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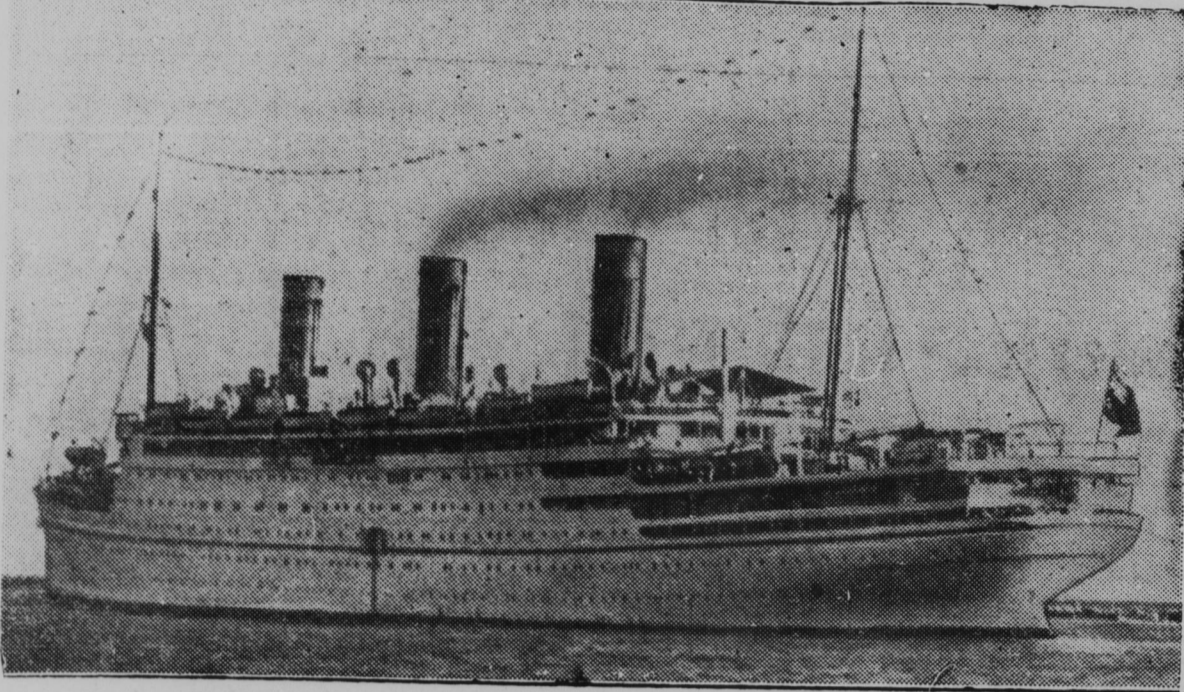
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## Liner Bringing King and Queen to Canada and U. S.



King George VI and Queen Elizabeth of England aboard this twenty-five-year-old Canadian-Pacific liner Empress of Australia (above), instead of the battle cruiser Repulse, are due in Canada tomorrow morning, after a two-day delay at sea caused by heavy fog and icebergs. The Repulse is being kept in home waters because of war crisis. The Empress was taken from Germany after the war, one of the reparations ships.

## King And Queen Are Sailing Into St. Lawrence For Quebec

### Bright Sunshine Marks Course of Liner Bringing British Royalty to Canada and United States; Land in Quebec Tomorrow Morning

Aboard Empress of Australia, May 16.—(Canadian Press)—This liner, carrying King George VI and Queen Elizabeth to Quebec for their tour of Canada and the United States, sped along the Gaspé coast well up the St. Lawrence river, in bright sunshine this morning. At 7 a. m., the empress and her convoy of two British cruisers and two Canadian destroyers were opposite Rivière Almatre, and were expected to reach Father Point at 1:30 p. m.

### ST. LAWRENCE PILOT READY TO BOARD LINER SHORTLY

Quebec, Canada, May 16.—(AP)—The liner Empress of Australia, bearing King George and his Scottish queen on an historic visit to Canada and the United States, today neared a rendezvous with a St. Lawrence river pilot boat, which will steer her into port in Quebec tonight.

At midnight the royal vessel reported her position as about 440 miles from Quebec. Northern lights played over the clear sky as the liner and her escort negotiated the great waterway off the northeastern tip of the Gaspé Peninsula.

