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Washington, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Cotton 1926 crop ginned prior to January 16 totalled 6,069,517 running bales, counting 611,052 round bales and excluding linters, census bureau announced today. Ginnings to date last year were 5,499,893 running bales, including 236,988 round bales. The department of agriculture, in preliminary estimate of production for 1926, placed the crop at 18,618,000 of 500 pounds gross weight, the crop over raised. At that large amount of cotton still in the fields in view of the price prevailing. Until the final annual ginning report is issued March 21st the exact size of the crop will remain doubtful. With Carolina ginnings were 1,455 bales.

OLERABLE CONDITIONS"
ALLEGED IN WAIF'S HOME

Served to Inmates Cost Only
Ten Cents a Day.

International News Service. New Orleans, La., Jan. 24.—The administration for the inmates of the former Waif's Home, now known as the Municipal Boys Home, 40 to 50 youths between 11 and 18 years of age, have been living under "deplorable conditions", begins to R. Ball, well known welfare worker, takes charge of the institution. Ball said that the food served inmates cost about ten cents a day each individual during the past year. For breakfast a beverage of coffee and bread was served, consisting of beans and rice, and bread and syrup. Sanitary conditions were said to be appalling; men towels or wash basins; one a week; dried themselves on out of underclothing. The maintenance, according to Mr. Ball, stated mainly of castor oil, which he said the conditions were much improved under his management.

ESTIGATION OF SALE
OF FEDERAL PATRONAGE

Recommended to Senate Today by Its
Judiciary Committee.

Washington, Jan. 24.—(AP)—A bill investigating the sale of Federal patronage was recommended to Senate today by its Judiciary Committee. The bill, introduced by Senator Clegg, provides for a study of the conditions existing in the South, the committee decided to broaden the scope to all states in the event there is no change to justify an inquiry. The committee approved a substitute resolution offered by Chairman Clegg, which directed the charges of sale of public office.

GE BEN LINDSEY
OUTSIDER FROM COURT

Decision of Superior Court Put Him
as Judge of Denver Juvenile
Court.

Denver, Col., Jan. 24.—(AP)—Judge Ben Lindsey was ousted as judge of the Denver juvenile court through decision of the state supreme court. The high court reversed the decision of the Denver district court in contest brought by Royal W. Graham, Lindsey's opponent in the 1924 election, and held that the ousted judge by Graham should be entered, and that the contest should be decided by the state supreme court.

MOCRATS CARRY TAX
FIGHT TO HOUSE FLOOR

Republicans Voted More Than a
Month Ago to Pigeon Hole BILL.

Washington, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The Senate today carried their tax reduction bill to the floor of the house, where it was placed on the calendar. The bill, introduced by Representative Garrett, of Tennessee, aims to reduce the federal income tax by 10 percent. The bill was passed by the Senate on January 10, 1926, but was not brought to the floor of the house until today. The bill is expected to pass the house by a large margin.

Government to Lift Chaplin In-
come Tax Liens.

Washington, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Attorney General Clegg today asked the government to lift its income tax liens on money held in the banks by Charlie Chaplin.

The tracks of the fire department called out early Sunday afternoon to the home of Carl Honeycutt, 1415 East Street. The fire was extinguished in a short time and firemen estimated the loss at about \$50.

Opposition to the Budget and Appropriation Bill Has Disappeared

Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel
BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 24.—With virtually all opposition to the budget and appropriations bill having disappeared and with committee hearings proceeding uninterrupted, the outlook is favorable for both houses to receive these measures from the joint committee possibly during this week. Of course there will probably be some flare ups here and there as the bill is taken up on the floor of the general assembly, but those in closest touch with the situation say that the opposition has dwindled to a mere handful and that neither the budget act nor appropriations bill are in any danger.

There was a sporadic attempt made soon after Governor McLean had presented these measures in behalf of the budget commission, to make it appear that the budget act endangered the legislative authority of the general assembly, in that it gave the Governor as director of the budget the power to scale down appropriations when it appeared that the revenue would be insufficient to pay for the appropriations. It was also made to appear that this amounted to a virtual veto power on the part of the Governor over the acts of the legislature.

