

SHORT ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS

Some of the Outstanding Happenings of Past Week, Gathered From Everywhere, Condensed For The Busy Reader.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The nomination of Roy O. West of Chicago to be secretary of the interior in the Coolidge cabinet to succeed Dr. Hubert Work was confirmed this afternoon by the senate after a long and bitter fight. The vote was 54 to 27.

London, Jan. 18.—Afghanistan today had its third king within the short space of a week, reports from Moscow purporting to be of Kabul origin indicated. The new king is Habibullah Khan, a rebel leader whose nickname, Bacha Sakao means "water boy." His accession followed abdication by Inayatullah, younger brother of Amanullah Khan, from whom Habibullah gained his throne only a week ago.

A far-reaching investigation of all phases of prohibition is planned by President-elect Hoover early in his administration. His views were outlined Thursday to prominent leaders in the almost continuous wet and dry controversy in the senate who were told that he proposed to appoint a non-partisan commission to conduct an inquiry and make such recommendations as it might deem advisable. The scope of the investigation would be almost unlimited, with the commission carefully studying the Volstead act itself to determine whether the difficulties in enforcement are inherent in that law.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 19.—A superior court jury here today found Geo. R. Marsh, wealthy former collector, guilty of the murder of Willard Smith, a drug store clerk. He was sentenced to die in the electric chair March 14. Marsh, scion of a wealthy Milwaukee family and frequent-er of exclusive clubs here where he attended Oglethorpe university, killed Willard Smith, 23-year-old drug store manager during an attempted robbery last October. He confessed but a plea of not guilty was entered by his attorneys who contended that he was a constitutional psychopath, incapable of distinguishing right from wrong. The verdict in a trial which lasted four days, came in less than an hour after the presiding judge had delivered his charge. Motion for appeal has been made by counsel for Marsh.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 21.—Sweeping aside comparatively feeble opposition, the Oklahoma senate late today suspended from office Governor Henry S. Johnston by less than a half hour after it had received five articles of impeachment voted last week by the house of representatives. In the swift moving succession of events, W. J. Holloway, lieutenant governor, notified Johnston that he was assuming the duties of the gubernatorial office during the period of suspension. The senate resolved itself into a court of impeachment and organized for the trial of the governor, and the house investigating committee, which returned the charges, resumed its inquiry into the affairs of the state department. The senate set January 28 as the day for Johnston's appearance before the court. The suspended governor asserted that while he felt the suspension had not been carried out in a legal manner he would not resist it.

Brussels, Belgium, Jan. 19.—Belgium rendered a tribute of esteem and gratitude to Herbert Hoover this afternoon and his king listened to a word of greeting from the distinguished American, transmitted from beyond the Atlantic by radio and telephone. Gathered in a large hall in the Palace of Academies were King Albert, Ambassador Hugh Gibson, seven members of the cabinet and a thousand prominent representatives of all classes. Premier Jaspar addressed them with words of appreciation of the work of Mr. Hoover as director of Belgian relief. Then the company donned headphones and listened to Mr. Hoover's response from Washington. After Mr. Hoover had concluded his tribute to the sacrifice and courage of the Belgian people during the occupation of their country in the World war, King Albert, speaking in English, expressed the gratefulness of his countrymen to the president-elect for the services he had rendered them as head of the commission for the relief of Belgium.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 19.—A new south today honored the man of Appomattox and the hero of Bull Run. Tribute was paid to Robert E. Lee on his 121st anniversary and to "Stonewall" Jackson, whose anniversary is Monday, in memorial exercises throughout the territory south of the Mason Dixon line. The Stars and Bars floated again in memory of the men who led the dauntless gray hosts in the sixties. Banks closed, state offices suspended business and schools conducted special exercises, many of the states observing a legal holiday. Virginia, on whose soil the battle raged and who gave to the Confederacy its famous chieftain, held notable exercises in Richmond and Lexington, Mississippi, who gave the Confederacy its only president, Jefferson Davis, honored Lee and Jackson at its home for veterans; the legisla-

THE NEWS AS TOLD BY THE CAMERA

What Are A Shapely Pair of Lips Worth?



Girls of New York have been asked what price they put upon their lips since a Los Angeles judge awarded \$7,112 to Thelma Gordon, a movie actress whose upper lip was marred in an accident. Left to right are Helen Gilliland, actress who places value of her lips at \$800,000; Blanche Cooperman, business girl who said she would rather be dead than have her lips disfigured; Tina Decker, who estimated the worth of her lips at a million; and Peggy Udell, stage star, who dreads to think of anything happening to her lips.

Farm Brothers Now Agriculture Deans



Frederick B. Mumford (left) and Herbert W. Mumford, two farm brothers who rose side by side to the head of two great agricultural colleges, one in Missouri, and the other in Illinois.

Hoover's Son



Herbert Hoover, Jr., 25, will soon become Director of the Radio Telephone Communications of the Western Air Express and technical assistant to the president, H. M. Hanshue it was announced in Los Angeles.

De... Engagement



Miss Helen Wills, tennis champion, denies rumors which circulated in San Francisco that her engagement to Fred Moody, San Francisco business man, will be announced soon.

