

## State Relief Situation Pensions and the NRA

Taking Federal relief out of the hands of state agencies entirely, may be on the cards. The Administration's charges of corruption and dishonesty in the handling of relief funds in Ohio may be an opening gun in a move to force the states to do something more for their own unemployed.

Then, again it may be politics. Ohio is a pivotal state. The Federal Government has taken relief administration in Ohio into its own hands. Shrewd political observers here remark that liberal distributions for which the Federal administration can take direct and full credit will go farther in keeping voters in line for 1936 than relief administration by state officials under conditions which lay the local party organizations open to attack by the Republicans.

It is not putting it much too strongly to say that everything that is being done in Washington this year is done with an eye on the 1936 elections. Members of both houses of Congress, who believe they have their ears closer to the ground than the President can possibly have, are showing signs of impatience with the "reform" phases of the Administration's program, and talking in measures which they believe will retard economic recovery, or increase the opposition of business men to the party's policies.

Therefore a pretty definite policy of delay on important legislation seems to be shaping up, with the expectation that numerous bills desired by the President will be left over when adjournment comes. At the same time some of the President's warmest friends are counselling modification of some Administration measures.

Congresswoman Isabella Greenway of Arizona, who was, incidentally, one of Mrs. Roosevelt's bridesmaids at the wedding 30 years ago, this Saint Patrick's day just past, has lined up a strong opposition to the passage of the so-called "social security" bill, which all agree is a confused jumble of unrelated things. Mrs. Greenway's plan is to enact an old-age pension bill applying only to the indigent aged who are now on relief, or who may find themselves without support in the future, and let it go at that.

The Senate committee investigation of the working of NRA is the genuine thing, and not merely a perfunctory compliance with the President's desire to have that measure extended for two years more. The attitude of Senators is decidedly hostile. The betting here is that the law will be so amended as to exclude all but inter-state business from its provisions, continuing NRA for one year with maximum hours, minimum wages and collective bargaining provisions as they are now, for such remaining industries as it applies to, but with definite prohibition of price fixing or production control.

Similarly, there seems to be little chance that the drastic demolition of holding companies, asked by the President, will be authorized by Congress. Some regulatory and restrictive measure is expected, but nothing to cause honest business any alarm. Likewise in the case of the Administration plan to revise the Federal Reserve law and concentrate control of all banks and banking in the Treasury, the outlook is not good for any such sweeping program.

## LEADERS SPEAK AT U. T. W. MEET

A number of nationally prominent leaders of the United Textile Workers of America will address the North Carolina U. T. W. convention at Durham April 6-7, it is announced by W. W. Bibham, of this city, state secretary.

Francis J. Gorman of Washington first vice president; John Peel of Greenville, S. C., third vice president; R. R. Lawrence of Winston-Salem, president of the North Carolina Federation of Labor; George Googe of Atlanta, the southern representative of the A. F. of L., will be among the leading speakers at the convention, Mr. Bibham says.

Paul R. Christopher of Shelby is president of the state organization.

# SOLONS SEE EARLY ADJOURNMENT

## Dime-Store Heiress Through With Prince



NEW YORK . . . The dime-store heiress, the former Barbara Hutton of the Woolworth millions, is through with her husband, the Georgian Prince, Alexis Mdivani. At least so she said while making ready to sail alone from London for New York to ask divorce. They were married two years ago. . . . She says they are parting "the best of friends" and that not a penny will be settled on the Prince. Photo shows Prince and Barbara shortly after their marriage.

## SPENCER GETS LARGE UNIT OF REPAIR SHOPS

Richmond.—Operations of the Southern Railway machine shops in South Richmond will be greatly curtailed April 1 when approximately 60 per cent of some 100 or more employees and part of the equipment are transferred to Spencer, N. C.

Employees engaged in making heavy repairs at the machine shops will be principally affected by the move, it was stated. Workers employed in the moulding shop where castings and other mouldings are made for the entire system will remain at their jobs here.

Consolidation with the shops at Spencer is said to be in accordance with an economy program adopted by the Southern and other railroads which are making general reductions in expenses of combining units wherever it is possible.

## Winning Coiffure



NEW YORK . . . Helen Wolfe (above), was awarded a silver cup for the best coiffure for 1935 at the national convention of beauticians. It is known as the Grecian coiffure and will be much in evidence this season.

## Rowan Woman Physician Goes To Mission Field

Dr. Gladys Morgan of Salisbury was commissioned as a medical missionary to India on Sunday, March 31, at St. John's Lutheran church in Salisbury at the 11 o'clock services.

Dr. Morgan has had extensive training for her line of medical work. She is an A. B. graduate of Lenoir Rhyne college at Hickory, has her M. A. from the University of North Carolina; has an M. D. from the Woman's Medical college of Philadelphia; and has her license from the National Board of Medical Examiners to practice medicine.

After finishing her internship in Philadelphia, she spent a year in post graduate work in research in the University of Geneva in Europe.

She plans to sail from New York on S. S. Washington on April 10.

