, of Cleveland; Fitzhugh Wallace, of Lenoir, and Frank Taylor, of Wayne, sustained the old common lane, which is the sustained the old common lane, and the sustained the old common lane, and the sustained the old common lane, and the sustained the sustained the old common lane, and the sustained t day in court, when they voted down Bryant and the expressed wishes of House Chairman Bill Fenner that the "final" public hearing on the item. Remote possibility remains the amendment to the chain gaso- that the bill may be ready for reline station tax be considered imme-

Attorneys for the large oil companies protested upon the ground that the amendment had not been read until late Thursday, that they Raleigh, Feb. 25.—The budget read until late Thursday, that they may be theoretically balanced and the full joint finance committee may it, could not discuss it intelligently make its report to the floor of the until they had read it. Admittedly

a very brief morning session at 8:30 mon law right of a defendant to be B. B. (before breakfast) and the given a bill of particulars and his earliest chance for a hearing is Monday afternoon. Notice was givthe proposal of Durham's Victor en that the Monday session will be

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Recovery, Not Reform Is Sought For Business

Barkley Declares No Anti-Monopoly Legislation to Be Enacted by This Congress; Hopkins Gives Business Encouraging Note

Roosevelt administration endeavors to quiet business fears and encourage private investments gained image private investments gained image. Another statement from Secretary age private investments gained impetus from a statement today by Democratic Leader Barkley in the Senate that he had received word that no anti-monopoly legislation would be offered at this session of Congress.

Another statement from Secretary of Commerce Harry Hopkins in an address at Des Moines, Iowa, that, "With the emphasis shifted from reform to recovery, the administration is now endeavoring to promote that recovery with all the rights and the rights and the recovery with all the rights and the rights ar

Barkley reported his information from O'Hahoney, Democrat, Wyoming, of the special committee of legislators and government officials ap-

000 appropriated for it last year to continue its investigation.

tation of 5,500 planes for the army. This limit has been raised to 6,000

Washington, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The of several apparent indications that

that recovery with all the vigor and

pointed to investigate monopolies and Roosevelt has proposed for new war

other economic subjects.

The Senate leader added, however, the Senate would ask additional funds, probably as much as the \$500,-Barkley's announcement was one by the Senate Military Committee.

Roosevelt Urges Labor To Negotiate For Peace

Send Letters to John L. Lewis and William Green Asking Early Settlement of Differences; Lewis and Green Decline to Com-

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—Monday night's

session of the House will go a long way toward deciding whether or

give North Carolina some measure

By persistent effort and by a se-

finally reported out an election law

bill without any surface opposition

air at the very last moment.

discontent, prospects of a real

Come Monday, the entire mem-

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Passes Suddenly

Gastonia, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The Rev. Alden S. Anderson, 51, promi-

nent Presbyterian minister and pas-

Funeral services will be held in

will be in Lexington, Va.

While on Visit

of election law reform.

Miami, Fla., Feb. 25.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, in letters today to the heads of the country's rival labor organizations said "labor faces a challenge in finding itself divided into opposing camps," and called upon them to name a committee to negotiate peace.

In letters to John Lewis, chairman of the Congress Industrial Organization, and to William Green, presinot a whole raft of divergent views | dent of the A. F. of L., identical excan be reconciled sufficiently to cept for the prima paragraph, he declared the American people "sincerely hoped that constructive negotiation of peace with honor may come about between the CIO and AFL within the

ries of compromises and exchanges a House committee of 35 members early months of the new year."
"The secretary of labor," he ded to the letters made public at the temporary White House here, tells and close fight exaporating into thin me "that after careful investigation and prolonged conversations with prospective leaders in both groups, there appear to be no insurmountable obstacles to peace, and in fact, there is a real desire for unification in the labor movement for all parties concerned".

