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Senate Action on Farm Bill is Facing Delay

Lengthy Speeches On Amendments Are Indicated; Silver Question Before Senate

Washington, March 20.—Prospects that the billion dollar farm bill would pass the Senate by nightfall diminished today when several Senators indicated they would speak extensively on amendments.

Leaders predicted, however, that the big appropriation measure carrying \$201,940,022 more than President Roosevelt's budget estimates would pass tomorrow in substantially the form suggested by the Senate foreign appropriations committee.

Before a final vote the chamber had to act on a proposal by Senators Lee (D-Okla.) and Bilbo (D-Miss.), to increase a proposed \$212,000,000 fund for parity payments to \$27,000,000.

Before the Senate met to consider the farm bill its banking and currency committee took action on another question—whether the treasury's authority to purchase foreign silver would be repealed.

By a vote of 14-4, the committee approved the bill of Senator Townsend (R-Del.), to halt treasury buying of the foreign metal excepting that covered by existing contracts. Chairman Wagner (D-N.Y.), one of those who voted against the legislation, told reporters that the top heavy majority for it indicated that the Senate and probably the House would approve the proposal this session.

Other developments included: A proposed inquiry into the sale of late model air warplanes to foreign countries was postponed by the House military committee.

The veterans committee of the House approved a bill to grant \$30 a month to childless widows of World War veterans who died of ailments not connected with their war service.

All-Time Income Tax Record Seen

Collections This Year \$696,038 Ahead of March 31, 1938; Nearly Twice as Many Reports Filed

Raleigh, March 21.—Department of Revenue officials expressed the opinion Wednesday that income tax collections for 1939-40 would surpass all existing records.

Returns reached \$10,792,202.77 Tuesday which was only \$772,196.51 short of the \$11,564,398.28 high recorded in 1937-38.

R. L. Ward, Jr., chief of the accounts department, said collections this year are \$696,038 ahead of the amount taken in by the end of March 1938. Although the regular March 15 deadline for filing returns has passed three months still remain for collections from persons who were granted extensions and from those who failed to file before the deadline.

C. K. Cooke, Jr., chief of the income tax division, said 34,000 individuals had filed through March 16, compared with only 15,971 over the same period in 1937-38.

The large increase, Cooke said, indicates many persons were subject to taxation for income this year, rather than those persons had paid their tax early. Federal employees were required to pay state income tax under a new law.

In Washington, the Treasury announced Wednesday that it collected \$44,140,000 in income taxes in the first 16 days of March, exceeding by 25 per cent the corresponding figures of a year ago.

More than \$200,000,000 additional income taxes were collected, however, to have been taken in at regional internal revenue offices which will not be included in Treasury bookkeeping for another few days.

Jack P. Lang Acting District Labor Head

Washington, March 14.—Jack P. Lang, labor law expert and Supervisor of Inspector in North and South Carolina for the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, has been named acting regional director of this division, with offices in Charlotte and Raleigh.



Dr. W. L. Wooten, candidate for House of Representatives from Pitt County.

French Premier Deladier's Cabinet Tenders Resignation

Fail To Get Majority In House Vote; Three Hundred Abstentions In Chamber of Deputies at Time of Vote; Had Served Since 1938

Paris, March 20.—Premier Edouard Daladier and his cabinet resigned today after a weak parliamentary vote of confidence on his conduct of the war and tonight it was reported that Finance Minister Paul Reynaud had been asked to form a new government.

Daladier, premier since April 10, 1938, and clothed with virtually dictatorial powers, resigned after the Chamber of Deputies gave him a minority vote of confidence of 239 to one, with approximately 300 abstentions.

At 4 p. m., today according to circles close to the Elysee palace, Daladier telephoned president Albert Lebrun that he could not attempt to form a new government. Lebrun thereupon called on Reynaud, who has been highly successful in his finance post.

Paris, March 20.—Parliamentary reports tonight said that Paul Reynaud, finance minister in the retiring Daladier cabinet, had been commissioned by President Lebrun to form a new government. The president received Reynaud late today.