While a veteran pilot of the St. Lawrence waited at Father Point for the Empress, harried officials in Quebec tackled a last-minute group of problems to insure execution of the arrangements from the moment the king and queen step ashore tomorrow morning.

Officials were hampered by the necessity of telescoping parts of the Canadian tour to make up for a two-day delay forced on the Empress of Australia by fog and ice arrangements for their Majesties to spend June 8 to 11, inclusive, in the United States stood unaltered.

## Appeal Made For Life Of Negro Burglar

Raleigh, May 16.—(AP)—Paroles Commissioner Edwin Gill took under advisement today an appeal for a commutation for Arthur Morris, Negro sentenced to die Friday for first degree burglary. Petitions were presented from the 12 jurors asking for a commutation. The jurors said they would have returned a verdict of guilty in the second degree had they not been instructed by the presiding judge that they could not do so.

W. B. Womble and J. C. Little, Raleigh lawyers appointed by the court to represent Morris, presented his case. Morris had a long criminal record in Wake and Durham counties. The lawyers and others told Gill they did not think Morris had normal mentality. W. R. Johnson, Negro consultant for the State Welfare Board, described the man as "demented, with proclivities toward kleptomania."

A step-sister, Dorsey Williams, of Durham, told Gill that Morris' mother apparently was not mentally sound, and added, "I just believe the boy has taken after his mother."

Walter Keener, Jr., of Wake Forest, who once caught Morris in his home, urged a commutation.

## Philadelphia Urges Hoover Investigation

Philadelphia, May 16.—(AP)—The head of the nation's G-men forces was told today the Philadelphia insurance money racket is so vast that "no one can estimate the number of crimes committed to date or the ramifications of the heinous murderers."

Topping all previous calculations, this new definition of the ring's possible scope was given by Judge Harry McDewitt in a telegram urging J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to come here and "make a personal survey of this unbelievable crime syndicate."

Judge McDewitt, who presided at the first murder trial growing out of the case, expressed appreciation for the FBI's proffered aid in the investigation, and told Hoover it would give local authorities access to "now explored fields of murderous activity."

"Having tried the first man convicted and sentenced to death, I am thoroughly familiar with the details that incite an incredulous public would not believe," Judge McDewitt said. "It would give incentive

## Swedish Aviator Starts America-To-Sweden Hop

St. John's, N. F., May 16.—(Canadian Press)—Carl Backman, Swedish aviator attempting a flight from America to Sweden, took off from Botwood airport today at 5:10 a. m., local time (2:40 a. m. eastern standard time) according to word received here. Flying a 90 horsepower single-motored monoplane with a cruising speed of 110 miles an hour, Backman landed at Botwood last night after a hop from Bangor, Maine. He arrived at Bangor Sunday night with the explanation that he had flown non-stop from St. Louis. Backman was quoted by Bangor airport attendants as saying he was one of three aviators in a "race" from America to Sweden. He spoke English brokenly, and was described as slim, blonde and 27 years old. His plane has no radio, and apparently was equipped with few of the instruments needed for trans-Atlantic flying. Its seat was about 18 inches wide and a gasoline tank blocked his view to the right. The rest of the cabin was full of auxiliary tanks. Backman told Bangor airport attendants he would try to reach Stockholm and had mapped a course of about 2,300 miles.

## Troop Area Extended In Coal Fields

Harlan, Ky., May 16.—(AP)—National guard troops protection for coal miners wishing to work has been extended into Belle county. Governor Chandler at Frankfort revealed today that some militiamen are stationed in a corner of Belle county, but are a part of the unit on duty in Harlan county. Governor Chandler said the order for troops to go to Harlan, where operators refused to sign a "union shop" agreement with the United Mine Workers, provided for guardsmen "to preserve law and order in Harlan county and its environs."

Chandler said the mine of J. C. Stras, president of the Kentucky Cardinal Coal Corporation, "is on the Belle-Harlan county line, and that a detachment of troops is on guard there."

"Sheriff Martin Green, of Belle county, telephoned me about this morning," Chandler said. "I explained the situation to him and he promised to cooperate with the troops."

Guard Officer Relieved  
A national guard officer was relieved of his command today for failure to "show the proper aggressiveness" as 13 additional mines, 19 in all, opened in the disturbed Harlan soft coal fields under the protective gaze of State troops.

