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## APPENDICITIS STRIKES TWINS AT SAME TIME



Dorothy and Doris Barber, identical twin sisters of Spencer, N. C., dress alike, go together all the time and share everything—including appendicitis. Two days after Dorothy entered the Rowan Memorial hospital at Salisbury, N. C., for an appendectomy Doris was stricken and underwent a like operation at the same hospital. Side by side they're recovering and together they'll doubtless tell you about "our operations". Dorothy's shown at the left—we think!

## Man Confesses Kidnaping Of Two Miami Girls And Assaulting, Killing One

Boca Raton, Fla., Aug. 10.—(AP)—A man booked as Charles Jefferson confessed to police today he had abducted two Miami high school girls with the intention of holding them for ransom, killed one and held the other captive until early today. Lieutenant E. M. Melchen, of Miami detectives, announced the confession at the Boca Raton police station, where Jefferson was held after his arrest near the scene of the slaying of 17-year-old Ruth Frances Dunn. Melchen reported that Miss Dunn and Jean Bolton, 19, were bound in the man's automobile, which he drove into a lonely beach section about 600 feet off the ocean highway between Miami and West Palm Beach. Jefferson, also known by several aliases, admitted criminally assaulting Miss Dunn Monday night, the detective lieutenant stated. He said

he killed Miss Dunn because she cried for help and became hysterical despite his warning that they were to remain quiet. Nude, shot three times and stabbed twice, the body of Miss Dunn was found beside a swamp early this morning two miles north of Boca Raton, in Florida's gold coast winter vacation area. Miss Bolton, pretty blonde, was under a physician's care at her mother's home. Her mouth bruised, the highly nervous girl told of having been bound and held captive since leaving her home Monday with Miss Dunn and Jefferson, who professed to be a "talent scout" for movie tests at Palm Beach. Jefferson, strongly guarded by detectives, was hurried to the Palm Beach jail after his reported confession. Earlier he had told of an accomplice, but police said this was not verified.

## Says A&NC Maintenance Has Lagged

Atlantic Beach, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Directors of the State-owned Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad Company heard contentions today that the line had not been maintained properly in recent months and counter claims that there had been "little, if any, under-maintenance," as they considered the arrangements for leasing the railroad to H. P. Edwards, of Sanford. Edwards and his lawyer, John G. Dawson, of Kinston, told the directors that they had not been informed that the property had not been maintained as it should have been since negotiations have been under way for the lease. Setting at \$25,000 a year for two years the amount he felt should be credited on his agreement to rent the railroad at \$60,500 a year, Edwards proposed that the directors name a committee to consider the matter with him, and try to reach an agreement. President H. P. Crowell of the rail-

## Mud-Slinging Now Rife At Y. D. Meeting

Pittsburgh, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Senator Claude Pepper, Democrat, Florida, asserted today the Republicans and "turncoat Democrats" have deliberately sent their spies to agitate here with a view to disrupting and confusing the convention of the Young Democratic Clubs of America. Pepper, keynote speaker at the convention starting tonight, talked to reporters after former Representative John O'Connor, Democrat, New York, defeated in 1938 in the "purge" drive, had charged the Roosevelt administration with attempting to control the convention here. The Florida senator said that coalition opposition that worked havoc for the Roosevelt program in Congress was trying to do the same thing here. "They are fear mongers," he said. "They have produced first one red herring, then another, but the Young Democrats understand their purpose, and all they will be doing is sounding brass and tinkling cymbal." A charge by O'Connor that Senator Guffey, Democrat, Pennsylvania, was among those trying to run the con-

## UCC Won't Decide Upon Labor Issue

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Aug. 10.—When the North Carolina Unemployment Commission yesterday handed down a decision denying unemployment compensation benefits to employees at the Highland Mills, of High Point, it did more than turn down the claims of Sam Pruitt and other employees of the concern which has been closed since its force refused to report for work June 5.—It served notice that Chairman Charles G. Powell and his associates, Mrs. J. B. Spillman and Labor Commissioner Forest Shuford, flatly refuse to become a jury to decide the rights or wrongs of every strike or lockout in North Carolina. It is almost unanimously agreed by

## Danzig Leader, In Backing of Hitler, Tears Into Poland

Free City of Danzig, Aug. 10.—(AP)—To a vast cheering crowd in Langer market place, Nazi leader Albert Forster, speaking with the full authority of his recent visit to Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, declared "in a serious moment" it was necessary "to protest against the threats of war uttered by Polish papers and speakers." The speculation on what message Forster would deliver had run along three lines, but no one besides Hitler and Forster could say which was right. The most conservative and generally accepted view was that the district leader, with Hitler's backing, would confine himself to rejecting in most positive terms any claims of Poland to Danzig and the demand on the part of the Polish press for annexing East Prussia.