Paris, March 20.—The collective resignation of the French cabinet ended, at least temporarily, the nearly two-year-old premiership of Edouard Daladier today, aimed reports that he might refuse any immediate offer to form a new government.

Daladier's associates declared that he was far from pleased with the minority vote of confidence accorded him earlier in the day by the Chamber of Deputies.

Daladier handed the joint resignation of his 22-man government to the president shortly after a vote of confidence from the Chamber of Deputies which, because of about 300 abstentions, represented only active support from a minority.

Weed Firms Fined For Violating Act

Fayetteville, March 20.—Two Henderson tobacco companies have been fined by Federal Judge I. M. Meekins for violating terms of the fair labor standards act. Both pleaded guilty.

The Southern Tobacco Co., Inc. was fined \$2,500 on each of 11 counts, but all except one were suspended on condition that restitution be made on all wages due since October 28, 1938. James S. Cockfield, superintendent of the company's Wilson plant, was fined \$1,000 and his assistant, Hubert Carter, was fined \$1,000. The company was charged with failing to pay the minimum wage, failing to pay stipulated overtime wages, keeping full records, failing to keep records and shipping goods in interstate commerce in violation of the act.

The James I. Miller Tobacco Co. charged with handling tobacco of the Southern company, was fined \$2,500.

The American press is almost sure, think what you can buy, in the way of newspapers, for a few cents.

In Georgia and Florida. Prior to this time it was held factory in the North Carolina State Department of Labor.

East Carolina Railway to Continue It's Operations

Business Firms Along Route Pledge Their Loyal Support to Make Same Profitable

At a meeting held at the Farmville City Hall on Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock p. m., and called by the Farmville Merchants Association to consider the proposed petition for abandonment of the East Carolina Railroad, there were present about forty persons from Farmville, Fountain, Pinetops, Macesfield, Tarboro and Snow Hill. Mr. F. W. Brown, general manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, of Wilmington, N. C., and Mr. W. H. Newell, Jr., manager of the East Carolina Railroad, of Rockingham, N. C., were also present.

The meeting was called to order by T. E. Joyner, president of the Farmville Merchants Association; he in turn called on John B. Lewis to read the minutes of the previous meeting held on Friday, March 8th, concerning the same matter.

Mr. Newell was then called upon to present the case for the railroad; he portrayed briefly the history of the East Carolina Railroad Co., stating that he became manager in 1935 and that business has been growing steadily worse since that time; that it seemed the convenience of the truck lines had appealed to farmers and business men of the communities served by the East Carolina Railroad. He stated that the road had been operated on a most economical basis; he further stated that the road lost approximately \$6,000.00 in 1939 in addition to fixed charges.

Several of those present then entered into a general discussion, bringing out the fact that the failure of the East Carolina to meet fertilizer freight rates in 1939 had caused a large part of the loss; several assured Mr. Newell that they were willing to make sacrifices in convenience in order to give the railroads more business in the future.

At this juncture, Mr. F. W. Brown, general manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, was called on. Mr. Brown, in a most impressive and clear manner stated the railroad's case, and frankly stated that operating a railroad was a business proposition, which must be done at a profit, if at all; he admitted that the East Carolina was not in position to subsidize the East Carolina and that the patrons of the road must take enough business away from the trucks and give it to the railroads; if we desire to keep that service; he also called for regulation of trucks and trucks freight rates, similar to the regulation of the railroads as a matter of justice and fair competition, explaining that under the present system, when the railroads finally got permission to establish a satisfactory rate, it was only a matter of a day or so for the trucks to again reduce the rates under the railroads. He then gave the answer to those assembled as to the disposition of the road, advising that no petition for abandonment would be made at this time, and that we would see just what progress was made during 1940 toward increasing the freight business of East Carolina Railroad; that we would come together again in the early part of 1941 and at that time decide whether the patrons of the railroad had been able to turn sufficient business to the East Carolina Railroad to justify their continued operation.

His proposition was gladly received and acclaimed by the entire assemblage as being fair and comprehensive.

It was the opinion of those present that sufficient traffic would be turned from the truck lines to the railroad to indicate the willingness of the East Carolina patrons to make sufficient sacrifice so that the railroad would make expenses and be able to continue operations between Tarboro and Farmville.

