

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IS DEFENDED BY FDR

House Passes Bill To Keep Democrat In Wilkes Office

Guilty in Hit-Run



Mrs. Martha Dodd Stern, daughter of William E. Dodd, kisses him outside courthouse in Richmond, Va., after the former Ambassador to Germany pleaded guilty to hit-run charge. He was fined \$250 and costs.

Welfare Superintendent Would Be Approved Only by County Welfare Board, Without Voice of Commissioners; Local Bills Are Passed

Raleigh, March 4.—(AP)—The House passed and sent to the Senate today a bill which indirectly provides for the appointment of a Democrat as welfare superintendent of Wilkes county.

The bill, however, was amended by a House Judiciary Committee yesterday to make the superintendent's appointment subject to approval of the State Board of Charities and Welfare.

Each division received one new bill at routine "local business" Saturday sessions. The House passed 15 bills and the Senate nine.

Gandhi Fast Watched By Government

Stock Prices on Exchanges in India Tumble in Fear of Repercussions from Frail, Ascetic Leader's Hunger Strike at Rajkot

Rajkot, India, March 4.—The health minister of the Bombay presidency flew here today to watch the health of Mohatas K. Gandhi as the frail, ascetic leader of millions of Indians entered the second day of his protest "fast unto death."

Gandhi, wearing little except a pair of cheap horn-rimmed spectacles slept peacefully throughout the night on a cot placed in the bright moonlight outside his hut. He apparently had suffered no ill effects from his fast.

The Bombay exchanges closed today in protest against Gandhi's strike. Prices on other Indian stock exchanges declined.

Already in precarious health, the little bald 69-year-old spiritual leader hoped by his strike to persuade the ruler of Rajkot to introduce "voice in the government" for the governmental reforms, including a people of Rajkot.

House Demands Time To Digest Revenue Measure

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, March 4.—The House may, in fact, probably will, swallow the revenue bill medicine brewed and concocted for it by the finance committee, but its members showed yesterday that they are not going to have their collective nose held and the dose poured down their throat without at least a preliminary and tentative taste to determine whether it is one of those remedies babies cry for or whether, on the contrary, it is in the same class with old-fashioned sulphur and molasses.

The demonstration took the very concrete form of adopting by 51 to 30 a motion of Walter Murphy, that the House rise from committee of the whole and "report progress." Speaker Libby Ward, Finance Chairman Bill Fenner, Revenue Bill Expert Victor Bryant and other leaders were quite open in their opposition, but

they might just as well have whistled up the chimney for all the good it did them.

As an eastern member said: "I sat here under the iron major two years ago, but not even he ever tried to cram anything that ran down our throat."

It was noticeable that this same iron major (Gaston Gregg Cherry) lined up with the insurgents.

Backing-up just a little in order to give a better idea of what happened, the Murphy motion came after the revenue bill had been reported, the House had resolved itself into a committee of the whole, the inheritance tax article had been adopted without amendment and the Schedule B taxes were up for consideration.

George Uzzell, of Rowan, was in the chair as chairman of the committee of the whole, Mr. Fenner was doing his best to explain the bill as

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Pacelli Leads Cardinals Into Sacred Conclave



The Princes of the Church enter the Sistine Chapel, in the Vatican, where they were immured until a new Pope will have been chosen. The Papal Secretary of State, Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, is in right foreground, passing the guard of honor. Photo telephoned to London, then radioed to New York.

Steinhardt Is Made Moscow Ambassador

Big Sewing Room Project Approved

Raleigh, March 4.—(AP)—State WPA Administrator George Coan, Jr., announced today approval of 16 projects costing \$2,491,757.40, including a \$2,091,779 statewide project to maintain and operate sewing rooms which would employ 4,288 persons.

Four road projects and one street job were in the group. Other projects included: Lumberton, \$58,771 for an armory; Halifax county, \$22,791 for school lunches; and \$9,930 for free home assistance; and Wendell, \$873.40 for remodeling the town hall.

Departmental Legal Powers Again Posed

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Raleigh, March 4.—The House committee on Conservation and Development is considering a bill, designed to regulate the powers of the department of the same name and which is likely to have a far broader effect than its title would indicate.

On the fate of this bill depends the whole question which has been emphatically posed to this assembly: "Shall the Legislature delegate to governmental departments the power to make rules which shall have the effect of law and for violations of which criminal prosecution may be instituted?"

And so almost every department is interested in the Mallard bill's fate. Among those which are vitally affected are the State Board of Health, the Utilities Commission, the Highway and Public Works Commission, the Revenue Department and the Department of Labor.

All of these have, or want, the power to make regulations and to enforce them by criminal actions when they are violated. At this session the House has refused to give the Department of Labor that power, but if the Mallard bill is killed, impetus will be given the movement to have

DUNN MAN BADLY INJURED IN CRASH

Dunn, March 4.—(AP)—R. L. Taylor, 20, lay seriously injured in a Fayetteville hospital today following a bicycle-bus crash near here last night in which 18 bus passengers were shaken up but not believed hurt. Investigating officers said the bus cut to the left side of the road, jumped a ditch and hit a telephone pole in trying to avoid collision.

