

JAPAN MAY ABROGATE NINE POWER TREATY

Farm Mortgage Financing Put Into Lending Bill

Getting Away From It All



Although their political principles differ, Postmaster General James A. Farley (left), chairman of the Democratic national committee, and John D. M. Hamilton, chairman of the Republican national committee, shake hands as both sail on the Manhattan from New York for Europe—vacation-bound, with no comment.

Lewis Blast Upon Garner Is Damaging

Some Think Wage-Hour Revision This Session Now Certain; Roosevelt Won't Comment; Farm Interest Limited To Three Percent.

Washington, July 28.—(AP)—The Senate wrote into the \$2,490,000,000 lending bill today a provision for government re-financing of farm mortgages.

The interest rate would be limited to three percent and loans would be made under the terms specified by the Bankhead-Jones farm tenancy act.

Also, Wheeler, who is chairman of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, disclosed he intended to seek elimination from the lending bill of a provision for railroad equipment loans.

Shortly after the Senate resumed debate on the measure, which Democratic leaders hoped to pass before midnight, Wheeler urged approval of the proposal by himself and LaFollette for re-financing the mortgages.

Lewis Blast Hurts Him. John L. Lewis' denunciation of Vice-President Garner stirred up such a congressional tempest that some legislators said it had improved chances for revision of the wage-hour law at this session.

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Durham Girl Will Head 4-H Clubs Of State Coming Year

Raleigh, July 28.—(AP)—Four-H clubs of North Carolina today elected Margaret Ellis, of Durham, as their president for the next year, with Eugene Berryhill, of Mecklenburg county as vice-president.

The last business session of the 25th annual club short course was held this morning. New officers will be installed tonight at a candle-light ceremony.

Charles Cone, of Nash county, was elected secretary. The achievement day program preceded the elections, with four delegates to the National 4-H Club camp reporting their experiences, and John McDowell and Eugene Berryhill, both of Mecklenburg, repeating their dairy team demonstration, which won them the State championship and a trip to the National Dairy Show.

Slaying Of Son Denied By Holland

Kenansville, July 28.—(AP)—Shepton K. Holland, 44-year-old grist mill operator on trial here on a charge of murder in connection with the death of his three-year-old stepson, took the stand today to deny that he had drowned the lad.

Holland testified that he left the boy, Ray James Goodman, with his mother, and returned a short time later to find the child's body in the millpond. The State charges Holland killed the boy to collect a \$1,000 insurance policy.

The Durham Life Insurance Company filed suit in the same court today asking cancellation of the policy on the grounds that Holland "took it out with the express purpose of murdering the boy," and that he represented himself as being the child's father.

The complaint stated the company had tried on several occasions to return to Holland the premiums he had paid on the policy, but that the latter had refused to accept the money.

Trying to Adjust Wage-Hour Differences



In an effort to forestall long fight on proposed amendments to the Wage-Hour law, Chairman Adolph Sabath (right), of the House Rules Committee, summoned friends and foes of the proposed amendment before his committee to adjust differences.

Succeeds McNutt



Francis B. Sayre

Francis B. Sayre, present assistant of state, was nominated by President Roosevelt to be U. S. High Commissioner to the Philippines to succeed Paul V. McNutt. Sayre, a resident of Massachusetts, is son-in-law of the late President Wilson.

Gov. Rivers Will Confer On Tobacco

Atlanta, Ga., July 28.—(AP)—Governor Rivers arranged a Sunday night conference with Georgia tobacco men seeking relief from comparatively low prices for their 1939 crop, while buyers in 15 auction centers continued to bid today in the bulk of the leaf at 15, 16 and 17 cents a pound.

Growers criticized these prices as too severe a drop from last season's opening range of 25 to 30 cents a pound.

Governor Rivers said he had been deluged by telegrams protesting the low prices, but that many growers also objected to a suggested holiday on the market, enforced by executive order, as likely to be "disastrous" to the Georgia farmers.

He said it appeared imperative that "some action be taken," and discussed probability of a public hearing in the belt on the best procedure.

FARMERS PLAN MEETINGS TO VOICE THEIR PROTEST Douglas, Ga., July 28.—(AP)—Bright leaf tobacco farmers, facing what some characterized as a "current crisis" in the Georgia market arranged meetings today in the State's 15 marketing centers to discuss means of bolstering sagging prices.

One group suggested relief from (Continued on Page Five)

Weather

FORT NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy, scattered showers Saturday and in east portion tonight.

Roosevelt In Favor Of Political Bans, But Delays Signing

President Finds Much In Hatch Bill He Dislikes And May Not Sign It; Would Bar "Pernicious" Political Activities.

Washington, July 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt declared himself today to be absolutely in favor of the objectives of the Hatch bill to prohibit "pernicious" political activities. He added at a press conference, however, that there was a real problem involved in the measure, which is at the White House awaiting presidential action.

He said that, for instance, it might be interpreted to forbid a person to attend a political rally or voluntarily contribute to the campaign expenses of a friend. Mr. Roosevelt said he would take with him on a week-end fishing cruise a lot of documentary evidence on the bill. He has not had a report on it yet from Attorney General Murphy, he said.

Asked what phases of the legislation he had talked over yesterday with Senator Hatch, Democrat, New (Continued on Page Four)

Smokes, Chews Gum While In Death Chair

Columbia, S. C., July 28.—(AP)—Otis McGill, 35-year-old Greenville county mountaineer, died in the electric chair early today for the murder of A. P. Southerlin, who was beaten to death in upper Greenville county in 1938.

McGill, a tall thin man, walked nonchalantly into the death chamber, smoking a cigarette and chewing gum.