J. D. Cannon Seeks Office in County

J. Dixie Cannon, former Ayden mayor and present member of the town council, today announced his candidacy as Pitt County Commissioner from the Fifth District subject to the Democratic primary May 28th.

Mr. Cannon was named in 1928 to fill the unexpired term of Mayor E. A. Pittman of Ayden and served three elective terms after that. His second term as a commissioner of Ayden will expire in May.

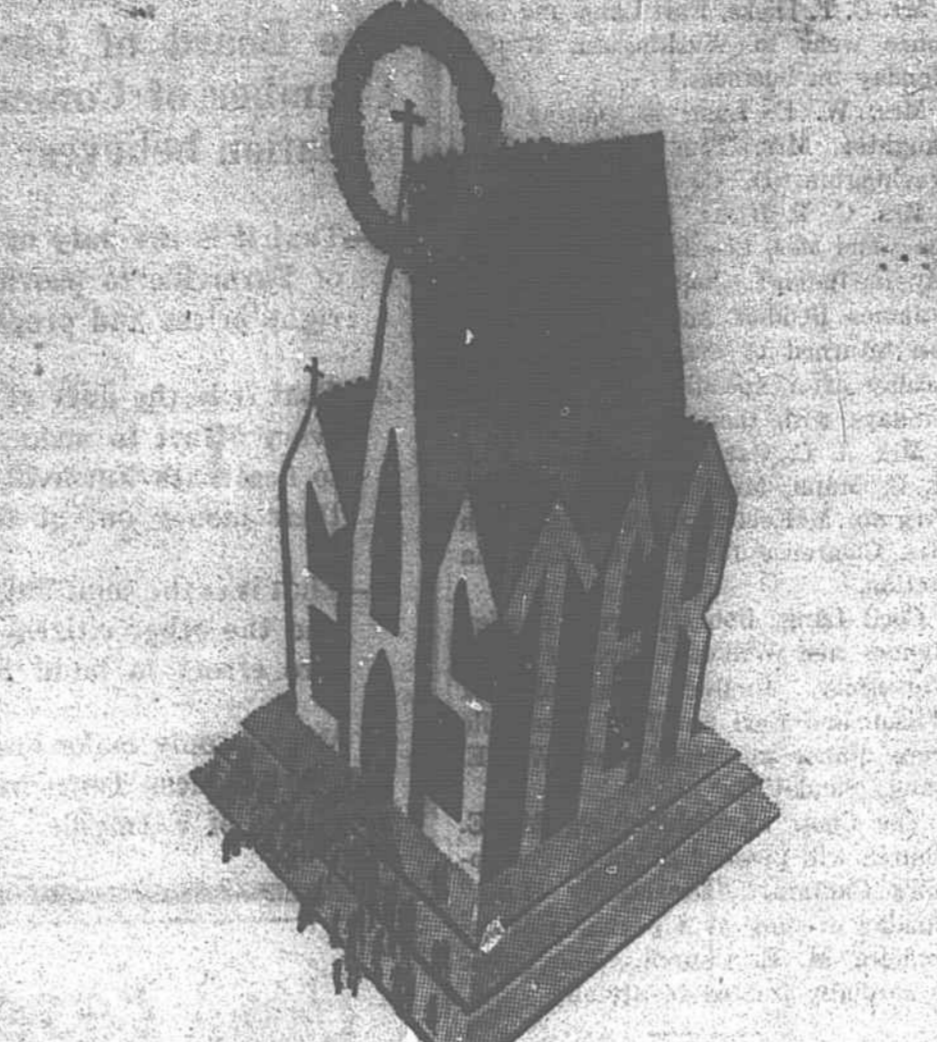
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The warm sun floods on the Church windows, making every little pane of stained glass a reflector of myriad rainbows... The music plays softly, inspiringly, and the choir's voices rise as one to sing His glory... Even after the music ceased, we can still hear its sweetness serving as a frame for the pictures of the events leading up to Easter triumph, drawn in words by the sermon-maker of the day... And though his thoughts be simple or delivered with oratorical emphasis... though his words be understandable to the smallest child or subtle in their meaning... he will reveal the meaning of this festival day, and each may share in the joy of Easter.

