

PUBLISHERS OPPOSE 'ILLEGAL' PROBES

New York, April 28.—(AP)—The American Newspaper Publishers' association, having re-elected its principal officers, passed resolutions Thursday, condemning what it called unconstitutional acts of the senate lobby investigating committee and the national labor relations board.

James G. Stahlman, 43, publisher of the Nashville (Tenn.) Banner and one of the association's youngest presidents, was re-elected for a second one-year term.

One resolution condemned the senate lobby committee for efforts to "intimidate citizens in the exercise of their constitutionally guaranteed right to petition congress by attempting to compel them to turn over to the committee by the command of a dragnet subpoena their private records, papers and accounts."

It praised Frank E. Gannett, publisher of Rochester, N. Y., as chairman of the National Committee to Uphold Constitutional Government, for resisting the committee.

Another resolution warned publishers to resist any effort by the labor relations board to "call publishers to account for material they have printed and circulated," as the board said the resolution, has done in two instances.

Stahlman warned advertisers Thursday that they, like newspaper editors, "must jealously guard the reading material they place before the public."

This, he told a luncheon of the advertising club of New York, is a necessity toward maintaining a free press in the United States.

"The daily newspapers," Stahlman asserted, "are still the primary news disseminators and, likewise, the most powerful agencies of public opinion."

BOAT WITH 7 MISSING.
Hamilton, Bermuda, April 28.—(AP)—British naval planes and cruisers joined Thursday in search for a 29-foot whaling boat missing with seven men aboard.

THE PRINCE STEPS OUT

Riviera Holiday—With Juliana at Home



Cannes, France, April 28.—(AP)—Wirephoto.—Unconfirmed reports of a rift in the supposedly blissful married life of Crown Princess Juliana of Holland and Prince Ernst of Germany were heard this month after the prince stepped out for a gay holiday on the Riviera with his brother, Prince Ernst. Here's Bernhard with a woman identified as Mrs. Leslie, at a gala dinner party here.

CHURCH FACES REUNION FIGHT

Birmingham, Ala., April 28.—(AP)—The battle over reunion of northern and southern Methodists, split in 1844 by slavery, opened Thursday with disagreement among bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, meeting here to consider merger with other groups in the denomination.

The episcopal address, read at the opening of the twenty-third quadrennial conference of Southern Methodism, was followed by a dissenting statement offered by Bishop Collins Denny of Richmond,

Va., and signed also by Bishop Warren A. Candler of Atlanta. Bishop James Cannon took issue with statements of the two dissenting bishops that the episcopal address was "tantamount to recommendation" of the merger plan, and drew cheers when he added that the college of bishops did not consider the episcopal address the "place for an argument on unification."

Pillsbury Will Pay 40-Cent Dividend

Directors of the Pillsbury Flour Mills Co. of Minneapolis have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents a share on common stock. J. Irl Beatty, secretary, reported Thursday. The dividend, approximating \$220,000, is payable June 1 to stockholders of record May 14.

F. R. CONSIDERS 'INNER COUNCIL'

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commendations, and a bill to carry them out, had been completed. There were some indications that the message, expected to request alterations in the anti-trust laws, might call for some action at this session of congress.

The President revoked Thursday a 1934 proclamation requiring everyone to turn into the treasury any silver not in the form of coin or needed for genuine industrial or artistic purposes. Treasury officials said that practically all the silver involved has been purchased and the old regulations were revoked to simplify procedure in handling newly mined silver.

Begin Housing Hearings.
The house banking committee began hearings on a phase of the administration's spending-lending program—amendments designed to expand and speed up construction of low-cost housing.

Nathan Straus, administrator of the federal housing authority, said the changes in the housing act would permit employment of more than 300,000 men on project sites and in factories at next winter's peak.

Representative Woodrum, Democrat, Virginia, said the proposals went far beyond President Roosevelt's suggestion for a \$300,000,000 expansion of the housing program. "There will be very definite opposition to it," Woodrum said. He is a member of a house appropriations subcommittee, which is handling the omnibus relief and lending bill.

'SMALL BUSINESS' INCOME NEAR LAST YEAR'S FIGURE

Washington, April 28.—(AP)—Commerce department statisticians guessed Thursday that the income of small business men, professional men and landlords, as a group, has not declined in the last year in comparison with that of wage workers and recipients of dividends and interest. Although they estimated that the income payments received by all groups in the first quarter of 1938 was 54 per cent less than in the similar period last year, they said "the entrepreneurial group received about the same as last year. Dividends and interest dropped 24 per cent and wages about 7 per cent."