## Watchman To Help Advertise Carolinas

Joining with scores of other Carolina newspapers the Carolina Watchman will shortly inaugurate a series of advertisements prepared by The Carolinas, Inc., with a view of arousing Carolinians to a greater knowledge and appreciation of their states and stimulate development of means of carrying the Carolina message to the world.

Present plans contemplate launching the campaign with a full page advertisement to be followed by quarter-page ads at intervals of one week. This space will be contributed by this newspaper in furtherance of the aims of The Carolinas, Inc., a non-profit, non-promotional group of citizens of North and South Carolina interested in advertising the scenic, historical, recreational, agricultural and economic advantage of the Carolinas.

Plans for the program in Carolina newspapers were outlined to the North Carolina Press association last summer and at its most recent meeting and the movement has the wholehearted endorsement of D. Hiden Ramsey, of Asheville, president, and the Press Association. Nearly three-fourths of the approximately two hundred daily and weekly newspapers in North Carolina have agreed to participate in the program.

The Carolinas, Inc., was formed last spring. J. E. W. Wade, Commissioner of Public works, of Wil-

## N. C. Loses In Tax Exchange

State Received Only \$1.66 In Federal Relief For Each \$9.74 Paid U. S.

Washington. — North Carolina paid \$9.74 of each \$100 of taxes collected by the United States government last year, receiving in return but \$1.66 of each \$100 of federal funds expended for unemployment relief, according to treasury department figures.

Her income tax payments totaled \$12,957,991, or 1.59 per cent of the amount collected, and her total internal revenue payments amounted to \$260,405,991.48.

Against this, \$30,333,045.12 was returned from Washington for aid work, although North Carolina was one of 11 states whose relief work was carried on more than 90 per cent with federal funds.

This disparity that exists in federal receipts from, and disbursements to, states is strikingly illustrated, on the other hand, in the case of Mississippi which paid eight cents of each \$100 federal revenue, but had returned to it \$1.25 of each \$100 of federal relief expenditures. This figure is below that received by North Carolina, but her payments to the federal coffers were much, much lower.

The 1934 relief bill in North Carolina was \$23,372,926, of which \$22,168,305, or 94.8 per cent, was federal funds and the remainder, \$1,204,621, or 5.2 per cent, was raised locally. No state funds were used.

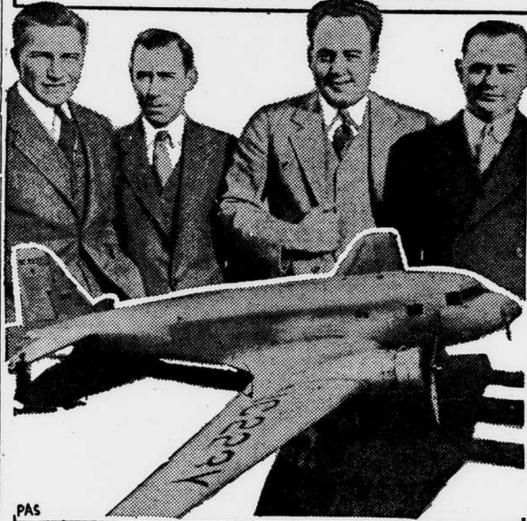
## Record Broken In Tax Receipts

Raleigh.—A total of \$2,854,038.50 was paid into the state's treasury Saturday, breaking an all-time record for one day's collection of taxes, George C. Scott, director of the division of accounts of the State Department of Revenue, announced.

Of the total, \$2,460,412.44 represented income tax payments. Sales tax collections totalled \$86,135.67 and license and inheritance taxes \$18,516.

Figures indicate that income tax collections this year will run about 25 per cent above those a year ago. In contrast with the Saturday collections, the state obtained \$1,300,000 on the corresponding day of 1934.

## Expect "Mystery Plane" to Find Hawaii



OAKLAND, Calif. . . . Interest in the Army "mystery plane" became intense as prolonged test flights of the radio compass robot-controlled craft indicated a 2400 mile hop to Hawaii might soon be made. Photos above show the Department of Commerce chiefs in charge of the tests. They are, left to right, Eugene Vidal, Clayton Bissonell, Chester Snow and Capt. Alfred Heegenberger. Below, the "mystery plane."

## Revenue Measure Containing Full Sales Tax Passed

Raleigh.—The \$62,000,000 biennial revenue bill, containing the three per cent exemptionless sales tax, was passed by the house and sent to the senate.

Final house action, by a vote of 78 for and 26 against, not including four pairs, marked a complete victory for the Ehringhaus administration and an equally complete rout of the McDonald-Lumpkin anti-sales tax forces in the lower branch.

The money bill will go to the senate. Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham said he would refer it immediately to the senate finance committee, where it is scheduled to be held for two days to allow hearings on sections changed in the house.

Senate leaders expect a further fight to lower the sales tax rate to two per cent or continue present exemptions of nine basic food articles. These were the main issues in the house.

