

ARMS REPEAL MEASURE TO PASS BY FRIDAY

Finns Are Now Back In Moscow Hopeful Of Soviet Concession

Tax Boosts In 25 Years Are Near Unbelievable

State Spent Less Than \$5,000,000 For All Purposes in 1914; Last Year It Spent Over \$109,000,000.

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the St. Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Oct. 23.—When the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers recently issued an analysis showing that there had been "marked changes in state tax policies and practices during the past 25 years," it could hardly have stressed the fact that in no state have these changes been more marked than in North Carolina. It takes only the most casual sort of review of North Carolina's history for the past quarter-century to realize that changes in its fiscal policies and practices have been so vast as to be almost revolutionary. A study of the finances of North Carolina 25 years ago, and as of today make it hard to believe that the same state

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HOLINESS MEETING ELECTS OFFICERS

Williamston, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Rev. Jesse Hodges, of Goldsboro, was elected superintendent by the North Carolina Pentecostal Holiness convention here today. He has held the position for 16 years. Rev. Odell Howard, of Tarboro, was elected treasurer. Rev. Mr. Howard also was named a member of the board. Rev. F. H. Lancaster, of Goldsboro, was admitted to the conference on recommendation of the committee on examination of candidates for the ministry.

60,000 Tar Heel Workers Get Wage Hike Tomorrow

Washington, Oct. 23.—Wage increases for 60,000 workers in North Carolina go into effect at midnight tonight, according to estimates issued by the wage and hour division, U. S. Department of Labor. The minimum wage under the fair labor standards act increases from 25 to 30 cents an hour, with higher increases established by action of industry committees, and approved by the administrator, for the hosiery and textile industries. An estimated total of 71,100 workers in North Carolina will have their hours reduced from 44 to 40 per week, or will receive overtime pay at the rate of time and one-half the regular wage rate for

Two "Successful" Attacks on "Subs" Made by British

London, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The air ministry announced today that British airplanes had made two attacks on German submarines and both were "believed to have been successful." The announcement said one attack "took place in the North Sea, and the other in the Atlantic, many miles from the aircraft bases." "After both attacks, the pilots remained circling above the places where the submarines disappeared, and nothing more was seen of the U-boats", said the communique.

New Executioner Quickly Kills Trio In Pennsy Prison

Bellefonte, Pa., Oct. 23.—(AP)—A mild-mannered electrical engineer, beginning a career as Pennsylvania's executioner, quickly put to death three murderers in Rockville prison's coked electric chair today, then lighted a cigarette and remarked: "I'm not a bit nervous." For his 14 1/2 minutes of work, 37-year-old Frank Lee Wilson, of Pittsburgh, collected \$450, or \$250 for the first victim, Paul Serry, of Erie, Pa., and \$100 additional for each of the others, Willie Bailey and Ira Bob Redmond, Philadelphia Negroes.

Moscow Expected Not to Push Finland Too Far and Risk War With Northern Neighbor; Russia Professes Neutrality Course.

Moscow, Oct. 23.—(AP)—A Finnish delegation headed by former Premier Juho Kusti Paasikivi returned to Moscow today to renew interrupted negotiations with Soviet Russia. The atmosphere was considered hopeful by Finns as the diplomats stepped from their train and were received by Vladimir Barkoff, chief of protocol in the Russian Foreign office; a handful of minor Soviet officials and the envoys here of all the Scandinavian states. Observers pointing out Russia's declared intention of remaining neutral in the European war, expressed belief she would not try to push Finland too far and risk war with her northern neighbor. On the other hand, Finland was said to be prepared to yield somewhat to the Soviets' demands, possibly by allowing fortification of islands in the Gulf of Finland. The Finnish delegates, cautiously hopeful for a speedy conclusion of the talks, unless Russia increases her demands, expected to visit the Kremlin this afternoon or tonight. They stood by awaiting word that Joseph Stalin and Premier-Foreign Commissar Molotov were ready to receive them.

FRENCH PARLIAMENT CALLED TO SESSION

Paris, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Premier Daladier announced today he had decided to call Parliament into extraordinary session the second week of November to approve financial credits for the war.