It is for every man to make his own happiness; to find in religion the particular kind of solace, inspiration, and peace which his own soul requires. It matters little that one man's interpretation of belief differs from another's; it matters much that he believe with conviction.

The special effort made by the Ministerial Association to center Farmville's interests in the Church during Holy Week, has met with splendid response, and the morning services, held in the City Hall, and evening services in the various churches here, have been well attended.

Social activities have been suspended except in those cases where arrangements for postponement could not be made, and the whole-hearted cooperation of citizens has been heartening to those having this undertaking at heart.

This season of special preparation for the DAY OF DAYS in the Christian Calendar, has proved to be one of inspiration and manifold blessing to those giving their support, and the churches, all of which are planning special song and worship services on Easter Sunday, will doubtless be crowded with those seeking the soul-filling satisfaction derived from this annual commemoration of the triumph of Life over Death.



Citizens Here Have Chance of Viewing Great Masterpieces

Showing For Benefit of School Picture Fund

The exhibit of Fine Art Prints, now being held at the Farmville Graded School in attracting many visitors and is eliciting the praise of all spectators. This splendid collection of 150 Fine Prints reproduced directly from the originals, is said to be the most artistic exhibit ever displayed here. The originals of these are in the most famous Art Galleries of the World.

The exhibit was arranged for by the school and the Junior Woman's Club, and will be open to the public for the small sum of 10c and 25c each day through Friday, March 29. This admission charge will be used for the purchase of pictures for the local school, the collection having been loaned here for the purpose of raising the funds to make this purchase and for the furtherance of Art Appreciation in the students and citizenship as a whole.

Joy in line, form and color was instinctive even in primitive man and this fundamental love of the beautiful can be made a great uplift to the personal character of everyone. These reproductions are of the finest type, showing the original color as well as the brush strokes of the original canvases.

Pitt Executive To Be Busy Man

Dr. Paul E. Jones, of Farmville, Chairman of the Pitt County Democratic Executive Committee, will be a busy man until the Democratic Primary in May is over. The Farmville duties he has filled his office creditably and with fairness. Pitt County Democrats say.

H. H. Barrill, Greenville attorney, chairman of the Pitt County Election Committee, is a busy man, with candidates for various offices announcing their names.

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British War Secretary Flays Foreign Critics Of Allied War Efforts

Stamp Sale Is Now On For All Crippled Children

Miss Tabitha DeVisconti Chairman For This Community

The Farmville Enterprise is in receipt of the following letter relative to the Stamp Sale for crippled children:

"The Seventh Annual Seal Sale of stamps for benefitting Crippled Children is beginning today to run for 10 days. The State League for Crippled Children is carrying, in cooperation with the National League for Crippled Children, this program being worked out in every county of North Carolina.

There is no paid executive to handle the affairs of the National or State organization.

Fifty per cent of the money from the sale of stamps for crippled children is deposited with the local Treasurer who is J. Vance Perkins, County Treasurer, Greenville, N. C., and the other fifty per cent sent to the State headquarters where the county may share dollar for dollar with state funds in the purchase of artificial limbs, braces, and appliances for corrective measures for crippled children, as well as the payment for glasses where children have defective eyes. It is truly a humanitarian cause in which our people have for the past three years cooperated 100 per cent in the sale of the seals.

Miss Tabitha DeVisconti has been appointed chairman for Farmville community.

Through Mr. D. H. Conley, superintendent of the school, there is a special organization in the county. Civic clubs, book clubs and business men generally are interested in this humanitarian cause and are glad to cooperate in sponsoring this cause.

Yours very truly,
K. T. Futrell, County Chmn.

Friends and classmates here will be interested to learn something of the progress being made in the educational field by Miss Marie Bolus, who moved in 1931 to Lawrence, Mass., with her family from Farmville, where she was born. Miss Bolus is now studying as a post-graduate at Lawrence High the subjects offered to seniors in the business course.

She graduated from the Tarboro grammar school and in the Great Distinction group with the Class of 1939 from Lawrence High.