The President was still at sea

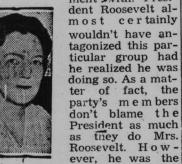
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PRISONER ESCAPES FROM PITT CAMP

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The penal division reported today the escape of John Comer, 20, from the tor of Baden church for the past 17 years, died suddenly of a heart at-Pitt county prison county. Prison records say the man was sentenced tack this morning while visiting in the home of his brother, Rev. Albert S. Anderson, Presbyterian minister in in Wake county in May 1937, from five to seven years for house break-Rev. Mr. Anderson was born at Ivey Depot, Va., near Charlottes-

FDR Angers Baden Sunday afternoon, and burial Woman Group By Meddling

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist Washington, Feb. 25. - The National Woman's Party is a bad outfit to get into an acrimonious argument with. Presi-

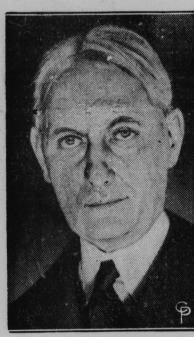


party's members don't blame the President as much as they do Mrs. Roosevelt. However, he was the one who committed the overt act, and whatever the con-

sequences may be, he'll have to take The Woman's National Party took

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Plan for Refugees



George Rublee

George Rublee, former head of the international refugee committee, arrives in New York en route to Washington to confer with Secretary Cordell Hull. He indicated the Committee hoped to arrange for 150,000 Jews to leave Germany in next five years.

Senate Off To Be The Guests of Wilmington

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The Sen ate in a five minute session passed five local bills and left early this morning for Wilmington to spend the week-end as guest of the city. The house, meeting briefly at 10 o'clock, received five new local bills. Among the measures passed by the senate and ordered acted into

House Bill 191:—to fix court terms in Currituck. House Bill 376: To authorize Washington county commissioners to provide for a retirement for Miss

Augusta Carstarian. Meantime, North Carolina, with her financial cupboard, still was unable to ascertain whether it contained a bone big enough for the more-ever-broadening spending.

As the week ended, the joint finance committee adjourned without most certainly acting on sub-committee program designed to raise all the \$1,876,000 needed to balance the budget.

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Rain tonight and Sunday slightly warmer in the east tonight and Sunday.

WEEKLY WEATHER. For South Atlantic States: Rain period the latter part and some likelihood of scattered showers over the north portion Tuesday or Wednesday. Temperatures average near normal, but changeable over north portion.

Electioneering a la Mexico



Not bullets but biscuits were the persuaders used by opponents of President Cardenas of Mexico as they staged this huge open-air lunch in Mexico City in preparation for approaching presidential election. Dinera heard Cardenas' social innovations condemned.

RFC Officials Confer Here On A. & N. C.

Raleigh, Feb. 25.-(AP)-Attorney General Harry McMullan and three representatives of the RFC conferred with Governor Hoey today on proposals to lease the State controlled Atlantic and North Carolina rail-

Hoey said the three RFC men had inspected the road and would report to Jesse Jones, RFC chairman.

The study was made, Hoey explained, the RFC was considering whether to attempt the propose lease of the road and whether to release about \$100,000 held in railroad bonds guarantee for Morehead City port

The railroad wants the bonds released in order to use the money to retire its debts.

the railroad division; T. A. Hamilton, examiner in that division and The C. M. Clay, assistant general coun-

There have been two proposals to

KINSTON WILL GET DIAL TELEPHONES

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Utilities Commissioner Stanley Winborne islina Telephone and Telegraph Company to install a dial telephone system in Kinston to replace the type

Fresh Attack Is Launched Against Jews quarters was due to one of two things: 1. Either Italy feared war with France would come through; 2. Or Italy wanted to "frighten the French" and it was preparing of back up colonial demands on France with action.

Will Be Forced to were returning home. Nazi to Pay Heavy the children born of Italians abroad).

Berlin, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Berlin police authorities today acted to speed immigration of Jews by serving no tice on the Jewish community that it must furnish the names of hund-The RFC representatives were reds of Jews who would be requir-John Barringer, chief examiner in ed to leave the country within two

The order takes effect Monday. Some new measures against the alleged enemies of the Nazi regime had been expected today following lease the A. and N. C., and the board a double barrel attack on "Germanof directors has passed a resolution saying it thought it best to lease the line.

a double barrer atdeed in the regime at home headed by Chancellor Hitler and Minister of Propaganda Goebbels.

