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# TROUBLE GROWS IN KENTUCKY COAL FIELDS

**Escapes Kidnapers** 



Authorities are investigating re-ported kidnaping of George Palmer Putnam (above), wealthy publisher husband of the late Amelia Earhart, who said he slipped his bonds and escaped abductors in Bakersfield, Cal. Putnam recently reported receiving threats because of an anti-Nazi book he is publishing.

## Dies Group Gets Access To Incomes

Executive Order Permits Examination of Returns of Alleged There was no infinitellate indication whether Mrs. Norton would decide later to attempt to obtain House approval for the changes or whether the question would be Communists, Fascists dropped for this session of Congress.

President Roosevelt today opened up consider to amendments intended to federal income tax records to consider to amendments intended to consider the considerations of the consideration Chairman Martin Dies and the ricultural labor. American activities.

executive order of the President production" as defined by Elmer tcday and passed on to the French making the records available a few Andrews, wage-hour administradays after Dies, complaining of pre-vious lack of cooperation from ad-induced the committee to substitute said they could not disclose its con-tents, wage-noth administra-said they could not disclose its con-induced the committee to substitute ministration from administrative a section exempting 16 specific farm agencies of the government, de- operations, so that employees permanded the right to look at the income tax returns of a number of almaximum of 60 hours a week beleged communists and fascist lead- fore the overtime provisions for pay ers in the United States

The Treasury order, accompanying the President's specified that the committee could obtain any returns it wanted by submitting a written list, and "any information thus obcommittee thereof, which is relevant or pertinent to the purpose of the investigation, may be submitted by the committee or the sub-committee to the heavy of the sub-committee to the sub-committee tained by the committee or the submittee to the house."

#### Congress To Ban Bergdoll From Country

Washington, May 15.—(AP)— of the two organizations. The new The House passed and sent to the Senate today a bill designed to prevent the re-entry into the United of America. It will take over all States of Grover Cleveland Berg-goll, World War draft dodger. financial organizations and labor contracts of the TWOC. doll, World War draft dodger.

United States and who have remained outside that jurisdiction uary because he had "entered upon continuously to escape punishment. a dual and disruptive course of con-It was reported recently that duct." Bergdoll planned to return to the serve out a five-year prison sent-

## Wage-Hour Changes Withheld From Vote By House Leaders

Administration Forces Apparently Feared Defeat at Hands of Farm Bloc, Backed By Powerful Farm **Organizations** 

Washington, May 15.—(AP)—Administration leaders, apparently fearing defeat, suddenly changed plans and refused to permit the House to consider or vote today on changes in the wage-hour law

Strong farm bloc opposition had developed over the week-end. Today, when the House met, Chairman Norton, Democrat, New Jersey, of the labor committee, announced on the floor that, contrary to expecta-tions, he would not ask for consid-eration of the amendment. House leaders had planned to call up the provisions under a procedure which would have required a two-thirds vote for passage and which would have prevented any alterations to the committee-approved amend-

It was learned that they agreed there was little chance of obtaining that degree of support, especially in view of the firm opposition of five farm organizations, which said Saturday that the amendments, instead of exempting more agricul-tural labor than the present law, would place agriculture in a "straight iacket.

There was no immediate indica-

Farm members, backed by the American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, May 15.—(AP)— and other leading farm organizations

The law now exempts from both The Treasury made public an farming operations in the "area of was received at the foreign office would be changed from a poundage from a poundage to acreage basis

## Textile Union Union Of CIO

of time and a half would apply.

Philadelphia, May 15.—(AP)—The Textile Workers Organizing Committee, powerful CIO affiliate, was merged today with the United Textile Workers of America, a CIO group that ousted its president five months ago for trying to reaffiliate with the A. F. of L.

The amalgamation proposal was approved unanimously by more than 700 delegates at the opening session of simultaneous national conventions

The measure would deny re-entry to persons previously convicted of wartime desertion by courtmartial, who fled the jurisdiction of the world action of the union executive council in expelling former Presidents.

Gorman had proposed that the United State from Germany to United Textile Workers secede from the CIO and join the AF of L, of which is originally was a part.

## Roosevelt Plans Visit To Frisco's Exposition

dent Roosevelt would go to the Golden Gate Exposition at San Francisco next month if it appeared that Congress will not adjourn early. The President may, therefore, leave Washington about June 15 that Congress would not adjourn un-

til late July or early August.

Washington, May 15.—(AP)—The indications generally are taken to White House said today that President Representations of the President Representation of the P

Present plans are for the chief executive to go first by train to Stephen Early, press secretary, said that should the indications be that Congress would quit in early July, the President probably would he is to motor through the park to delay the first by thain to deficit the Great Smoky Mountains National Park about June 19. From there he is to motor through the park to delay the trans-continental journey a point in Tennessee and then take until after adjournment. Present a train from San Francisco.

#### Growers Guarding Wilson Plantbeds

Wilson, May 15.—(AP)—Reports to farmers in this section during the week-end said that tobacco plants were so scarce in parts of North Carolina and Virginia that some growers in Wilson county were guarding their beds at night against theft. Several farmers reported thefts last week.