In her senior year, Miss Bolus was vice-president of the Girls' Debating Club, a member of the Readers' and Commercial clubs, and received a Lawrencean key as a result of her effort for the High School paper. When a junior she was the girl Perkins Prize winner in her class.

The February 24th issue of one of Lawrence's newspapers, "The Evening Tribune," carries an interesting article submitted by Miss Bolus under Lawrence High School Notes, which, under the title of "Be A Mechanic," relates something of the mechanical arts department in the school.

Lacking sufficient space to publish Miss Bolus' article in its entirety, we are however, printing the following excerpts:

"One of the courses included in the Lawrence High school curriculum is the Manual Arts course. It was installed as a result of the efforts of our present superintendent of schools, Dennis E. Callahan, who, after an extended tour of high schools in the country, found that our high school Manual Arts division needed to be modernized and consequently he succeeded in effecting its renovation.

The purpose of this course is to acquaint boys with different trades and industries; to give them an opportunity to find themselves and to discover for what particular branch of work they are best adapted, rather than to make them of tradesmen.

Some of the boys graduated from the Manual Arts course further their studies in technical schools or universities.

The Manual Arts course students are required to study English, Civics, U. S. History, Public Speaking and Physical Training and they also receive general instruction in their subjects. They are, therefore, well-rounded students as well as technically skilled.

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Oliver Stanley Lashes Out at Neutrals Who Stand On Sidelines And Tell Nations Involved How To Carry On Conflict

FDR's Aide Sails Home After Talks

Completes Task For Which He Was Sent to Europe; Britains Seem Satisfied with Welles Visit

London, March 20.—War Secretary Oliver Stanley bluntly replied to critics of Britain's war efforts in the United States and other neutral countries by declaring to a luncheon audience today that "we intend to fight in our way and not in their way."

Stanley said that the foreign press had criticized Britain for a lack of enterprise and initiative.

"This is a dangerous lesson for neutrals to teach," he said, adding that "we are now learning that persons who ignore the rights of neutrals" receive their admiration.

Stanley, addressing the National Defense Society, lashed out at those who called this, "in language culled from the ringside, a proxy war."

"This is a phrase, said the war minister, used by people who, after a good dinner, sit down and urge two fighters to tear each other to pieces.

Speaking of "Germany's challenge," Stanley said that people across the ocean are thinking "how are we going to keep out of it; but they're in it."

"No one can remain indifferent to the result of the struggle," he said. "Do they (neutrals) really think that if we lose, life can go on as they know it."

"None can remain indifferent to the result of the struggle," he said. "They may be lucky. We may fight their battles for them."

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Genoa, Italy.—Sumner Welles, fact-finder for President Roosevelt, sailed for the United States Wednesday on the Conte di Savoia, winding up his strenuous tour of European capitals.

Welles' train from Rome arrived at 6:30 a. m. (12:30 a. m. EST). After four hours at a hotel, where he joined Mrs. Welles, the American undersecretary of state, went aboard ship.

He was accompanied by the secretary of Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo Ciano, who presented him to a delegation of Genoa officials assembled to bid him farewell.

Welles thus wound up a mission which took him to Rome, Berlin, Paris and London and then back to Rome, for conferences with the heads of state in each country.

He left America February 17, arriving in Italy February 25.

Britain Satisfied.

London.—The British government is "so satisfied with relations with the United States" that it is directing no special questions to America concerning the significance of Sumner Welles' European tour, but is "relying on their courtesy to keep us informed." Foreign Undersecretary R. A. Butler told the House of Commons Wednesday.

Charles Whedbee Seeks Re-Election

Charles Harry Whedbee, Greenville attorney and solicitor of Pitt County court, today announced his candidacy for re-election subject to the Democratic primary on May 28.

Solicitor Whedbee, a native of Greenville and son of the late Judge Harry Whedbee, received his elementary education in the Greenville city schools and was graduated from the University of North Carolina, where he studied law, in 1932.

He began his practice of law in Greenville following graduation and was elected solicitor of Pitt County court in the spring of 1936, assuming office in the following year.

The candidate for re-election is skipper of the Sea Scout ship in Greenville and is active in religious and civic development of Pitt County.

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