## Government Plans Sharp Tobacco Cut

### Farmers, Buyers, Federal Men Agree to Seek Small Crop in 1940; Referendum on Control Will Be Held Later in Fall.

Washington, Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department had the go-ahead signal today with a 1940 flue-cured tobacco program to adjust production downward. Growers who met with officials and buyers yesterday to consider the price situation caused by this year's record production, decided that would be the best way to keep supplies in line with demand and maintain prices. The buyers informed the growers and the department that, in view of large marketings expected this year, 1940 marketings should be between 675,000,000 and 750,000,000 pounds. They estimated 1939 marketings would total between 735,000,000 and 950,000,000, or around 100,000,000 pounds less than the federal crop reporting board's July estimate of 1939 production. No decision was reached on when a marketing quota election by growers should be held to decide on the question of crop control for tobacco in 1940.

## N. C. Farmers Told To Raise Animals, Too

By Staff Correspondent. Upper Coastal Plains Test Farm, Aug. 10.—North Carolina's farmers must, from sheer necessity, turn from a "one-armed" to a "two-armed" system of agriculture—they must develop a system with plant production and animal production in nearly equal balance, Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, said today in an address at this Edgecombe county test farm of the State Department of Agriculture. He spoke on the occasion of the farm's sixteenth annual Farmer's Field Day and was heard by a large, interested crowd of farmers. He predicted success for Tar Heel farmers, once the "two-armed system" is adopted. "We have enough idle land, the needed labor, the long growing season, abundant moisture, nearby markets, and we can develop the other essentials of increased soil fertility and good pasture," he said. The change over to the two-armed system is no longer a matter of choice, but of necessity, Dr. Poe contended. "Our tremendous cotton carry-over predestines us to unsatisfactory cotton prices for years to come. Tractors and improved machinery, too, are reducing the number of farmers required to produce even our reduced volume of cotton. "And in the years ahead, three specific causes threaten to produce smaller demand and lower prices for tobacco: (1) The greatly increased carry-over of flue-cured tobacco from our 1939 crop; (2) the deter-

## Yugoslavs Speeding Defense After Refusing Axis Demands

### Peace Group Backs Slavs In Boldness

#### Premier Makes Air Trip to Italy to Convey Refusal to Permit Italy and Germany Territorial Rights in Event War Comes.

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, Aug. 10.—(AP)—German and Italian demands for use of Yugoslav territory in wartime were reported authoritatively today to have been refused by Yugoslavia, and orders were issued to speed up fortifications on the German frontier. Premier Cvetkovich took off shortly before noon (6 a. m. eastern standard time) in an army bomber for Fiume, Italy. From there he planned to go immediately to Trieste for discussions in which it was said he would declare rejection of the reported demands. It was said he would meet emissaries of Italian Foreign Minister Count Ciano in Trieste and might return to Yugoslavia before proceeding to Venice and Rome. (Italy's official news agency said the premier would inspect fascist recreation, social and welfare organizations.) The premier's use of the bomber was seen as a symbol of the will of this Balkan country to keep an armed and strict neutrality. Great Britain and France were said by authoritative sources to have told Regent Prince Paul on his recent trip to London and Paris that they would back Yugoslavia in case she came into contact with Germany and Italy. Her surrender in any such conflict would mean a severe blow to Rumania, Greece and Turkey, which have guarantees of independence from the British-French front.

