

## HITLER WON'T YIELD; FRANCE MOBILIZING

### Tobacco Prices Move Upward

#### U. S. to Arrange Argentine Trade

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The State Department announced today its intention of negotiating a trade agreement with Argentina.

Overcoming difficulties which have hindered Argentine-United States commerce in recent years, the two governments have agreed to undertake formulation of the first comprehensive commercial agreement between them since the present treaty of commerce was reached in 1855.

Argentine meat, around which much controversy has raged since they were excluded on sanitary grounds from this country, is not among the products to be embraced in the trade agreement. Argentina was this country's most important foreign market in the Western Hemisphere in 1938 with the exception of Canada. Exports from the United States to Argentina totaled \$86,479,000.

#### Average Estimate Around \$17; Opening Day Figures Range From \$15.28 to \$19.16 In Official Averages Reported.

Raleigh, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Prices strengthened and quality of offerings was considered improved at the opening of the second day's 1939 season sales on the 14 New Bright Belt tobacco markets of Eastern North Carolina today.

Prices were estimated unofficially to average around \$17 per hundred-weight today. Opening tobacco prices yesterday ranged from \$1.50 to \$8.50 per hundred pounds lower than on the opening day last year, the marketing service of the State and Federal Departments of Agriculture reported.

Most of the cutter, lug and priming grades showed losses of between \$6 and \$8. Common to fair quality leaf grades were from \$1.50 to \$5 lower.

The bulk of offerings sold for between \$11 and \$22, the marketing service said.

Principal offerings were low to fine quality primings and fair to fine lugs. Priming grades and lemon color predominated. Some markets had fairly heavy offerings of leaf grades, mostly of lower quality. Low and fair quality cutters sold in limited volume.

Official reports by markets, include:

Wilson, 1,752,818 pounds for an average of \$17.11 per hundred.

Kinston, 1,508,240 pounds for \$15.63.

Wendell, 320,702 pounds, for an average of \$17.86 per hundred.

Smithfield, 392,478 pounds for an average of \$19.16 per hundred.

Goldboro, 296,028 pounds, for an average of \$15.28 per hundred.

Washington, approximately 300,000 pounds, average \$16.57.

Washington, 279,874 pounds, \$17.22 average.

Greenville, 1,730,262 pounds, average \$16 per hundred.

Rocky Mount, 1,177,852 pounds for \$16 per hundred average.

### Shot Fatal To Bolivian President

#### Rigid Censorship Blocks News to Outside World of Nature Of Dictator's Death; Mention Made of "Accident"

La Paz, Bolivia, Aug. 23.—(AP)—President German Busch, youthful dictator of Bolivia, died at 2:45 p. m. today of a pistol wound officially described as accidental.

REPORTS ARE SILENT ON HOW BUSCH WAS WOUNDED

La Paz, Bolivia, Aug. 23.—(AP)—President German Busch, Bolivia's 33-year-old dictator, was reported by presidential palace physicians to be in a "dying condition" as the result of a pistol wound received early today. First reports did not say how the President was wounded.

First reports at the palace said the president's condition was so critical that "any one else would have died within a quarter of an hour after receiving the wounds."

Cautious palace statements indicated that the president was immediately taken to a hospital. General Carlos Quintanilla, Vice President Enrique Baldivieso and Minister of Interior Salinas hastened to his bedside.

Incomplete reports of an "accident" quickly spread through the capital.

General Quintanilla assumed charge of the government immediately and clapped down censorship on all telephone and cable services.

### Education Group Faces Salary Row

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Aug. 23.—When the State Board of Education gets around to consideration of the State School Commission's recommendations about what to do with the \$369,000 available for teacher and superintendent salary increases, the session isn't going to be a humdrum, cut and dried affair at which somebody will "move the recommendations be approved", and that will wind things up.

tentatively, the session is set for next Wednesday, August 30, and already "certain interests" have asked for a hearing before the education board, which ordinarily doesn't have much controversy at its sessions.