BUSINESS CAN SPEED BUDGET BALANCING, FARLEY DECLARES

Montgomery, Ala., April 28.—(AP)—James A. Farley, the national Democratic chairman, declared Thursday night that a balanced federal budget would come quickly if business co-operated with government, but slowly if the country were "screwed into panic" by foes of the President.

Farley charged that unlimited campaign funds were being "poured out all over the country" in an effort to discredit the Roosevelt administration in this year's congressional elections.

"The Liberty league may be dead," he said, "but its money bags go marching on."

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Three students of South High school Thursday won the right to compete in the city-wide contest for original compositions in music when their compositions were chosen as the best submitted in their contest at their school. First place was won by Byron Harkin with his composition for violin and piano. Betty Jane Schervin was awarded honorable mention for her piano composition, and John Denala won second place with a composition for violin.

SOO LINE REVENUES INCREASE \$891,589

The Soo Line railway's gross operating revenues increased \$891,589 or 6.32 per cent, to \$15,001,436 last year, but operating expenses mounted from \$12,119,152 in 1937 to \$12,790,632, the annual report of C. T. Jaffray, chairman, showed Thursday. As result of this, combined with an increase in interest on funded and other debts, a big drop in nonoperating income, the net deficit of the Soo, charged to profit and loss, mounted from \$5,561,852 in 1936 to \$5,735,097 last year.

Freight revenue of the Soo gained \$803,929 or 6.74 per cent, to \$12,739,868, in 1937. Revenue from transporting grain and other farm crops rose \$490,842 over 1936; forest products, \$251,077, and manufactured and miscellaneous freight, \$217,791. There were declines of \$50,439 in revenue from livestock and its products; \$9,953 from products of mines and \$95,790 from less than carload freight.

An increase of \$267,218 in pay rolls accounted for much of the jump in operating costs last year. Higher wages, plus need of more employees to handle the traffic and higher costs of supplies, increased train operation expenses \$482,546 or 7.98 per cent.

HUNT MISSING MAN.

Missing since last Friday when he left the home of his brother-in-law, G. A. Kroening, 933 Fourteenth avenue southeast, Edward Sippl, 40, of Marathon, Wis., Thursday, was the object of a police search in Minneapolis.

Plan Reunion



Approximately 300 graduates of the River Falls, Wis., State Teachers college will gather at 6 p. m. Tuesday for a reunion dinner at the Minnesota union, Communion including left to right, Wilbur P. Ensign, Charles J. Foley and Carl Eggbrecht. Principal speaker will be J. H. Ames, president of the college, who will head a delegation of 20 faculty members.

TOWNS DEMAND CHANGE IN WPA

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WPA projects, who will be responsible to the village council," and "direct control of placing all men on jobs to be performed in Ouseo." Robbinsdale's council previously had prepared three resolutions, which were presented to Mr. Christgau.

The return of James Fleming as supervisor of Robbinsdale projects.

A voice in the administration of WPA in Robbinsdale. Co-operation between sponsors and WPA officials.

Mr. Ambrose said the rural communities committee "should see that other communities won't get into the same kind of trouble as did Robbinsdale."

Kranz Battles Reds.

Mayor W. G. Kranz of Robbinsdale said he didn't want to see "other towns fight Robbinsdale's battles, but we should organize to fight organized communism."

Mr. Edwards charged that the small communities are not getting their share of the gas tax monies returned by the state for construction and repair of roads. He said that Minneapolis is getting most of the benefits of the money returned.

Frank N. Whitney, city clerk of Hopkins, said he believed WPA has been useful in his city.

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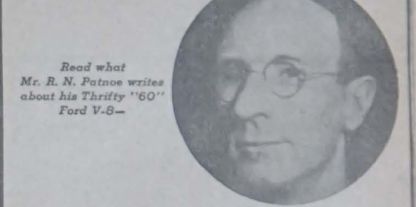
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Private Tornado Rips Through Iowa Farm

Centerville, Iowa, April 28.—(AP)—John Butkovich, farmer, next here, is the first Appanoose county farmer to receive a private tornado. While only a strong wind was felt elsewhere in the county Wednesday, a tornado struck the Butkovich farm home, ripped off portions of the roof and back porch, tossed them 100 feet into the air and scattered them over the front lawn. Other buildings on the farm were damaged.

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