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Envoy to Franco



With proviso his appointment be effective for only three months, Marshal Henri Petain (above), heroic defender of Verdun during the World War, accepted post of French ambassador to the Spanish Nationalist Government of Francisco Franco. (Central Press)

Cabinet Of France Jarred By Dissension

Paris, March 4.—(AP)—An under-cover fight in the French cabinet over foreign policy was brought into the open by what political sources described today as a "violent attack" against Foreign Minister Bonnet by Colonial Minister Mandel.

Members of the Senate Colonial Affairs Committee disclosed that Mandel had criticized savagely Bonnet's handling of tense relations with Japan and Italy over threats to French colonial prestige in Asia and North Africa. Mandel indicated, committee members said, that he had to take exceptional measures to counteract what was described as Bonnet's "do nothing" diplomacy.

Political observers considered it possible Mandel's action might bring to a head an often reported conflict between cabinet supporters of Bonnet's policy and a group composed of Mandel and others.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy today and partly cloudy in east and central portions Sunday; warmer Sunday, and, except on Cape Hatteras tonight.

WEEKLY WEATHER. South Atlantic States: Rather frequent rain over north and central portions of district; mild temperature at beginning of week; colder over north portion of district about Tuesday and more generally Wednesday or Thursday.

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U. S. Won't Remain Silent As Liberty Vanishes In World

Hughes Firm In Defense U. S. System

Checks and Balances in Three-Fold Division of Authority Assures Stability, Chief Justice Says in Presence of the President

Washington, March 4.—(AP)—Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, addressing Congress, which two years ago defeated proposals to reorganize the Supreme Court, said today that "what the people really want they generally get."

Praising the American system of government for its division of authority among the executive, legislative and judicial divisions, the chief justice told his audience, including President Roosevelt: "If our checks and balances sometimes prevent the speedy action which is thought desirable, they also assure in the long run a more deliberate judgment. And what the people really want they generally get. With the ultimate power of change through amendment in their hands, they are always able to obtain whatever a preponderant and abiding sentiment demands."

His statement reminded the assembled legislators and government officials of Mr. Roosevelt's unsuccessful proposal to reorganize the Supreme Court and other branches of the judiciary, in order, as the President said, to "get new blood into the judicial system."

The proposal followed the court's action in invalidating several early New Deal laws, which drew down on it the administration criticism. Subsequently, however, the trend of court opinion changed, most later New Deal laws were approved, and the President has been able, by death and retirement, to name three new court members. A fourth vacancy is soon to be filled.

HEDY LAMARR AND GENE MARKEY WED

San Diego, Cal., March 4.—(AP)—Glamorous Hedy Lamarr, start of "Algiers", and Gene Markey, associate producer for Twentieth Century-Fox Studios in Hollywood, will be married this afternoon in Calexico, Cal., Markey disclosed today. "Yes, it's true," Markey said when he was located at a hotel, where he and the dark-haired European beauty had stopped for a few hours rest on their drive from the movie capital. He said the wedding would climax a friendship of "about a year" since they met at a film party.

Economic Law, Not FDR Will Return Prosperity; Hopkins Ignorant Of Job

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, March 4.—Economists I talk with are none too sure the national administration, try as honestly hard as it can hurry America back into an era of very satisfactory prosperity in anything like the near future.

They agree that the stock market gets certain little fillips from President Roosevelt's assurance that business has nothing to fear, from Treasury Secretary Morgenthau's declaration in opposition to further taxation increases and from Commerce Secretary Hopkins' promise of an environment in which private capital will be en-

Nation Will Never Approve Return of "Personal" Rule, President Tells Congress on 150th Anniversary of Its First Session

Washington, March 4.—(AP)—President Roosevelt served notice today that the United States would not be passive and silent about the persecution of religion in lands where democracy had been shuffled out. Instead, he told the Congress and a host of representatives of foreign powers, this nation would seek "by every peaceful means" to keep religious and personal freedom alive.

addressing a joint session of the Congress 150 years ago, Mr. Roosevelt denounced the return to the world in recent years "of forms of government which for 2,000 years have proved their tyranny and instability."

"The United States, with many other democracies, would never approvingly watch this return to 'personal rule,'" he declared, continued: "Where democracy is snuffed out, there, too, the right to worship God in one's own way is circumscribed or abrogated. Shall we by our passiveness, by our silence, by assuming the attitude of the Levite who pulled his skirts together and passed by on the other side, lend encouragement to those who today persecute religion or deny it?"

"The answer to that is 'No,' just as in the days of the first Congress of the United States it was 'No.' 'Not for freedom of religion alone does this nation contend by every peaceful means. We believe in the other freedoms of the bill of rights, the other freedoms that are inherent in the right of free choice by free men and women.'"

Justice of the Supreme Court, many high officials of the government, diplomatic representatives of foreign governments and members

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Brokers Are Suspended By The SEC

Washington, March 4.—(AP)—The Securities Commission suspended William E. Hutton II today from membership on the New York Stock Exchange and other exchanges; for three months. The commission had charged manipulation of the stock of the Atlas Tack Corporation.

In its order, the commission discontinued proceedings against W. E. Hutton & Company and John Christie Duncan and Carroll V. Geran, partners of the firm. The firm has headquarters in Detroit.

The commission also suspended H. H. Michaels for one month from membership on national securities exchanges. Michaels is a member of William Cavalier & Company, a member of the New York Stock Exchange, the San Francisco Stock Exchange and the San Francisco Curb Exchange. The Cavalier firm was not involved in the proceedings.

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