## Big Upswing Is Reported In Construction

Raleigh.—A gain of 240 per cent in building operations in 10 North Carolina cities during February was shown in a report issued by the State Department of Labor.

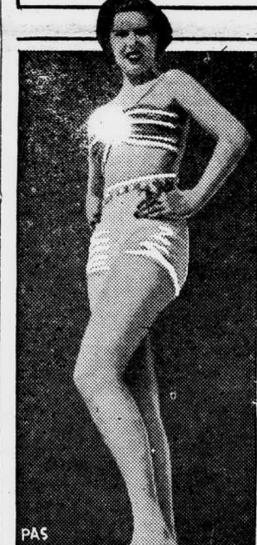
The estimated value of the building planned, based on the permits, is \$645,354, the report showed. The proportion of increase was largest in permits for residential structures, the total of \$308,325 comparing with \$47,100 for February, 1934, or a gain of about 550 per cent.

Raleigh led the state in increased building activity as permits for new structures and alterations totalled \$231,110, more than one-third of the total for the 19 cities. Raleigh led in new residential buildings planned with a total value of \$178,400.

Shelby led the state in permits for additions and alterations with a total of \$53,300. Charlotte led in contemplated construction with \$55,075. Charlotte was second in total state construction with \$123,511.

Durham, which led the state in February of 1934 with a total of \$43,274, showed a gain to \$68,668, but placed third behind the larger gains of Raleigh and Charlotte.

## Introduces the "Cleo"



MIAMI . . . Miss Maurine Kerns (above), introduced it to the beach crowd. It is the new "Cleopatra" swim suit, a smart 1935 style which gets its Egyptian name from the patterned wikie.

## Planes Forbidden To Fly Over Paris

Paris.—Airplanes now are forbidden to fly over the city of Paris.

The air ministry edict affects military as well as civil aircraft. However, special permits will be granted.

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## Assembly To Wind Up Work Inside 3 Weeks

Both Houses Resume Study Of Financial Matters

## MANY BILLS PASSED

Final adjournment of the General Assembly in two or three weeks was forecast over the week-end by Rowan County legislators.

The revenue and appropriation bills were still to be adopted but it was hoped they would soon be out of the way.

Quite a number other bills of state-wide caliber, but of lesser importance, remain unconsidered and unpassed.

Many other bills of importance to local committee are being ground out daily.

## Music Contest Winners Given

Annual State Competition Of Music Clubs Federation Held At Salisbury

The annual state contest of the State Federation of Music Clubs was held at Catawba college with a large number of entries.

The college served luncheon at noon to the contestants and officials. Mrs. Eugene Davis of Statesville, president of the State Federation, was general chairman of the event.

Winners in various events were: Violin—Class C, Mary D. Mamer, Hickory; Class B, Ann Carolyn White, Wilmington; Class D, Garland Robeson, Greensboro; Class D advanced, Deborah Reubin, Asheville; Class B ensemble, Pearl Lindy Sykes, Gertrude Gaines, Mary Elizabeth Powers, Marty Cockfield, Katherine Snead.

Violin quartet—Deborah Reubin, Alice Booe, Margaret Spire, Charles Lee.

Clarinet, Class A, Stanley Fitchell, Winston-Salem; Class B, Curtis Craver, Jr., Winston-Salem.

Piano—Class A, Emily Hine, Winston-Salem; Class B, Eleanor Reid, Wake Forest; Class C, Martha Carpenter, Gastonia; Class D, Mary Virginia Council, Raleigh; Class E, Helen Barley, Elon College; Class E advanced, Elizabeth Mendenhall, Winston-Salem.

Voice—Grammar grade, Helen Gwaltney, Winston-Salem; soprano, Evelyn Eddleman, Winston-Salem, baritone, Ted Bodenheimer, Winston-Salem; contralto, Mildred Sellers, Winston-Salem.

Piano duo—Class A, Emily Hine and Evelyn Whitlock, Winston-Salem; Class C, Martha Carpenter and Mary Lou Mackie, Gastonia; Class D, Mary Virginia Council and Peggy Royster Jones.

Hymn playing, Class C., Anne Rainey, Winston-Salem; Class D, Willeford Hahn.

## F. R. Wins Smashing Relief Bill Victory

Washington.—The road to an almost complete administration victory on the battered \$4,880,000,000 relief bill was fashioned Tuesday by the house, and, as the path opened, plans crystallized rapidly for spending the huge fund.

Most active in the plan-shaping was Harry L. Hopkins, the relief administrator. Strong indications appeared that he would have a heavy hand in the new system, either as a member or chairman of an administrative board composed of others now prominent in the alphabetical agencies.

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meanwhile moved for either deletion or complete revision of Roosevelt-opposed amendments attached to the bill by the senate. By a crushing 263-to-108 vote it subverted a silver bloc attempt to force acceptance of all amendments by the other branch.

Thus the bill was sent to conference with the senate, with conferees from both sides gunning particularly for the Thomas silver inflation rider.

Almost simultaneously there was activity in half a dozen different quarters for throwing the big spending machine into motion as quickly as possible.