Brigadier General E. Carter, Jr., announcing the officer's removal, refused to give his name, but said he had been sent home, and his machine gun troops, on duty yesterday at the Topz trouble zone broken up and distributed among other units.

It was at Topz that C. V. Bennett, general manager of the Harlan Central Coal Company, reported an automobile filled with miners returning from work was attacked by pickets and stones hurled through the windshield. No one was hurt. Bennett also reported 150 to 200 pickets were "threatening." Several units of troops were rushed to the spot and spent the night.

## N. C. Odd Fellows Name Officers At High Point Meet

High Point, May 16.—(AP)—R. V. Pate, of Goldsboro, was named grand master of the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, and Goldsboro was selected as the 1940 convention city after a final business session of the 96th annual session held here today. The session, which convened here yesterday, adjourned this afternoon. Other officers elected were: H. V. Beamon, of Gatesville, deputy grand master; C. H. Warren, of Raleigh, grand warden; John W. Clapp, of Greensboro, grand secretary; D. E. Long, of Oxford, grand treasurer; W. D. Jones, of Wilmington, grand representative for two years; John W. Clapp, grand representative for one year; David Jacob, of Wilmington, trustee of the Odd Fellows Home.

Mrs. Viola M. Jones, of Wilmington, was elected to head the North Carolina Assembly of Rebekahs to succeed Mrs. Alice Wicker, of Greensboro, at the final session of the two-day meeting held in conjunction with the 96th convention of Odd Fellows.

## Green Urges Construction Ship Canal

### Labor Chief Writes Letters as Vandenberg Renews Attack on \$200,000,000 Project; New Virginia Judge Named By Roosevelt

Washington, May 16.—(AP)—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, urged senators today to "give every support" to the Florida ship canal. He made the request in letters to all members of the Senate just before Senator Vandenberg, Republican, Michigan, renewed his attack on the canal in floor debate.

Vandenberg said the \$200,000,000 project, which would extend 195 miles across north Florida, "has been presented with all the synthetic allurements of a charming dream."

Other committees had warm issues before them as well. Secretary Woodring told the House military group that the army, because it had to be ready to defend the Western Hemisphere if called on, needed legislation which would put younger officers in the higher ranks.

President Roosevelt nominated Armistead M. Dobe, dean of the University of Virginia Law School, to the new position of additional federal judge for the western district of Virginia.

The President's first nominee to the post, Floyd Roberts, of Bristol, Va., was rejected by the Senate last February.

Controversy continued over the navy's purchase of Argentine corned beef. Senator Pittman, Democrat, Nevada, called such buying "a very bad mistake."

E. R. Kuhne, who had told the House committee investigating WPA that federal relief money was spent on projects that enhanced the value of property owned by politically influential men in Tennessee, apologized to those he had named. He had acted hastily, he said, on hearsay evidence.

## Two Convicts Are Recaptured as One Is Shot In Chase

Raleigh, May 16.—(AP)—Two convicts escaped from the Duplin county camp late yesterday, but were caught within a few hours, after one had been shot and slightly wounded, Oscar Pitts, penal superintendent, said today.

They were listed as James Edward Thompson, 24, sentenced in May, 1938, in Nash county to two to four years for larceny, and William Taylor, also sent up from Nash in November, 1938, to eight to ten years for robbery.

Taylor, Pitts said, received buckshot in his side, but was not seriously hurt. The pair was picked up about seven miles from the camp.

## SENATOR BAIN NEW BREWER DIRECTOR

Raleigh, May 16.—(AP)—State Senator E. H. Bain, of Wayne county, resigned today to become State director for United Breweries Industrial Foundation. Senator Bain's resignation was submitted to and accepted by Governor Hoey.

## State Sells \$250,000 Of UNC Bonds

Raleigh, May 16.—(AP)—The State sold \$250,000 University of North Carolina revenue bonds on an interest basis of 2.932 percent today, which buyers said was the "best sale of revenue bonds" they could recall. The Council of State awarded the issue to Lewis & Hall, of Greensboro, and voted to sell \$2,250,000, or \$2,500,000, State bonds June 15. The State bonds, if \$2,250,000 are sold, will fund into bonds money which was advanced from other State bonds for textbook purchases, work at the Western North Carolina tubercular hospital, and other institutions, when it was found that laws authorizing bonds for them had defects. The 1939 legislature remedied the defects. If the State is assured that it can get federal funds for an Eastern North Carolina tubercular hospital, which was authorized by the 1939 legislature, the \$250,000 bonds for that will be included in the June 15 sale. The University bonds were sold to raise part of the \$701,368 for a new electric power and heating plant for the Chapel Hill unit. The Federal PWA is making \$315,540 available, and the State appropriated \$135,822.

