

Southern Expansion At New Peak

State To Lose \$3,000,000 Tax

Month's Total Is \$88,644,000

Fund Will Go Into Treasury At Washington

N. C. Among 22 Others Failing to Enact Laws; Ample Notice Given, Says Board

Washington.—The North Carolina treasury will lose the \$3,000,000 that will be collected January 31, 1937, from employers for unemployment insurance, so far as the Social Security board is concerned, Chairman John G. Winant revealed.

This tax is now accruing and by January 31, 1937, each and every employer in the State who has eight or more persons on his payroll must pay the Government one per cent for 1936. Under the Social Security act. States having enacted an unemployment Social Security act acceptable to the board by December 31, of this year, will be credited with funds, thus enabled to distribute the money as part of the unemployment insurance.

Thus far 22 States have failed to pass such laws, among them being North Carolina, and Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus has declined to call the Legislature together to enact a law to match the Government tax on the grounds that the expense of an extra session would be too great.

Asked at a press conference if the Social Security board would ask Congress to amend the act so that these 26 states may retain the unemployment insurance fund, Winant said that the board would not do so, acting on the theory that "all States have had ample notice of the provisions of the law."

Attention then was called to the fact that the North Carolina Legislature had adjourned before the Social Security act was enacted by Congress, and that a resolution intended for State participation had been held inadequate.

Chairman Winant declared that he felt that the States had had ample notice, and again a question of constitutionality had been raised as to any change in the law that would be favorable to States retaining this 1936 fund for their year's credit.

Thus far North Carolina has taken no steps to participate in the Social Security act, though the machinery is being set up in the State to enroll workers for old age benefits under Title II of the act of which old age assistance payments will begin in 1942.

Workers now are being enrolled by the Social Security board following distribution of cards by postal employees. Chairman Winant said that employers had shown decided co-operation in filling out cards to reveal the number of employees on their pay rolls.

It is no secret that the whole problem of foreign relations is one which is giving the Administration more concern than almost any domestic question.

The State Department is inclined to feel that the civil war in Spain may result in precipitating general European hostilities, since both Mussolini and Hitler have announced their recognition of the rebels under the leadership of Gen. Franco as the de facto government of Spain and Great Britain has announced that it will resist any attempt on the part of the rebels to interfere with British commerce in Spanish ports.

The rebellion in Spain is definitely a fascist movement, to set up a government of the same dictatorial type as those of Italy and Germany, while the existing government of Spain is distinctly Communist and has the backing of Soviet Russia.

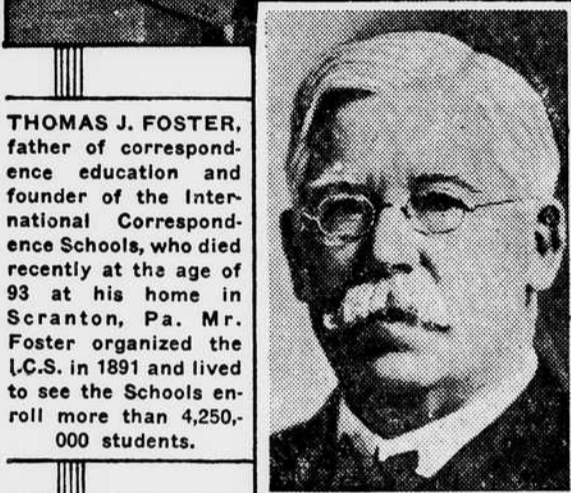
It is not difficult to imagine a

Demonstrations for the control of leaf spot and leaf scorch diseases have been placed with strawberry growers of the Rose Hill, Warsaw and Calypso communities as a result of heavy damage by these diseases this year.



PLANE RESCUES BOY—John Barnett, 11 years old, safely home with his aunt, after his rescue by a plane from a row boat adrift in Flushing Bay, New York City.