Attorney Of Louisiana Is Kicked Out

Baton Rouge, La., Oct. 23.—(AP)—State Superintendent of Police Louis Guerre took over the office of Attorney General David Ellison today on what was reported to be an order from Governor Earl K. Long. Guerre walked into the quarters of the attorney general at the head of six State troopers. "We're taking over the office", he said, declining further comment. Ellison, who was appointed by former Governor Richard W. Leche last year, recently has been a participant in the investigation of State political scandals. Last night he qualified to succeed himself in next January's primaries, although ignored by the State administration, which announced its complete ticket several weeks ago, headed by Long for governor.

Embargo Foes—But Americans



U. S. Senator Hiram W. Johnson (right) of California, after his plea to maintain the arms embargo, is hailed by Senator Allen J. Ellender, of Louisiana. Senator Ellender was among those who spoke for repeal of the embargo.

Floods Of Early Winter Now An Ally Of France

Four of Hospital Babies Suffocate

Perth Amboy, N. J., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Four infants in the nursery of the Perth Amboy general hospital, two boys and two girls, died of suffocation early today when, Coroner James Flynn, Jr., said, a valve blew out of a radiator, filling the nursery with steam. Two other babies were revived by three physicians, who worked feverishly in an attempt to save the lives of the six children. Coroner Flynn quoted Mrs. Daisy McGuinness, nurse in charge of the nursery, as saying she had "found everything all right" when she inspected the room at 1:30 a. m. Thirty minutes later she returned to find the nursery "full of steam" and removed the infants from the room Flynn said.

Japan Likes Frankness Grew Showed

Tokyo, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The Japanese foreign office planned today a series of conference with United States Ambassador Joseph C. Grew for discussion of mutual problems, but said at the same time "the burden of finding an arrangement or settling them is not Japan's alone". No official reply will be made to Grew's speech before the American-Japan Society last Thursday, in which he said Americans objected to the "manifest Japanese interference with American rights in China."

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Yakichiro Suma, new foreign office spokesman, said at a press conference no official cognizance would be taken because Grew's remarks were delivered unofficially. He confirmed plans for talks soon between Grew and Foreign Minister Takahashi.

High Court Balks Upon Doctor Case

Washington, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The Supreme Court refused today to pass on the government's suit charging the American Medical Association with conspiracy to violate the Sherman anti-trust law by activities against a group health organization. Another opportunity to review the litigation undoubtedly will be given the high tribunal after a decision is returned by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. The government had appealed directly to the Supreme Court from an adverse decision by the District court. The medical association did not oppose this procedure. The District court ruled that the 1890 anti-trust law did not apply to physicians because they are engaged in a profession.

Writer Zane Gray Dies at his Home At Altadena, Cal.

Altadena, Calif., Oct. 23.—Zane Gray, noted writer and sportsman, died suddenly today at his home of a heart attack. He was 64 years old. Attending physicians said the author was suffering from coronary thrombosis, and succumbed to a sudden seizure early this morning. Gray attained fame and fortune through writing colorful novels of the west, most of which have been produced as motion pictures.

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair, slightly cooler on the coast and in mountains of south-west portion tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy.

Two-To-One Margin Expected For Bill When Vote Is Had

Two More British Vessels Are Sunk

London, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The sinking of two British vessels was disclosed today, with a total of at least 14 persons missing, and 39 survivors accounted for. Fourteen crew members of the 1,692-ton steamer White Mantle were missing and five survivors landed at an east coast port. Cause of the White Mantle's sinking in the North Sea was not given. The 3,227-ton coastal vessel Sea Venture, owned by the Dover Navigation Company of London, was reported to have sunk after an explosion. Its crew of 23 landed on an island in one of the steamer's boats and later reached a northern town in a lifeboat sent for them.

Republican Leader McNary Agrees At White House Neutrality Will Carry; Leaders Seek Agreement For Limiting of Debate.