## To Rule Puerto Rico



Admiral William D. Leahy (above), 64-year-old retiring Chief of Naval Operations, will have almost unlimited authority in his new position as Governor of Puerto Rico, according to Washington reports of his slated appointment. The island will be converted into a "Gibraltar of the Caribbean."

## Bailey Bill For Market Fund Backed

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hoey. Raleigh, May 16.—Congressmen and agricultural leaders of the nation are "giving enthusiastic endorsement and rallying to the support" of Senator Bailey's bill to provide a \$3,000,000 federal appropriation for the development of marketing and marketing services. Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott said today.

Pioneering in a nationwide campaign for federal marketing funds, Scott secured the adoption of his resolution favoring an enlarged markets program at the National Association of Commissioners of Agriculture at Miami last year and was named chairman of the committee to push federal legislation.

Senator Bailey (D-NC) introduced the marketing bill April 24, asking \$5,000,000 a year "to be apportioned among the several states on the basis of population."

Commissioner Scott said he was "optimistic over prospects for federal funds," basing his optimism on a poll of Congressmen, agricultural leaders and others throughout the nation. The marketing bill is now before the United States Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

Typical reports on the marketing appropriation bill from congressmen and agricultural leaders of the nation are:

Representative Doughton—"It will be a pleasure to assist Senator Bailey in every reasonable manner to obtain an increase to be used in developing marketing services in North Carolina."

Representative Durham—"I shall be very glad to cooperate ... in every way possible."

Representative Barden—"You may count on me one hundred per cent."

Representative Cooley—"I am sure you know of my interest in a broad and adequate marketing program and of my desire to be of every possible assistance."

Representative Bolwink—"I will give it every consideration."

Representative Weaver—"I will do everything I can to forward it."

Representative Folmer—"Personally, I know of no legislation which would be of more benefit to our farmers at this time than this proposed increase of funds for marketing. I assure you that I am very much interested in this program, and I feel that every member of

## France Strives For Pact Between Britain, Russia

### Strong Alliance Acceptable to All Three Powers Earnestly Sought; Russia Refuses To Join Front on British Terms

Paris, May 16.—(AP)—France strove today to bridge the conflicting views of her two allies, Great Britain and Soviet Russia, into a strong alliance that would be acceptable to all three.

The foreign ministry said reliably to have in mind a plan which it thought would break the deadlock, in close touch with London. An opportunity for direct dealing will be provided when the French, British and Russian foreign ministers meet in Geneva Saturday.

The British foreign secretary, Viscount Halifax, planned to confer here with Premier Daladier and Foreign Minister Bonnet before going to Geneva.

Soviet Russia was reported reliably to have refused to join the British front on British terms—with Russia's promise to fight, if asked, for Poland and Roumania, should Britain and France first go to the aid of those countries.

Russia, in rejecting the British offer, was said to have suggested a return to the original plan advanced by Moscow of reciprocal military pledges among the three powers, and British guarantees for the safety of Baltic states.

Informed circles here believed that the Moscow stand was elastic enough to permit a compromise, which the French are trying to help work out.

## Doctors Are Divided On Free Service

St. Louis, Mo., May 16.—(AP)—Differences of medical opinion on how to give the indigent sick the best care with state money were heard today by the American Medical Association's committee on the Wagner act. The committee was appointed yesterday with expectation of a report from it today before the house of delegates, the legislative body of organized medicine.

Opposition to the present form of the Wagner act as the instrument to initiate state aid for the low-income sick was in the majority. But it was not unanimous. The hearings were private, but it was explained that some of the physicians felt that the proposed legislation may lighten a medical burden which has been estimated at about \$1,000,000 a day in free services, now given to patients unable to pay. The tradition of giving service freely to the poor is voiced strongly among medical leaders here. General reluctance is expressed for endorsing payment for this kind of service.