All indications are that the unannounced recommendations of the School Commission with regard to the salaries of county school superintendents have not met with complete approval of the county school

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### Belgium's King Pleads For Peace

#### "Worst Can Still Be Avoided", Leopold Says in Voicing Sentiments of Seven Small Nations Anxious to Remain Free.

Brussels, Belgium, Aug. 23.—(AP)—King Leopold of Belgium, speaking in the name of seven small neutral nations, appealed tonight to the world for peace and declared "the worst can still be avoided."

Earlier the king had been charged by the conference over Danzig, led by the desire for peace and independence.

Following a policy of watchful waiting, the little states of southeastern Europe appeared to hold the opinion that Germany was ready to try to dictate a Polish settlement.

Public reaction varied from sharp alarm in Roumania to undisguised satisfaction in Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Hungary, both of which had been under pressure to support Germany in the case of war over Danzig, to the view that such help was no longer necessary to achieve Chancellor Hitler's aims.

Hungarian Nazis printed a declaration in a Budapest newspaper that Hungary must seek a "totalitarian solution of her problem, with a change of regime."

Pelley, leader of the Silver Shirts. "This is a clear case," Dies said, "that Pelley and the Silver Shirts have undertaken by this method to secure information in advance and sabotage this investigation."

He asked Rhea Whitley, of committee counsel, whether in his opinion a case of contempt of the committee had been presented. Whitley's answer was that "perjury" was more likely involved.

Dies had the stenograph reporter read into the record of the open hearing the statements made by Gardner in executive session. These included specific denials that he was employed or had been employed by Pelley's group.

### Dies Charges Sabotage Of His Hearing

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Chairman Dies, Democrat, Texas, accused Fraser Gardner today of seeking a job as investigator with his House committee in order to "sabotage the investigation into un-American activities and obtain information for groups under scrutiny."

He made this accusation after hearing Gardner, a resident of Washington, testify in closed and then open session, first that he had no connection with any group under investigation, and then that he was employed by the Skyland Press, publishing house of William Dudley

### Roosevelt Speeding Back To The National Capital

Aboard the U. S. S. Lang, at Sea, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Gravely concerned over the European crisis, President Roosevelt abandoned plans today for exploration of the Gulf Stream on a fishing trip, and ordered the cruisers Tuscaloosa and Lang to speed to Sandy Hook, N. J.

The Tuscaloosa, carrying the President, is expected to arrive at Sandy Hook Thursday morning. Boarding a special train, the President will arrive in Washington shortly before noon.

Mr. Roosevelt was silent on what step, if any, he planned upon his return to the capital. Reporters recalled his recent

#### Pleads for Peace



King Leopold

Foreign ministers of The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland accepted invitation of King Leopold of Belgium and rushed to Brussels by train and plane to join in an urgent appeal to the great powers for peace.

### German And Polish Soldiers Meet In Brief Border Clash

#### Poles Say Germans Fired First in Chase After German Deserters Across Line in Poland; British-French Stand Heartily With Poles.

Warsaw, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The Polish Telegraph Agency reported today a brief frontier clash between Polish and German soldiers at Klucuzno, facing Breslau, north of Silesia.

This report said three German soldiers, in full uniform, crossed the frontier in pursuit of German deserters. Entering a windmill 153 yards from the frontier, they were seen by Polish soldiers, who ordered them to halt. Shots were exchanged, with the Germans commencing the shooting, according to the Polish report, which said the Germans escaped and one apparently was wounded.

Peasants Build Defenses.

Other reports from the frontier said that Polish peasants were busily engaged in assisting in the construction of trenches and defense fortifications. In Kepno, in Posenia province, it was reported that all women, old and young, shouldered spades and dug trenches.

Poland, heartened by the firm attitude of her guarantors, Britain and France, sought, meanwhile, to discount the possible consequences of a Russian-German non-aggression treaty. The Polish people also found reassurance in the fact that the projected pact has not been concluded. The Soviet communication, which referred to the "beginning of negotiations" with Germany, was used to emphasize this.

### Annenberg Accused Of Conspiracy

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(AP)—M. L. Annenberg, millionaire publisher, today was accused of conspiracy by a Federal grand jury, which also recommended dissolution of his vast racing news empire because "it depended almost entirely on illegal gambling."