However, when it was made clear to the members of the general assembly generally that this was an emergency power vested in the executive director of the budget to protect the state against a deficit, and that it could not be invoked except in appropriated that needed, opposition to it at once disappeared.

REPORT OF THE STATE EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION

Is Being Awaited by the Legislators
With Expectancy.

Tribune Bureau
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BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 24.—The report of the state educational commission is being awaited by the members of the general assembly with expectancy, especially its recommendations with regard to the advisability of the eight months school term and other matters relating to the needs of the state's school system. The report is now in the hands of the printers and it is expected that it will be possible to deliver the report to the members of the general assembly early this week, according to Governor A. W. McLean, who announces that he will release the report to the press when it is delivered to the legislature.

It is already known in a general way what the report will contain regarding the eight months school. The entire commission agrees that the eight months school term is sound in principle. But the majority holds that many sections of the state are not ready for the longer term, and that the cost of establishing it for the state as a whole at the present time is prohibitive because of the additional taxation it would entail. Thus the majority report will propose that the eight months term be held in abeyance for the present, and that in the meantime efforts be directed toward building up the present school term to a greater degree of efficiency, gradually lengthening it into the eight months term as conditions warrant and as ways and means to finance it become available.

The minority report, on the other hand, favors the immediate adoption of the eight months term on the grounds that it is necessary and should be provided even if it does boost taxes. The three women members of the commission and the two school men make up the minority.

So far the only proposal that has been made for the raising of the additional revenue necessary to finance the eight months term has been by the Raleigh News and Observer, suggesting that it should be raised by increasing the income tax on larger incomes, by increasing the tax on public service corporations, such as railroads, by increasing the tax on insurance companies. It is also suggested that the proposed license tax on automobile drivers be diverted to securing the eight months school instead of for a state highway police force.

These sources suggested will not provide enough of the necessary revenue, the suggestion is made that soft drinks and cigarettes might be taxed. However, the sentiment of a large assembly of the members of the general assembly seems to be in line with the stand of the majority report of the educational commission, to the effect that the cost of the eight months school would be too great at present, that the sections where it would go into effect are not only not prepared for it but are opposed to it, and that the best thing to do now is to increase the efficiency of the six months school, looking toward a gradual turn over to the eight months school. A number of experienced legislators have not hesitated to say that if the question of the eight months school were submitted to a vote either in the legislature of the state today that it would be overwhelmingly defeated. Not that most people do not approve of the theory, but because the expense at this time does not seem to be economically justifiable.

And as to the various methods suggested for increasing the revenue, there is almost unanimous agreement that it would be unwise to increase the state income tax beyond its present gradations, and a tax on cigarettes, tobacco and soft drinks has always been unpopular, and there is little evidence of change. The public service corporations and bottlers are already objecting to the present revenue bill on the grounds that the tax rate is too high.

So while the advocates of the eight months school argue that "where there is a will there is a way," indica-

In the same manner the claim that was made by the few who opposed the budget that it gave the budget director power to transfer appropriations from one institution or department to another, was effectually chloroformed when it was brought out that not only was this not the case, but that the provision whereby department and institutional heads could request the transfer of allotments from one use to another was included in the act at the request of these institutional heads, and not on the recommendation of Governor McLean, although he approved of it, since it would react to the benefit of the institutions. The director of the budget is not empowered to re-allocate funds from one to another, though a part of the same appropriation, unless the head of the institutions or department makes specific request that it be done.

Several members of the general assembly who were believed to be wavering in indecision as the result of these reports misrepresenting the real intent of the budget act, have since come out solidly in favor of the budget and appropriations bills, as the result of messages from the "people back home" who have refused to be misled by the anti-budget propaganda which has emanated chiefly from Raleigh.