County Farm Agent W. L.

Adams said he had heard of heavy sale of plants by growers of this county, and added that there would be no shortage of plants in this county. Instead, there likely will be a surplus, he said.

## Russia Not Yet In Line With Britain

Reply Received a t London Fails To Adhere to Proposals for Poland

London, May 15.—(AP)—Soviet Russia's reply to Great Britain's counter-proposals for getting the U. House committee investing unAmerican activities.

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American activities. government. Foreign office officials tents, but in diplomatic circles it was agreed generally that it did not accept the British plan

Britain had suggested that Russia should agree to help Poland and Roumania if these countries were attacked and asked for help. She stipulated specifically that Russia guarantees should not come into effect until Britain and France were

fighting for the two nations. Prime Minister Chamberlain earlier had told the House of Commons that Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax hoped to discuss proposals with the Soviet representative at the League of Nations Counties of Nation cil meeting beginning next Mon-day. Chamberlain said the British government was awaiting a further communication from Russia on the

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### Large Harbor Work Funds Given State

Washington, May 15 .- (AP)-The House considered today revised estimates of appropriations for new work on waterways of North Carolina. The items were included in the annual War Department appropriation bill for non-military activities, and were subject to further change. Prospective minimum approp-

riations included: Roanoke river, N. C., \$323,000; Belhaven harbor, \$53,000; Inland waterway Beaufort to Cape Fear river, N. C., \$35,000; \$23,500; and Drum Inlet, N. C., \$50,000.

#### WPA FUNDS GIVEN FOR HOUSE WORK

Raleigh, May 15.—(AP)—C. C. McGinnis, State WPA administrator, announced today the allocation of \$103,986 for 12 projects designed to employ 242

Included were Edgecombe county, \$6,930 for free home as-vate public schools, and Wayne county, 6,930 for free home as-

#### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair tonight and Tuesday; warmer tonight and in south and east portions Tuesday.

#### They Don't Want to Fight



Members of Britain's No Conscription League parade in London in protest of the government's compulsory conscription bill. Many of the 2,000 in the parade carry posters expressing their sentiments.

## Tobacco Quotas On Acreage, Not Pound, Mutual Defense in Event of Attack Upon Basis Now Proposed

Washington, May 15.—(AP)—To- in place of the present provisions bacco marketing quotas under the based on a percentage of the gross to an acreage basis under amend- would be accomplished by adding a

AAA officials. ers. The penalty for marketing in keting quotas are allotted at present excess of quota would be changed to | The actual production of the farm a flat ten cents a pound on flue- acreage allotment established in such cured, burley and Maryland tobac- manner would be the farm marketco, and five cents on all other types ing quota.

The change in marketing quotas ments to the act agreed upon today new section to the act to permit the by tobacco state congressmen and secretary of agriculture to convert the state marketing quota to a state Representative Burch, Democrat, acreage allotment, on the basis of Virginia, leader of the tobacco area average yield an acre for the state congressional group, said the amend- during the five years immediately ments also would require that past preceding the year in which the na-experience of the farm operator in tional marketing quota is proclaimtobacco be taken into consideration ed, and allot acreage through local in making allotments to new grow- committees in the same way as mar-

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, May 15 .- Not even a gimlet-eyed G-man armed with all the scientific apparatus of Hoover's crack sleuths could have found more than a trace of political discussion or activity on the surface of Raleigh's affairs last week.

What goings-on there were went on in so furtive a fashion, if at all, that they defied detection.

Even the crying spell of Robert R. Reynolds, staged in the U. S. Senate Thursday, caused no more than a bit of sly laughter in political cir-

There were no formal announcements of candidacy; only a few stories on "inside manipulation" and hoss trades; and not even rumors enough to get excited about.

In view of the announced desire of the governor that there be no formal announcements until late in the year, there is quite likely in prospect a period of calm, under cover of which all the really serious candidates will continue to work hard on their organization jobs; while others who haven't the least intention of ever getting around to the point of putting up the \$100 filing fee will continue to enjoy being "prominently mentioned" for the governorship.

According to reports reaching this bureau, Wilmington's Mayor. Tom immediate section of the State, informing all and sundry that he is going to run. He also issued a violent points around midday. May held at attack on the transportation of gas-oline in trucks, with obvious political seven at 8.44. motives behind the statement.

A man who ought to know told lower; spot nominal; middling 9.43. your correspondent that Lieutenant Governor W. P. Horton will announce, "within 30 days", but even July more reliable, sources have been October ...... 7.97 wrong previously on announcement December ...... 7.75 dates; so it's passed along only for January ..... what it's worth or not worth.

## Marking Time Brewing Over Power Taxes

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, May 15.—If and when a real battle develops over the right of counties to tax power lines belonging to municipalities and strung outside corporate limits, it isn't going to be a penny ante affair by any means—figures showing that North Carolina municipalities have more than a million dollars invested in rural power lines indicate.