Four main lines of argument developed during the committee hearing: One, flat opposition to the Wagner act; 2, revision; 3, throwing the whole question back into the house of delegates to try to work out plans satisfactory to doctors; 4, advocating that President Roosevelt apply funds to be made available by legislative acts directly for care of the indigent sick.

### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA  
Mostly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer Wednesday and in central portion tonight.

## Hitler Says West Front Invincible

Berlin, May 16.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler continued today his inspection of the Siegfried fortifications opposite France, fortifications for which his military experts claimed "invincibility," and of which the chancellor himself said: "In these constructions, my fellow citizens, imagine yourselves the difference between today and the past."

Hitler made his one-sentence speech to a cheering crowd after a sham battle yesterday, which military experts said demonstrated the impregnability of the fortifications.

His tour took him from Aachen to Trier in the western fortified zone today, in the company of two generals and Nazi district leaders.

## Mussolini At Town Along French Front

Bradonechia, Italy, May 16.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini today paid a brief surprise visit to this tiny Alpine town at the Italian end of the Mount Cenis tunnel, the other end of which is in France.

The visit dramatized again the attention which both Mussolini and Chancellor Hitler—now touring Germany's western fortifications—are paying to the condition of their frontiers with France.

If Duce halted here just long enough to review the border guard and hear them sing a few Alpine songs for him, then he returned to his streamlined two-car motorized train, which had brought him from Turin, and started back down the Doria valley on his whirlwind tour of the piedmont region.

He made no speeches this morning, which he devoted to a tour of seven border towns, including one on an historic pass over the Alps between Italy and France, often a battleground in the days of ancient Rome.

## Students At A. & T. Given Hot Warning

Greensboro, May 16.—(AP)—Major L. P. McLendon, member of the personnel committee and of the board of trustees of A. & T. College, virtually read the "riot act" to the student body in an address this afternoon, warning in plain language against any recurrence of last night's disorder and destruction of property, which took place in a student demonstration against the alleged discharge of Coach I. A. Breaux.

Armed with a telegram from Governor Hoey, Major McLendon made it clear that the course to be followed to curb the disorder was dictated by His Excellency himself, and that no such recurrence could be tolerated by the State.

Major McLendon at first appealed to the students to stop the course they have adopted as being a serious reflection on the college and a disgrace to the State.

Meantime, at Raleigh, Governor Hoey said the students of the A. & T.

## Reported in Exile



Crown Prince Humbert (above) was ordered to make "an extended visit" to Belgium, amounting to exile from Italy, according to London reports. The move was blamed on his consistent opposition to Mussolini's policies, particularly collaboration with Nazi Germany.

## Mellett To Be One Of Six Aides To FDR

By CHARLES P. STEWART  
Central Press Columnist  
Washington, May 16.—That Lowell Mellett will be one of the six "assistant presidents" whom the White House tentatively has authorized to appoint, under the provisions of the government reorganization program recently approved by Congress and now in process of being made effective, is accepted in Washington as a foregone conclusion. In fact, he may already have been appointed by the time these lines are printed. If not, he will be shortly.

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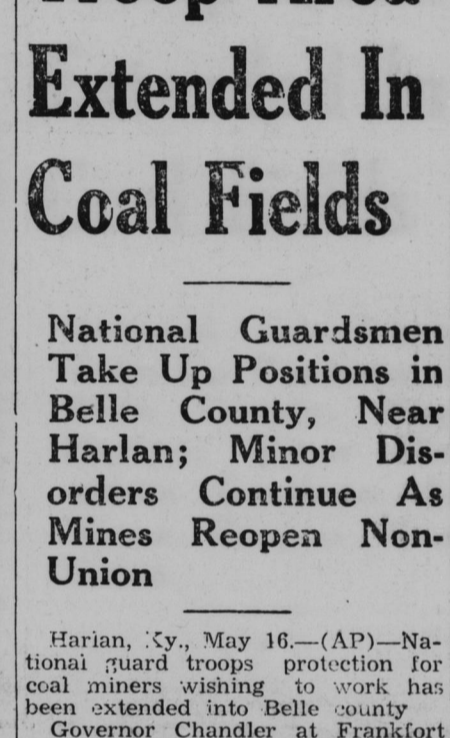
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