As a result of the almost solid approval being given the appropriations bill, with the exception that many members of the joint committee think that a number of the estimates are too high, attention is rapidly being transferred from the hearings before this committee to the hearings on the Revenue bill which are just being put before the joint Finance committee.

SENTIMENT FOR A DECREASE IN TAXATION

If Revenue Measure is Revised
Downward, the Appropriations
Will Have to Be Materially In-
creased.

The Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel
By J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 24.—Apparently not satisfied that taxes have not been increased except within a few brackets in some of the privilege and franchise classifications, it is becoming increasingly apparent that a determined effort is to be made in a number of different quarters for a substantial decrease in the taxes now being imposed.

Notice has already been served on the joint finance committee that a number of different classes desire to be heard on the tax classification now contained in the tentative revenue bill, chief among these being the soft drink bottlers, ice cream manufacturers and similar industries who are maintaining that the tax now being imposed on them is too high.

At the same time a vigorous demand is being made on the part of chambers of commerce all over the state for a revision of the laws taxing capital on the grounds that the present laws are so severe that capital is either being driven from the state for other states where the tax rates on money invested in stocks and bonds is not so high, or that it is being driven under cover. The commercial bodies in Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and other cities are urging Governor McLean to act upon the suggestion made in his message and appoint at once a commission to investigate taxation in the state from this angle, so that it remains so far the present general assembly adjourns. Whether this will be done and a report made in time for consideration this session has not yet been determined.

However, there is a growing sentiment not only against an increase in taxation, but towards a definite decrease, and of the three major administration measures before the general assembly, it is not at all improbable to hazard the guess that more changes are likely to be made in the revenue measure than any other, although if it is revised downward, as now seems probable, the appropriations will also have to be materially reduced.

THE COTTON MARKET

Report Shows 16,069,517 Bales Ginned—Prices Rallied.

New York, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The cotton market opened barely steady today at a decline of 9 to 12 points in response to easier Liverpool cables, but rallied almost immediately. The report of the Census Bureau showing 16,069,517 bales ginned prior to January 15th, was evidently no larger than expected, and failed to create any selling pressure of consequence. On the contrary it appeared to bring in covering, while there was also good trade demand, and by the end of the first hour prices were about 12 to 15 points net higher, March selling up to 13.58 and July to 13.98. Some spot orders were uncovered on the advance, and after their execution trading became less active, but prices held within 4 or 5 points of the best. Private cables reported hedge selling and some local liquidation in Liverpool in advance of the opening report. Cotton futures opened barely steady: January 13.25; March 13.35; May 13.55; July 13.75; October 13.95.

Wilmington Theatre Quits Chaplin Films

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 24.—George Bailey, proprietor of the Royal Theatre, motion picture house here, states that no more Charlie Chaplin pictures would be shown at the Royal pending the outcome of the martial trouble between the comedian and Lita Grey Chaplin.

tions are that the general assembly is not going to provide the way to finance the longer term until the way for it is much more strongly expressed than it is at present.

Fought For



Mrs. Janet Beecher Hoffman,
New York actress, was
awarded funds to continue
her fight for custody of her
son, Richard Hoffman, Jr.,
who was awarded to his
father for nine months a year
after a separation action.
(International News Service)

DR. OSCAR HAYWOOD HAS MORE BLUE LAWS COMING

Plenty of Inspiration Comes From
His Constituents.

The Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel
Raleigh, Jan. 22.—The mind of Representative Oscar Haywood seems to be as permeated with blue laws as wash days are with boiling water does these seem to be any probability of a decrease in its productivity, for, according to Dr. Haywood, more bills of a blue hue will be shortly forthcoming.

Plenty of inspiration for these measures comes to him daily in the form of letters from his Montgomery constituents as well as from other parts of the state, Dr. Haywood says. "If I attempted to frame one-half the requests I received into bills," he said, "there would be enough work to keep the legislature busy for the next thirty days at least." However, although he is thoroughly wedded to the efficacy of legislation on moral questions, Dr. Haywood states that he will confine his efforts to only a few of the more pressing needs for moral reform.