### Lady From Wilson Holds Office For Deceased Member

Washington, Aug. 10.—(AP)—A 23-year-old young matron from Wilson, N. C., is giving soft-spoken answers to queries arising from the third Wisconsin congressional district. She is Mrs. W. W. Sterrett, who was Rachael Finch when she came to Washington from Wilson ten years ago. She married here in 1936. Mrs. Sterrett was secretary to the late Representative Griswold, Republican, Wisconsin, who died at the wheel of his automobile in holiday traffic last July 4. Planning to keep the office open until Griswold's successor is named, she spends most of her time answering inquiries from the Wisconsin district.

### Tydings Is White House Possibility

By CHARLES P. STEWART  
Central Press Columnist  
Washington, Aug. 10.—Senator Millard E. Tydings of Maryland, like Vice President Garner, owes a lot of his prominence as a 1940 Democratic presidential possibility to what was intended to be unfavorable advertising to him. Perhaps it's an exaggeration to speak of Tydings as a presidentially very prominent, but he's due to be a favorite son, any way. And he certainly is prominent in the ranks of anti-New Deal Democrats. The Free State already is coming out for him. If anti-New Dealers dominate the next Democratic national convention, they can't find any other candidate more anti-New Dealerish than he is. Supposing that hostile advertising is good advertising, the advertising Tydings has received has been worse, and therefore should be better for him than Garner's advertising. The comparatively unoutstanding

### Florida Is Warned Of Storm Near

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Weather Bureau warned the Bahama Islands and the southeast Florida coast today that a tropical storm of moderate intensity was moving in their direction. Forecasters said the storm was central at 7 a. m., about 40 miles east-southeast of Miami, Florida, and moving west-northwest at about 12 miles an hour into the Bahama Islands. The disturbance had increased from slight to moderate intensity, but the highest winds reported were 45 to 50 miles an hour. "If the present movement continues," the Weather Bureau said, "the center will pass near Waiting Island this afternoon and reach the vicinity of Nassau early Friday morning. "Cautions is advised all interests over the Bahamas tonight and in the southeast late tonight and Friday."

### Tobacco Forecast For August Shows Further Increase

Washington, Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department today increased slightly its estimate of 1939 production of flue-cured tobacco. The Crop Reporting Board said August prospects indicated a production of 1,028,460,000 pounds. The July forecast was for 1,022,995,000 pounds. Prospects were for smaller production in both Georgia and South Carolina than was indicated in July, but the board said this decrease was more than offset by increases elsewhere. The August forecast of production for all types of tobacco was 1,655,658,000 pounds, compared with 1,654,622,000 in July.

**Weather**  
FOR NORTH CAROLINA.  
Generally fair tonight and Friday; slightly cooler in central and northeast portions tonight.

### London Has "War Preview"



It took an accidental gas explosion to bring home to Londoners what war really would be like for the British capital. Here is a view of Queen Victoria Street after the blast, which wrecked an entire city block and injured 50 persons. Scene is reminiscent of bombed Madrid or Shanghai. (Central Press)

## State School Commission Ready To Adopt Salaries

### Price of Tobacco Well Over 19 cts.

Florence, S. C., Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Carolinas Border Belt tobacco markets paid steady prices today for heavy offerings. Throughout the belt generally farmers voiced their satisfaction. The latest reports from yesterday's sales: Lumberton, 625,500 pounds, 19.87 cents average. Fairmont, 859,090 pounds, 19.46 cents. Fair Bluff, 101,224 pounds, 19.02 cents. Tabor City, 130,956 pounds, 19.08 cents.

### Negro Teachers to Get Raises to Narrow Gap With White Teachers; Latter Also To Get Some Raise in Their Pay.

Raleigh, Aug. 10.—(AP)—The School Commission neared a showdown vote this afternoon on the 1939-41 teacher pay schedule, but appearance of many delegations making various requests slowed disposition of business. Members of the salary committee had not met at 1:15 p. m. to draft the final report and recommendations, but it apparently would provide: Use of about \$117,000 for Negro teacher pay increases to close the gap between white and Negro salaries slightly. Use of about \$150,000 or \$160,000 to provide slight increases to white and Negro teachers with five to eight years of teaching experience. Increases in pay to at least some county superintendents under a new formula for figuring their salaries, so as to put them more nearly on a level with city superintendents. J. A. Pritchett and others from Bertie county appeared in connection with opposition to an order consolidating the Mars Hill and Powellsville schools. A big Bladen delegation argued over consolidation of the Ammon school with that at White Oak, which has been recommended by the county education board.