Wife of Home Run King Burned



Mrs. George Herman Ruth with her Home Run slugging husband and their daughter Dorothy. Mrs. Edward H. Kinder was burned to death in a mysterious fire at Watertown, Mass., and it has been established that "Mrs. Kinder" is Mrs. Babe Ruth. Mr. and Mrs. Ruth had been estranged for three years.

ture was in adjournment in North Carolina in their honor, and in other states, including Kentucky, the day was observed appropriately.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Declaring that the federal courts are unable to try all the cases prepared under the national prohibition law, Secretary Mellon today wrote Blanton James Cannon, Jr., that it would be unwise to place \$25,000,000 in the hands of any executive office to use with "unlimited discretion" to enforce the prohibition law. The secretary's letter was in reply to a telegram from Bishop Cannon. Bishop Thomas Nicholson, president of the Anti-Saloon league, and Eugene L. Crawford, secretary of the board of temperance and social service of the Methodist church, south. They had urged Secretary Mellon to reconsider his action of declining at the present time an additional appropriation of \$25,000,000 for dry law enforcement. Secretary Mellon said that in his opinion it would be unwise to place so much money at the disposal of any executive official because the safeguard which should surround the expenditure of public money could not be provided under such circumstances. He declared he believed that more would be lost than gained if a fundamental principle was violated in the purpose of accomplishing in immediately some improvement in the prohibition or any other field.

DRYS IN SENATE SCORE SECRETARY MELLON

The first prohibition debate since the election broke forth in the senate Thursday with the drys transformed into critics of enforcement, leveling their attacks chiefly at Secretary of the Treasury Mellon.

The bone dry, Senator Harris, Democrat of Georgia, in urging his deficiency bill amendment to give the dry unit \$25,000,000 more than Mr. Mellon says he wants, amazed the wets by calling prohibition enforcement a "farce" and declaring that for every old time saloon there are now 50 to 100 bootleggers.

Veteran wets, like Reed of Missouri and Bruce of Maryland, were not sure they had heard the Georgian correctly. Bruce facetiously a short time ago took Prohibition Commissioner Doran at his word and proposed to give him \$270,000,000 to police the country. Harris, taking the same matter seriously, wants to have \$25,000,000 more to hire agents.

He had the senate clerk read a letter ex-Governor Pinchot of Penn-

sylvania wrote in 1927, denouncing Mr. Mellon as an obstructionist, to enforcement and citing the former 100 bootleggers per bar room.

Senator Harris charged that the dry law is being violated "ten times as much as it would be if we had the proper number of field agents." "The secretary of the treasury," he said, "is one of the best financiers in this country but he has been in that office eight years and he has not recommended the appropriation of one dollar additional to enforce this law, when every man and woman in the country knows the bootlegger is worse than the bar room formerly was because there are 50 bootleggers where there was one bar room and the law would protect us to a certain extent from certain

things that occur in the bar room." Later Harris raised his estimate to 100 bootleggers per bar room.

Trifling Encumbrance

"I'm bothered with a little wart that I'd like to have removed." Dr. Williams: "The divorce lawyer is at the second door at your left."—Kitty Kat.

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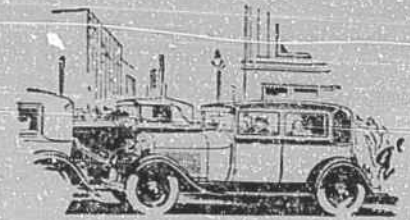
The Rexall Store BOONE, N. C.

An indictment with five counts charging Jacob Vandenburg with murder in connection with the death of five members of his family was returned by a Gaston county grand jury at Gastonia last Wednesday. Young Vandenburg has been held in jail without bail since Dec. 28, when the charred bodies of his mother, father, two sisters and a brother were found in the smoking ruins of their home near Gastonia. The state contends that the Vanderburgs had been killed and the house fired to hide the crime.

STOMACH TROUBLE

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ONE of the first things you will notice when you drive the new Ford is the quick, effective, silent action of its six-brake system.

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The many advantages of this type of braking system have long been recognized. They are brought to you in the new Ford through a series of mechanical improvements embodying much that is new in design and manufacture. A particularly unique feature is the simple way by which a special drum has been constructed to permit the use of two sets of internal brakes on the rear wheels.

A further improvement in braking performance is effected by the self-centering feature of the four-wheel brakes—an exclusive Ford development. Through

this construction, the entire surface of the shoe is brought in steady, uniform contact with the drum the instant you press your foot on the brake pedal. This prevents screeching and howling and makes the Ford brakes unusually silent in operation.

Another feature of the Ford brakes is the ease of adjustment.

The four-wheel brakes are adjusted by turning a screw conveniently located on the outside of each brake plate. This screw is so notched that all four brakes can be set alike simply by listening to the "clicks."

The emergency or parking brakes on the new Ford require little attention. However, should they need adjustment at any time, consult your Ford dealer for prompt, courteous, and economical service. He works under close factory supervision and he has been specially trained and equipped to help you get the greatest possible use from your car over the longest period of time at a minimum of trouble and expense.



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