"Good morning, good morning. How's everybody?" he said, waving cheerfully to the 25 or 30 witnesses gathered about the room. He calmly took his place in the chair and displayed a cool interest as he was strapped in by guards.

Asked if he had any oral statement to make, he said, "No," but Rev. S. K. Phillips, prison chaplain, stepped forward and read a written statement by McGill, in which the latter said he had "killed two men in self defense."

McGill, who never went past the first grade in school, said in his statement that "I have been a mean man, but not as bad as people say."

Chances For New Treaty Fading Here

Japan Warned United States Will Not Retreat in Its Demands In China; War Supplies May Be Banned; Threat To U. S. in Tokyo.

Tokyo, July 28.—(AP)—Abrogation of the nine power treaty "without further ado" was suggested today by the newspaper Kokumin, considered the organ of the army and ultra nationalist element, in an angry editorial on United States' denunciation of the Japanese trade treaty.

"Such a reckless act of hostility toward Japan by the United States has aroused sharp resentment," said the newspaper. "Opinion is rising in favor of abrogation of the nine power treaty without further ado. In that case, the United States should be prepared to face a situation where in her rights and interests in China can no longer be tenable."

Signed in Washington February 6, 1922, by the United States, China, Japan, Britain and five other powers, the nine power treaty pledges its signatories to respect China's integrity and to "promote intercourse between China and the other powers upon the basis of equality of opportunity."

Reliable sources said Japan would refuse to take the initiative in draft-

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Wallace Says Lower Class Must Spend

Cleveland, Ohio, July 28.—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Wallace told the World Poultry Congress today that "the only way to make consumption keep step with production is to increase the consumption of the lower income groups."

"No other general solution of the problem is conceivable," he declared in a prepared address. "Here and there single nations may find outlets for their excess production in exports," he said.

"But the poultrymen of most nations will have to depend largely on domestic balance between consumption and production for enlarging the market."

"We might as well begin along the right line now, and figure on the absolute necessity of raising the consumption of the low income groups. Poultrymen especially stand to gain."

Armaments Costs 1939 \$20 Billions

Over Eight Times Expenditures On Eve Of World War in 1914; Germany Started Race Back in 1933, Quadrupled Since Then.

Washington, July 28.—(AP)—The cost of the world's feverish efforts to reinforce armaments may reach a new peak of \$20,000,000,000 this year, figures from government and other sources indicated today.

On the eve of the World War in 1914, the seven largest were spending annually only \$2,400,000,000 for arms. Mounting defense expenditures by England and France largely account for an indicated two billion dollars boost in arms outlay

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Ban On Pressure Groups Would Lift Confidence

Every One Agrees That Is Greatest Need, But Few Agree On How To Do It; Congress Pulled And Hauled in Every Direction.

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Gloucester, Mass., July 28.—Our decade-old business depression has, for the first time in 160 years, caused our standard of living to decline. At least, that is what Howard Cooley, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, said a few nights ago. He insists that "only through restoration of confidence in the American system can this country resume progress". In general, everyone agrees with Mr. Cooley. Naturally, we all want confidence. We all know that when we are confident, things go along much better; we work harder, more people have

jobs, and we spend money more freely.

On the other hand, there is tremendous disagreement as to what is meant by "confidence". Different groups of people, different sections of the country, and different political leaders have entirely opposite views as to what will restore confidence. Both Howard Cooley and Norman Thomas would state that the greatest need of the world is "confidence". Yet, they would absolutely disagree as to what will bring about that confidence.

No One Agrees On Anything. Some people, for instance, want (Continued on Page Five)

Reaction Is That Maxwell Pulled Boner

Raleigh, July 28.—First reaction, though not by any means unanimous in sentiment, to the already-famous Winston-Salem interview which has made A. J. Maxwell a "definitely assured" candidate for governor, is that the able and politically-experienced commissioner of revenue pulled something of a boner.

There are those, of course, who lay the blame primarily on the newspaper man who translated the "assumption" into an "announcement," but there seems general agreement that all the stories and headlines heading the story were fully justified and warranted by the facts related in the body of the article—facts for which Mr. Maxwell was

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57 Are Hurt When Train Is Derailed At Grand Canyon

Grand Canyon, Ariz., July 28.—(AP)—The list of injured in the derailment of a Grand Canyon special train last night climbed to 57 today. Santa Fe officials disclosing that 37 had been hospitalized and 20 more given first aid treatment at the scene six miles south.

Earlier reports had listed only nine injured.

Only five remained in the hospital today. None was considered in a critical condition. The two locomotives and four coaches of the train, carrying 190 canyon visitors from all parts of the world jumped the rails while proceeding through a deep cut blasted out of almost solid rock.

Buncombe's Vote Starts Two Drives

Raleigh, July 28.—Overwhelming refusal of Buncombe's electorate to approve establishment of liquor stores within the county's borders would seem to offer absolutely no crumb of comfort to those favoring ABC stores and controlled legal sales; but it is already apparent that the vote has actually stimulated two wholly opposite movements, one sponsored and supported by controllers, the other by the most arid and ardent dries.

Movement number one results from the fact that the city of Asheville stood out as a moist oasis in the vast desert of Buncombe's bone dryness. Similar oases were discovered in the Mecklenburg and Catawba elections, among others, with Charlotte at obvious odds with the prohibitionists of rural Mecklenburg and Hickory plumping for stores on

ly to find itself overruled by the crushing dry majority among the rustics of the county.

And so the bright boys among the controllers are mulling over the idea

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British Minister Of Air on Missing Plane In England

London, July 28.—(AP)—An airplane carrying Sir Kingsley Wood, British air minister, was unreported today an hour and a half after it was expected to land at Belfast. Later it was learned that, because of rain and poor visibility, his plane and one other turned back and crossed the English coast near Barrow-in-Furness.