"I believe firmly that you can keep people from being immoral by proper legislation just as you can keep them from being murderers," said Dr. Haywood. "If your laws you cannot wipe out immorality entirely, any more than you can stop murder by prohibiting it, but the law can go a long way toward checking the tendency of the age to disregard convention and toward moral laxity in general. What I want is a protection of moral people from immoral ones," Dr. Haywood said.

"North Carolina is in the main a rural state. Its people are rural people and as long as it remains so many of its laws should represent their sentiment," said Dr. Haywood. Though he is willing to be the official voice of these rural districts, Dr. Haywood seems to feel that he has been made the goat in more ways than one. "People in the state have in some way gotten the idea that I'm the man to introduce any bill that is the least bit out of the ordinary," he said, "and I've gotten more publicity than any man in the legislature in spite of the fact that others have entered measures much more stringent in effect than mine."

"The prosecution of Judge Brock arose out of claims made by Mrs. Lillie Campbell, who said that the jurist had collected \$1,200 for her and had failed to turn over any part of it. Judge W. F. Harding presided over the trial.

STATE AND DEFENSE IN NORRIS TRIAL CLOSE

Judge Began His Charge at 9:50 A.
M.—Fear of Injury to Norris.

Austin, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The State and defense closed their testimony in the Norris murder trial at 9:50 a. m. today, and the judge began his charge to the jury shortly afterward. Arguments to the jury are to be limited to six hours to a side.

Fear of possible injury to Dr. Norris caused his friends here today to ask bailiffs for permission to sit near him within the railing. When court opened a circle of close friends surrounded him.

W. M. Sherrill is confined to his home today by illness.

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STEADY RISE OF THE OHIO IS VIEWED WITH APPREHENSION

Residents of Five States
Along Nearly 500 Miles
of the River Note Steady
Rise of the River.

SOME TOWNS
UNDER WATER

Many Persons Have Been
Forced to the Second
Stories of Their Homes.
—Crest Expected Today.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 24.—(AP)—Residents of five states along nearly 500 miles of the Ohio River viewed with apprehension today the steady rise of the river which has driven hundreds of persons from flooded lowlands.

While the water was receding somewhat in the Pittsburgh area, where the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers merge to form the Ohio, with prospects that further danger of floods had passed there, the crest of the flood was moving steadily southward with damage to Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia and Kentucky territory.

Flood stage has been reached and passed in many localities, and further rises were predicted for the next 24 hours as the angry waters swollen by heavy rains, swept onward to the Mississippi.

The lower portions of a number of towns were under water many persons were forced to the second stories of their homes, or to seek shelter on higher ground; rail and automobile traffic was hampered; water supplies were endangered, and considerable damage was done.

Five days of rain in the Pittsburgh area sent the river on its rampage, and today the effect of the high water was felt as far west as Louisville. The crest of the flood in Ohio was expected to reach Cincinnati today, with a 57-foot stage.

Residents of the Louisville waterfront also were preparing to move after watching the Ohio creep to their doorsteps.

With Our Advertisers.

The Bell-Harris Furniture Company is now making an extraordinary offering of Wilton 9x12 rugs. They have a rug for every room in your home. Read now ad today.

Atwell & Fryling is a new firm opened for business in near of Fisher's store. They do acetylene welding, lock smithing, general machine work and electric repairs. See ad. in this paper.

The Ritchie Hardware Company is authorized agent for Westinghouse Mazda lamps. They cost no more. See ad.

Get in on the big bargain sale at the Parke-Bell Co.'s clearance sale prices every day. Phones 608 and 138.

New spring dresses at Efrid's, \$9.95 to \$24.50. New spring coats, too.

Ex-Judge Brock Convicted of Embezzlement Charge.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 23.—Walter E. Brock, formerly judge on the Superior court bench of North Carolina, was Saturday adjudged guilty of embezzlement, verdict being returned by a Forsyth county jury. By consent of both prosecution and defense, ruling upon motions to set aside the verdict was continued until the March term of court.