Hitler spoke last night at a Munich rally of his "own guar!" for the 19th anniversary of the founding of the Gilb Nazi movements. Goebbels blast appeared in Italy's

newspapers. Both acknowledged sued an order empowering the Caro- Nazi opposition to Jews in Ger-Today's police notice provided

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Survey Reveals Public Wants The Chain Stores

Babson Gives Summary of Hundreds of Letters Written Him; Southwest Alone Is Slightly Against; South Six to Four for Them

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in business. This is the conclusion of from the Southwest. the majority of people who wrote to me in answer to my requst for readers' opinions. The score was: For peal to the housewives. Low prices that the housewives appeal to the wage-earners and white appear to the wage-earners and white of public opinion — manufacturers, farmers, salesmen, independent store owners, chain store employees, wageearners, white-collar workers, housewives and students.

Sectionally, the chains are most Atlantic States and the Pacific Coast. the transformation from independent their heads very well" when the The South (about six to four in favor of the chains) and the Southwest

(nine to ten against them) are the two areas where "anti-chainism" is the strongest. It is interesting to note that Representative Patman, who is America wants chain stores to stay sponsoring the chain store tax bill, is

30 per cent; neutral, 11 per cent. collar workers. Even in the South persons were under treatment here Hundreds of letters have been sent and Southwest, consumers are strong and five others were in a Rawling, to me. They represented all shades for chains. Naturally, independent Wyoming hospital. store-owners protest against "unfair competition," although many admitted the chains had been beneficial. first aid. Chain store employees reflect little| W. W. Daever, one of several indissatisfaction, although many un- surance executives bound for the doubtedly do not dare to write too Golden Gate Exposition at San Fran popular in New England, the Middle frankly. Students, not having seen cisco, said that the passengers "kept

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Duce Orders Italians To **Return Home**

Two Views Expressed as Trainloads Leave France for Homeland; Exodus Comes at Crucial Time in Italo - French Relations

Paris, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Thousands of Italian citizens living in France were leaving for their homeland today in a mass exodus in response to Premier Mussolini's repatriation order for Italians abroad.

An Italian Embassy spokesman said the exodus was "only a begin-

Italian officials said several hundred Italians were leaving Paris on a special train this afternoon, while "nearly 3,000" were returning to their native land from Farseilles, Bordeaux and other cities.

Although the movement was officially in response to the repatriation order under which Italians in all lands were being called home, it was viewed in many quarters as a direct slap at France.

Officially, the French government accepted Rome's official reason that the repatriation followed a Fascist plan to get most Italians living abroad back to work in Italy, despite the fact the repatriation came at a crucial moment in Italian-French relations was viewed by responsible quarters was due to one of two

with action.

Today, repatriation movement fol-Hundreds of Jews lowed by a day a disclosure that Italian residents of Corsica, French island, near the Italian mainland

Leave Germany In The Italian embassy estimated that the number leaving Monday at Short While; Proper- about 1,000 (Italy estimates the Italians living abroad at 10,000,000, a ty Confiscation by figure which does not take in account naturalization and included

U. S. Official Succumbs To **Heart Attack**

Berlin, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Prentiss B. Gilbert, Charge D'Affaires, of the United States Embassy, died last night of a heart attack. He was 55 years old. Mrs. Gilbert, who was vacationing in Switzerland, was notified at once and started to return to

Gilbert was a native of Rochester,

Funeral arrangements will be made after the return of Mrs. Gil-

When last seen by friends at the Embassy, Gilbert appeared in the best of spirits. He has been in charge of the embassy since the departure of Ambassador Hugh Wilson on Nov. 16 for Washington on summons from President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull.

Gilbert was succeeded temporally by first Secretary Jefferson Patterson, who this morning notified the U. S. State Department, the German foreign office and Doyen (DCU) members of the diplomatic corps that Gilbert had died.

13 Hurt When Train Leaves Track In West

Laramie, Wyoming, Feb. 25—(AP)

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