These figures, too, are certain to be conservative, as they are those of the State Rural Electrification Authority, and are based on reports made to it by the municipalities. Inasmuch as there is no law or regulation under which the muni officials

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#### Cotton Lower At The Close

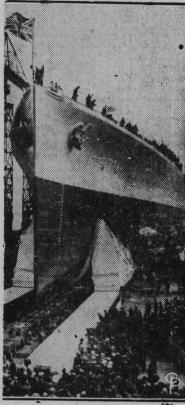
New York, May 15 .- (AP)-Cotton futures opened one point lower to three higher on Bombay, trade and Wall Street buying. In the early Cooper did a bit of traveling in his forenoon, trading forces showed losses of one to six points.

Futures held losses of one to nine Futures closed one to 13 points

Open Close 8.43 7.82 ..... 8.53 7.67 March ..... 7.72

## One Miner Clubbed On Head With Gun By State Trooper

Britain's Newest



Newest addition to Great Britain's navy, the 35,000-ton battleship, Prince of Wales, slides down ways at Birkenhead, England, after being named by the Princess Royal, sister of King George VI. New ship is second of Britain's five capital ships to be launched this year.

## Slows Italy **Auto Plants**

Mussolini Tells Turin Workers of Menacing Situation; Says Prob- Minister Of lems Constitute Danger for All and Must Be Poland In Solved

Turin, Italy, May 15.—(AP)— Premier Mussolini told employees of the Fiat Works today that the nternational situation had caused Italy to "slow down" development of her civilian automobile industry. He said Italy some time ago had inaugurated a definite "quota policy" and said "we would have continued on this rhythm if the interto slow down."

Mussolini reaffirmed his statement of yesterday that Italy wanted peace, but that European problems, "which constitute danger for all," must be solved

great new Fiat plant, which he fight to preserve her independence. Mussolini also spoke at the Su-

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First Clash Between Workers and Soldiers Follows One Death; Operators Refuse To Sign Union Contract

Harlan, Ky., May 15.—(AP)—Claude Howard, of Baxter, a carpenter for the Harlan-Wallins mine, was clubbed on the head with a pistol by a National Guardsman today in the first clash between coal miners and State troops protecting workers re-

turning to the pits.

Howard said that when he was stopped by a trooper he told him he was enroute to his home, but the militiaman refused to allow him to cross a guarded bridge and in an argument struck him across the head. inflicting a deep gash.

Guardsmen's Version. Colonel Roy Easley, of the National Guard, said he had received reports that Howard backed into a soldier with his automobile and attempt ed to run down another trooper when he was struck.

Considerable excitement was caused when a small roadster was brought in from the county with five bullet holes in the windshield. First reports said shots had been fired at the driver, but an investigation by the military revealed that several boys had fired the shots from inside the car, and the incident was described as a "prank."

Guardsmen with machine guns turned back 3,000 coal miners enroute to mines for picket duty. There were reports that miners in cars were roaming throughout the county.

No coal will be brought from the mines until tomorrow or Wednesday, operators said. Those who wanted to

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#### HENDERSON LOBBY FEES MADE PUBLIC

Raleigh, May 15.—(AP)—J. P. Cheatham, J. H. Bridoe and others of Henderson, reported to Secretary of State Thad Eure today that they paid a total of \$325.82 to J. H. Bridgers, B. H. Perry and J. C. Kittrell to cover fees and expenses for legislative lobbying. Expenses were listed at \$25.82.

# Paris Meet

Paris, May 15.—(AP)—General Paduesz Kasprzycki, Polish war mingeneral, who was accompanied by two general staff colonels, was greetnational situation had not caused us ed by General Maurice Gustave Gamelin, French chief of staff of national defense.

French sources said the general would discuss details of the mutual assistance accord under which Britain and France guaranteed aid to He expressed his pride in the Warsaw if Poland should have to Pending these military conferences

France's armed forces continued on the alert on the eastern and south-

## Congress Spends, Spends, Then Condemns Spending

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Henry

Morgenthau

mous sums with-

bill. In such fashion the lawmakers 7.62 leave Treasury Secretary Henry Mor-

genthau with no option but to run farther and farther into the red— Washington, May 15.—Congress (a after which they rake him over the large part of it anyway) howls con- coals for doing so. The other day he tinuously at what it denounces as the turned the tables on them by letting a d m i nistration's out a screech of horror at their expolicy of spending travagance.
vastly in excess of The Senate was the legislative

its collections from body that he particularly panned. It taxpayers, thus had just approved an item of \$338,piling up a huge 000,000 for farm parity payments national indebted- and crop surplus removal. It did it ness, to be paid off so casually that it didn't even bothgoodness knows er to take a record vote. It simply yhen. was a case of, "The ayes have it,"
Yet this same and the allowance was indorsed— Congress everlastly votes for expenditures of enorditures of enor-

Secretary Morgenthau didn't say out providing any that the farmers don't need the cash. His point was that cash is just what

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