The special federal grand jury, in session 27 days in its inquiry into alleged violation of monopoly and racketeering laws, returned a presentment along with its indictment of Annenberg and three others on charges of conspiracy to influence a witness before the jury. Today's action was entirely separate from that of another federal grand jury, which on August 11 accused Annenberg of the largest personal income tax evasion on record, more than \$5,500,000, including penalties, and yesterday accused him and seven others of conspiracy to violate the income tax laws in the operation of one of his companies.

### Ham Fish's Peace Effort Gets Nowhere

By CHARLES P. STEWART  
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Washington, Aug. 23.—Hamilton Fish, Jr., Republican representative from President Roosevelt's New York State congressional district, has attracted a good bit of attention recently while touring Europe, winding up as a delegate at the Inter-Parliamentary Union's convention in Oslo, Norway.

True, the Union turned down his plan to preserve peace throughout the Old World on the ground that it was impractical. However, Ham Fish was heard from. The other delegates knew he'd been in attendance.

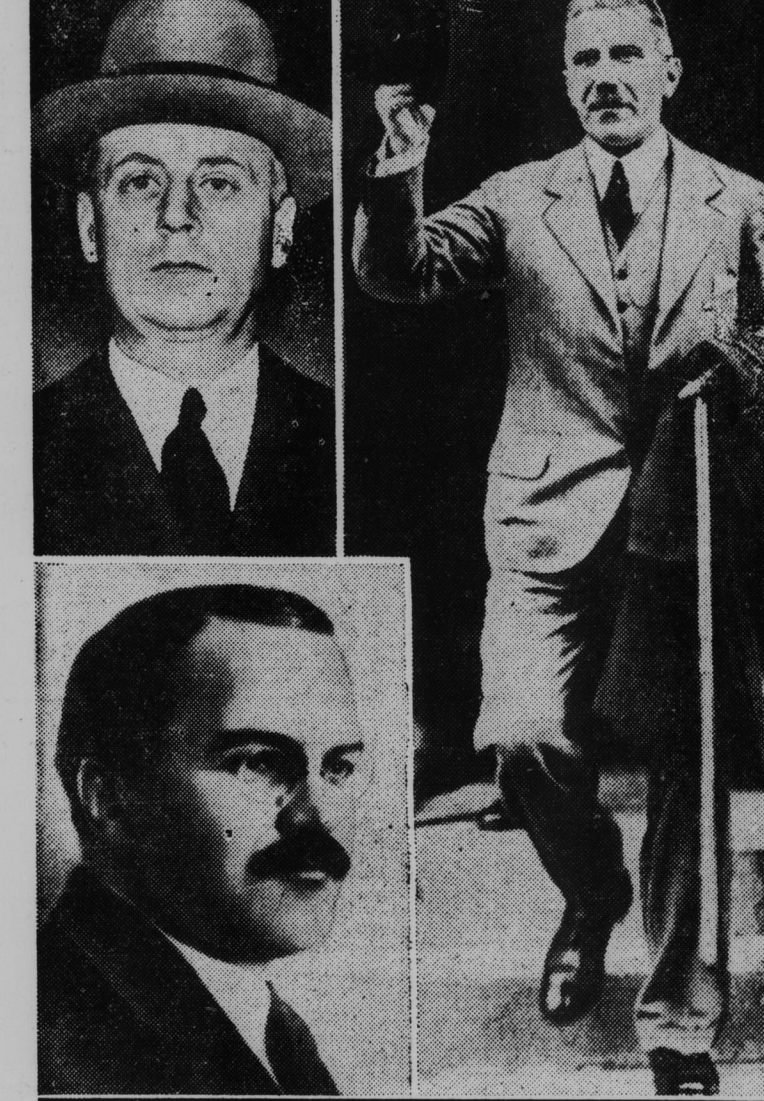
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#### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy, scattered thundershowers in north and west portions Thursday and in the mountains and near the coast this afternoon or tonight; slightly warmer in the mountains tonight.