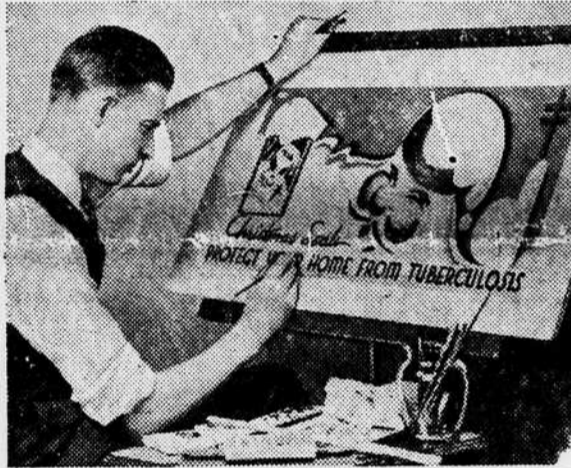
YOUNGEST MAYOR VISITS MAYOR OF NEW YORK—Daniel Kampan, 17, of Boystown, Neb., a village of orphan boys, who is reported to be the youngest mayor in the world visits Mayor La Guardia. The orphan boys' village has its own government.



THOMAS J. FOSTER, father of correspondence education and founder of the International Correspondence Schools, who died recently at the age of 93 at his home in Scranton, Pa. Mr. Foster organized the I.C.S. in 1891 and lived to see the Schools enroll more than 4,250,000 students.



FARM HOME EXPERT—Miss Eileen Pennell, who has been named Home-making Editor of The Country Home Magazine. She has had long experience in both home economics and editorial work, and is recognized authority in the field.



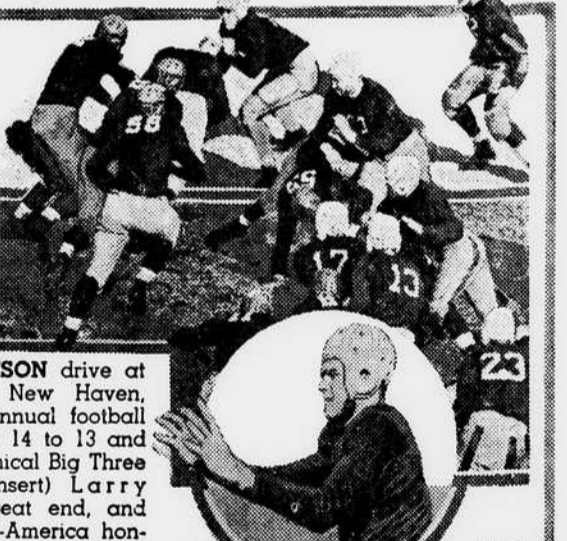
A DESIGN showing the twinkling, jolly old face of Santa Claus, popular symbol of Christmas, was submitted by Walter I. Sasse of Brooklyn, New York, and was chosen for the 1936 Christmas Seal.



SHIRTS FOR SPANISH TROOPS—Young girls and older women sympathizers with the revolution in Spain busily and happily work at their sewing machines to make shirts for the soldiers of General Franco's army.



HELEN HAYES—A new portrait of the celebrated actress who this season qualifies as Broadway's busiest lady. Six nights and two afternoons a week she stars in "Victoria Regina" and on Monday evenings in addition she broadcasts over the NBC-Blue network in "Bambi."



ELI STOPS CRIMSON drive at the Yale Bowl, New Haven, Conn., in their annual football classic. Yale won 14 to 13 and captured the mythical Big Three championship. (Insert) Larry Kelley, Yale's great end, and candidate for All-America honors, did his share to win for Yale in this, his last school game.



NORTH AMERICAN RACCOONS imported to England and kept in the London Zoo, are fed by visitors. The unusual little animals sit up on their hind legs and beg.



A EUROPEAN FAN DANCER: How do you think she compares with our own product?



RADIO'S NO. 1 SHOW IN REHEARSAL—Jack Benny and his cast look over their scripts preparatory to going on the air Sunday night over NBC's Red network. Left to right: Blanche Stewart, Walter Bunker, orchestra leader Phil Harris, tenor Kenny Baker, Don Wilson, director Tom Harrington, Mary Livingston and Benny.