GREAT PROSPERITY PREDICTED IN SOUTH

Detwiller Says We Are Entering One
of the Greatest Industrial Eras of
Our History.

(By International News Service) Atlanta, Jan. 24.—Declaring that the southeast is entering one of the greatest industrial eras of the age, Paul D. Detwiller, president of the American Institute of Banking, assistant cashier of the Philadelphia Girard National Bank of Philadelphia and an outstanding financier, told the Atlanta bankers to prepare for progressive business developments such as they never had seen before.

Another noted banker who brought tidings of prosperity for this section was J. Martyn Turner, of the national executive committee of the Bank of Italy, San Francisco. In telling of the Impression Atlanta's growth had made upon him, Mr. Turner likened development of this city to that of California and the fast growing centers there.

"With the sound economic basis which the southeast possesses, encouraged by the unusual campaign of your enterprising city, which has made it more widely known throughout the world, you have a right to expect growth very similar to that of California." The South's industrial development is similar to that of the West and differs fundamentally from that of the East and North."

Find New Uses For Cotton.

Washington, Jan. 22.—To assist in solution of the cotton surplus problem the department of agriculture is seeking new uses for cotton and has made considerable headway along that line. Substitution of cotton for jute as a covering of cotton bales and for other articles appears to be the greatest single opportunity and big dent would be made in the cotton surplus if it is possible to replace the 75,000 tons of jute and more than 900,000,000 yards of jute cloth imported from India each year.

SEEK A THOROUGH INQUIRY INTO THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Promise of Another Congressional Resolution of Inquiry, Public Appeals by Labor, Etc., Today.

GALLIVAN MAKES
SPEECH TODAY

Representative Says That
Insidious Propaganda
Has Actually Reached
the Floor of Congress.

Washington, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Promise of another congressional resolution of inquiry, public appeals by labor, church and college groups in the United States, and a mass meeting in Mexico City at which the Washington government was denounced for its "imperialism" and "invasion of Nicaragua," all served to keep the Mexican-Nicaraguan controversial pot boiling over the week-end.

In a resolution prepared for introduction today, Representative Gallivan, democrat, Massachusetts, seeks a thorough inquiry into the Mexican situation, asks the State Department to disclose the finances of "pro-Calles propaganda now flooding this country" and declares "we cannot sit tamely while the red fires burning up Mexico are creeping closer to our border."

Gallivan asserts in the preamble of his resolution that "insidious propaganda has actually reached the floor of Congress," and that "at least one member of the staff of the State Department has been discharged following complaint by Ambassador Sheffield that there existed a leak from the Department to the Mexican embassy, here."

The American labor hopes the United States will "not play the part of an imperialist autocrat in its relations with Latin-American countries, but will prove itself to be by practice and precept, an advocate and proponent of the ideals of self government and democratic freedom," is an assertion made by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor in an article appearing in the American Federationist.

The administrative committee of the Federation Council of Churches declares in a statement that the present situation in Nicaragua and Mexico should "lead our government to formulate a clear policy for our future relations with the peoples and governments of Latin-America."

INVESTIGATION OF GRADE CROSSING ACCIDENT

Will Be Held Within a Few Days.—
Statement Made by M. P. Officials.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 24.—(AP)—An "extraordinary investigation" of Saturday's grade crossing accident which killed ten Baylor University students, will be held within a few days at Round Rock by Missouri Pacific Railway officials. This statement was made today by Milton Morris, passenger agent here, after he had talked with J. T. L. Brooks, of Palestine, superintendent of the Palestine Division, in which Round Rock is located.

The train that crashed into the large Baylor University bus which carried the Baylor Bear basketball squad, was the "Sunshine Special" crack train of the International Great Northern, one of the Missouri-Pacific Lines.