#### Stun Europe with Treaty



Germany dropped a diplomatic bombshell into the European crisis with announcement that Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop (upper left) would conclude negotiations in Moscow for a non-aggression pact between the Reich and Soviet Russia, traditional enemies. Franz von Papen (right), recently returned from Russia, was believed to have negotiated the treaty with Vyacheslav Molotov (lower left), Russian premier and foreign minister.

#### New Land Speed Mark 368 Miles

Bonneville Salt Flats, Utah, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A new world land speed record of 368.85 miles an hour, better than six miles a minute was set today by John R. Cobb, London fur broker, in his 24-cylinder Railton Red Lion.

Cobb, who shot over the first lap at the phenomenal speed of 370.75 miles an hour, struck an average on two runs over the measured mile far above the previous mark of 357.5 miles per hour held by another Englishman, Captain George E. T. Eyston.

Cobb also smashed Eyston's kilometer record, with a speed of 369.74.

### Americans Told To Stay Clear Europe

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Americans are being advised by the State Department not to go to war-threatened Europe.

Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, said today the State Department was receiving inquiries from citizens as to whether they should travel abroad.

The reply is being given, he said, that in view of the very uncertain state of affairs in Europe, the State Department certainly would not encourage American citizens to go there if they could see their way clear not to do so.

With regard to American citizens already abroad, Welles said, the State Department is giving fullest discretion to the American diplomats in the various capitals. If the

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### ROCKY MOUNT MAN IS KILLED BY TRAIN

Rocky Mount, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A man identified by police as Sam Bartholomew, 56, local salesman, was fatally injured here this morning when struck by a southbound passenger train almost in the heart of the city.

Police Chief J. R. Thomas said the man was hit apparently while trying to cross the tracks at a downtown crossing. Bartholomew died a few minutes after reaching a hospital.

### 1,500,000 of Frenchmen Called Out

#### French and British Citizens and Other Foreigners Fleeing Germany in Fear of War; All Transportation Congested.

Berlin, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Reliable sources declared this afternoon that Adolf Hitler told Sir Neville Henderson, the British ambassador, the Germany could not modify her demands or vital rights because of the British guaranty of Poland.

These demands and "vital rights", it is understood, were:

1. The unconditional return of Danzig to the Reich.
2. The return of those sections of Poland which were once German.
3. A re-arrangement of Polish-German relations much along the lines of the protectorates of Bohemia and Moravia.

Hitler, according to advices considered reliable, is determined to settle the dispute with Poland in one of two ways. Either Poland yields to these demands peacefully, in which case there will be no bloodshed, or she fights, in which case Germany will see to it that a new partition of Poland occurs.

These terms, it was understood, have been communicated during the past 24 hours not only to the British government, but by special couriers to most governments of Europe.

#### QUICK MOBILIZATION ORDERED BY FRANCE

Paris, Aug. 23.—(AP)—France tonight ordered partial mobilization after an emergency meeting of her national defense council.

The order meant that French troops called to the colors will number somewhere between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000.

It meant, further, that men who had completed their military service less than two

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### Chamberlain Reply Hints Using Force

#### Resistance by Poland Means Nation Will Be Partitioned, Hitler Advises; Britain Informs Hitler She Will Help Poland.

Berlin, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Fuehrer Adolf Hitler has sent a detailed memorandum on Germany's uncompromising position regarding Poland to British Prime Minister Chamberlain, usually well informed sources said today.

Chamberlain's reply was taken to the Nazi leader at his Berchtesgaden chalet today by the British ambassador.

Hitler was believed to have told Chamberlain that Germany insisted on having Danzig and a full settlement with Poland. Hitler was further believed to have declared that

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#### U. S. Makes Plans To Get Americans Home From Europe

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Amid renewed discussions of American neutrality policy, plans were being perfected today to rush home thousands of United States citizens if war breaks out in Europe. Merchant ships will be relied upon to transport the majority of Americans from danger zones, officials explained, but they added that more than a score of naval vessels in the Atlantic squadron could help, if necessary. The subject was one of more than a score considered late yesterday at an unusual meeting of representatives from five government departments, who canvassed various neutrality problems without disclosing any decision.

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