### Young Fred Snite, Of Iron Lung Fame Weds at His Home

Chicago, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Courageous young Fred Snite, Jr., who has been fighting for life in an "iron lung" for three years, was married today. The smiling, 29-year-old infantile paralysis victim, who has refused to let the handicap of an artificial respirator interfere with his many activities, took Miss Teresa Larkin, 25, of Dayton, Ohio, for his bride. The ceremony, which united the widely known "boiler kid" with the Ohio girl was performed in the Snite suburban home in River Forest by Rev. J. W. Morrison. Young Snite was in his iron lung as the service was ready. Announcement of the marriage was made by Snite's father, Fred Sr., who said the young couple planned to take a short trailer trip. Snite has a trailer specially equipped to carry the apparatus necessary to his life. Attendants for the couple were T. J. Dillon and wife, who is young Snite's sister. Snite's sister and Miss Larkin were friends at college, and the new Mrs. Snite had been a frequent guest at the Snite home. The bride and Snite have been acquainted for seven years.

## French Give Apology In Mail Fraud

### Ambassador Voluntarily Calls At State Department and Expresses Regret and Promises Probe of Smuggling in Diplomatic Mails.

Washington, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, disclosed today that the French ambassador, Count Rene de St. Quentin, had voluntarily informed the State Department last March of the misuse of French diplomatic pouches as charged in a Federal grand jury presentation yesterday at New York. Welles said the French ambassador called at the State Department in March on his own initiative, and stated that there had been a misuse of a French pouch. The ambassador, Welles said, expressed regret, and said an administrative inquiry would be made and disciplinary measures taken in France. The grand jury presentation said the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs conspired to smuggle commercial films into the United States. The ambassador called on Welles this morning and discussed the situation with him. The acting secretary said at his press conference no decisions were taken because he had not received the presentation, sent yesterday by the grand jury to Secretary Hull. St. Quentin told reporters he could not comment on the situation. **Olive Branch to Business.** A congressional committee and the new Federal Works Agency held out a hand to business, one asking advice on taxes and the other offering data to help the building industry meet vast governmental needs. The House tax committee, laying the ground work for a broad study of the federal revenue structure, invited business men to submit written suggestions for tax revisions. At Hyde Park, N. Y., meanwhile, President Roosevelt signed a bill appropriating more than \$180,000,000 for varied federal activities. The largest fund in the bill is \$119,000,000 for the Commodity Credit Corporation.

## U. S., France Join Britain Against Japs

Tokyo, Aug. 10.—(AP)—The United States and France were reported today to have declared to Japan their interest in economic problems arising from the war in China, adding a complication to the already stalemated British-Japanese conference. It was believed by observers that the question of including other powers in consideration of issues between Great Britain and Japan had become a new barrier to resumption of the talks. Sir Robert Craigie, the British ambassador, has insisted that Britain could not withdraw support from the central Chinese government's currency, because other powers were concerned. Authoritative Japanese sources said, however, that the Japanese minister-at-large in China has prepared the demand for resumption of the negotiations after his third visit to the British ambassador in as many days.

## Italo-German Ministers To Plan Policy

Berlin, Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Italian and German Foreign Ministers Count Ciano and von Ribbentrop will meet soon at Salzburg, Germany, it was announced today. "to consider the questions of common policy of the allied (axis) countries." It had been reported that representatives of the axis powers would meet on a plan of Fuehrer Hitler for settlement of the Danzig-Poland question. Von Ribbentrop has a summer home at Salzburg. (In Rome, Italian circles said Germany's claim to the free city of Danzig, particularly Italy's attitude, would be a primary subject of discussion. Ciano and von Ribbentrop also were expected to discuss Tokyo's terms for Japanese entrance into the German-Italian military alliance. (Japanese Ambassador to Rome Shiratori talked with Ciano last night while no official announcement was made, it was assumed that Shiratori reported on a conference he had with the Japanese ambassador to Berlin in Italy last week. Shiratori had said that a Japanese arms alliance with Germany and Italy had been agreed

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