MEXICAN DELEGATES ON ARBITRATION APPOINTED

For the Arbitration of the Land and Oil Dispute With the United States.

Mexico City, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Excelsior publishes an unofficial report to the effect that the Mexican delegates to the Hague court have already been appointed for arbitration of the land and oil dispute with the United States.

The paper claims to have learned that Mexico will suggest The Hague court for settlement of the controversy by arbitration materials. The permanent court of international justice cannot be used for the purpose it adds, because Mexico is not a member of the league of nations.

TRIAL OF FALL AND SINCLAIR POSTPONED

Will Be Held April 25.—Postponed on
Account of Fall's Illness.

Washington, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Trial of Albert B. Fall, former Secretary of the Interior, and Harry E. Sinclair, on charges growing out of the lease of the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve, was postponed today until April 25th. The postponement was granted because of the illness of Fall, who is convalescing in New Mexico from pneumonia. The trial was to have started February 2nd.

Mitchell Convicted, Will Die March 11th.

Pittsburg, Kan. 22.—Pearle Mitchell, negro, tonight was convicted of first degree murder for slaying William Fogelman, aged man, in the store of M. V. Cheek, at Ore Hill, last Saturday night. He was sentenced by Judge W. C. Harris to be electrocuted March 11.

Atwell & Fryling is a new firm

opened for business in near of Fisher's store. They do acetylene welding, locksmithing, general machine work and electric repairs. See ad. in this paper.

Chaplin Today

SITUATION AT KIN
ANG IS RAPIDLY
GROWING SERIOUS

French Consul There Has
Been Arrested—Mob Violence
Endangers Life of
Sir Francis Aglen.

MOBS ATTACKED
THE BUILDING

Where He Was Confering
With Finance Minister of
Cantonese Government.
—Invade Corridors.

Paris, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Indo-Pacific agency says the situation at Kiu Kiang on the Yangtze River is rapidly growing more serious, and the French consul there has been arrested. The situation in the Yangtze ports is critical, he adds.

Renewed Mob Violence.

London, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Renewed mob violence endangering the life of Sir Francis Aglen, inspector general of maritime customs in China, broke out in Hankow on Friday.

Dispatches received today say Chinese crowds attacked the customs building where Sir Francis was conferring with Finance Minister Soong, of the Cantonese government. The crowds invaded the corridors and attacked Soong's bodyguard, but were finally dispersed by Cantonese troops.

Prepared to Leave for China.

(AP)—The fifth armored car company has been ordered to prepare to leave for China on a few hours notice. Nationalist Government Invites Powers to Join It.

Hankow, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The nationalist government in a manifesto issued today proclaimed its ability to enforce its will in nationalist China, and invited the powers to join it in negotiating new treaties with economic and territorial integrity as their basis.

"HIGHWAY ROBBERY"

Boy Sent \$3.00 For a Box of 300
Oranges "Prepaid."

(By International News Service) Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 24.—Hated harbored by a 13-year old boy against grown men who swindled him out of \$3 earned by dragging a bag of cotton under the hot Oklahoma sun rises from pages of a letter which District Attorney Clint W. Hager will read to the federal grand jury in seeking indictment of D. W. Nichols, H. D. Gaines and J. G. Grimes on postal fraud charges.

Details of how the 13-year old boy stayed out of school to pick cotton so that he might buy clothes and school material for his brothers and sisters and otherwise aid in supporting the family are given in the letter. Thinking that a box of 300 oranges for \$3, express prepaid, would provide a way of earning more money by selling the oranges at a small profit, so he could buy his family a Christmas present, he sent the three dollars, but did not receive the fruit.

Speaking of the case, he said: "I consider it worse than highway robbery."

"Probably when I am older," the youth wrote, "I won't have such little hate for them. Maybe then I'll have more mercy; but now, when I think of how I worked from sunup to sundown in the cotton fields, dragging a heavy sack with my bare shoulders and sore, I cannot think that they deserve any mercy whatsoever. I wish they would have to pick cotton like I have had to."