Washington, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Senate leaders sought to wind up general debate on the administration neutrality bill today after reporting to President Roosevelt that the measure probably would be passed by Friday. Democratic Leader Barkley called the chamber into session at 11 a. m., an hour earlier than usual. He told reporters that there would be no more major speeches in behalf of the bill, and said his efforts were being directed solely toward obtaining a vote as soon as possible. Starting the fourth week of debate on the neutrality bill, Senator Wiley, Republican, Wisconsin, announced that he would oppose repeal of the arms embargo. Wiley had been uncommitted. Those present at the White House conference were Barkley, Republican Leader McNary and Vice-President Garner. McNary told reporters afterward that it was the consensus of those present that a vote on the measure would be reached by Friday. McNary is opposed to the administration bill, but he was reported to have agreed with Barkley and Garner that it would be approved by a two-to-one majority. During the day Barkley planned to ask the Senate to agree unanimously to limit further debate. One highly placed opposition leader predicted that an agreement would be reached.

Germany Is Looking For Long Fight

Poland Subdued and First Phase Over in West, Nazis Look to Consolidation of "Home Front"; Little Military Activity.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Germany's political army, the Nazi party, set out today to consolidate further "the home front," now that the first phase of the war in the west is completed, according to the high command, and the lightning campaign in Poland was ended nearly a month ago. There were no indications of how long Germany expected the armed conflict with Britain and France to last, but in preliminary meetings of party organizers the possibility was considered that the war may last months, even years. The high command's daily communique again was brief. It reported only artillery and reconnoitering activity on the western front during the last 24 hours, and said a trimotored British plane had been sighted Saturday over Konzen, 15 miles from Aachen, and then disappeared over the Belgian frontier. When foreign correspondents at their daily press conference inquired why no mention was made in the communique of a mine disaster to a German patrol boat in the Baltic Sea Saturday, and of an engagement between British and German forces in the North Sea, they were told that the information was classified as "top secret."

EARLIER SESSION PLANNED TO HASTEN VOTE BY SENATE

Washington, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Administration leaders in the Senate, backed by Vice-President Garner, made a final effort today to wind up the debate on the neutrality bill.

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Browder, Of Communists, Is Indicted

New York, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Earl Browder, secretary of the communist party in the United States, was indicted by a federal grand jury today on a charge of false application for a passport. Browder was taken into custody immediately, and arraigned before Federal Judge William Bondy. He pleaded innocent and was held in \$10,000 bail. No date was set for a hearing. The true bill was returned to Federal Judge Francis Caffey, who immediately recessed the grand jury for two hours. The communist leader testified September 6 before the Dies committee investigating un-American activities that he had traveled in Europe within the last two years on a passport bearing a fictitious name. The indictment said Browder applied for a passport on April 30, 1937, using the name of George Morris. He also obtained one February 15, 1933, using the name of Nicholas Dozenberg. The maximum penalty on conviction is a fine of \$2,000 or a five-year prison term, or both, on each count.

2 Americans Held Upon Spy Charges By Sweden Police

Stockholm, Sweden, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Two Americans and nine other foreigners were arrested today for espionage. The names of the Americans were not disclosed. Swedish police said the foreigners were taking photographs in a military zone.

German North Sea Raids Feelers Against British

London, Oct. 23.—(AP)—An air raid warning was sounded over the Firth of Forth area of Scotland today, but was cancelled a little later. The "all clear" was sounded 15 minutes after the alarm had been lifted about noon (6 a. m. EST) in other region of southeast Scotland. The persistence of the German flights over the North Sea toward vital British seaports and naval bases—alarms have been sounded every day except Thursday during the last seven days—was described by flying students as a form of feeling out the British defenses. In other words, despite claims of downing 13 German craft, or inflicting losses of about 25 percent of the invading squadrons, these were believed by many to be double-edged forays, having purpose of spreading anxiety, and mapping objectives more precisely for a wave of larger raids to come. An air ministry communique said the warnings sounded in the Firth of Forth area today were due to the approach of unidentified aircraft. It said the "all clear" was sounded about half an hour later when it was known that no enemy aircraft were in the area.

Hurricane Damage Aboard the President Harding



Deck gear, chairs and other articles are shown along a rail of the President Harding after members of the crew cleared up the litter caused when the vessel was buffeted about by hurricane enroute to New York. Seventy-three persons were injured and one man was washed overboard. The ship arrived with survivors of the torpedoed freighter, Heronspool.