40,000 School Bus Shelters Will Be Built

Raleigh.—State School commission officials revealed plans for a proposed WPA project to erect 40,000 school bus shelters throughout North Carolina to protect children from raw winter weather.

Lloyd E. Griffin, executive secretary of the commission, said the project would cost approximately \$800,000, of which the WPA would be requested to furnish \$480,000 and the State's 100 counties the remaining \$320,000.

School funds are not available for the work, he added. The proposed stations would be open sheds, measuring 6 by 8 feet, and facing the south. They would cost approximately \$20 each.

The State highway and public works commission has agreed to furnish gravel bases along the road-sides for all stations, Griffin said.

Scott to 'Fire' Women With Employed Hubbies

Raleigh.—W. Kerr Scott, commissioner of agriculture-elect, said he intended to discharge from the State department all married women whose husbands are employed at "good jobs."

At least one member of every "family combination" within the department also will be asked to resign, Scott said, adding that several brothers and sisters now are being employed.

The commissioner-elect said college graduates and men and women reared in the country would be given the preference in filling vacated positions.

Furniture Industry Shows Good Increase

High Point.—The furniture industry was employing 21 per cent more workers and running a 35 per cent larger pay roll at the end of October, 1936, than it was a year ago, it is revealed in a bulletin just released by Seidman and Seidman, certified public accountants.

"The index of furniture plant activity at the end of October stood at 85 compared with 81 in September and 63 in October, 1935," the report shows. "The industry had not previously reached this ratio in plant operations at any time since the fall of 1929."

RECOMMEND FIRE BREAKS TO PREVENT FOREST FIRES

The use of fire breaks and cattle grazing to prevent forest fires has been recommended in Pamlico County by Extension Forester R. W. Graeber, following a trip of inspection over the pine forests of that county.

Industrial, Construction Awards Reach \$859,423,000 For This Year.

Baltimore.—A new surge of industrial expansion during November set all-time records for construction and engineering awards in the sixteen southern States.

The Manufacturers Record reported that awards for the month totaled \$88,644,000 and for the 11 months of the year, \$859,423,000—the largest totals in the South's history for these periods. Of the monthly total, industrial awards amounted to \$44,415,000, approximately half.

"Steel interests, power companies paper manufacturers, rayon producers, all refiners and a widely diversified list of other industries contributed to the November figure," the industrial journal related.

Outstanding among the products was the \$35,000,000 expansion program of the Bethlehem Steel corporation, mostly at its Sparrows Point plant, near Baltimore.

In this connection, the publication mentioned a \$30,000,000 program announced in October by the U. S. Steel corporation for its subsidiary, the Tennessee Coal, Iron, and Railroad company, in the Birmingham area, and an expected \$2,000,000 expansion at Gadsden by the Gulf States Steel company.

Other large industrial contracts included one for the first unit of a \$7,000,000 plant the Brunswick Pulp & Paper company is building at Brunswick, Ga., and a \$5,000,000 plant of the Kieckhefer Container corporation of Belair, N. J., on the Roanoke river near Plymouth, N. C.

The Manufacturers Record said that while the power industry is facing keen competition of Federal projects," it had started forward on important additions. Among projects listed as just beginning or contracted for were:

Duke Power company, \$3,000,000 addition at its Riverbend steam electric generating station on the Catawba river near Charlotte, N. C., the Louisville Gas and Electric company, \$1,800,000 addition to its Canal Street station.

Rayon projects started or contemplated include: DuPont Rayon company, addition to its plant at Amphyll, near Richmond, Va., the Viscose company of Virginia, a large plant near Front Royal, and William J. Carter and associates, a \$750,000 silk and rayon goods plant at Greensboro, N. C.

Furniture Makers Announce Wage Boost

High Point.—The Briggs Manufacturing company, one of the larger furniture manufacturing businesses in the city has announced revision of wage schedules by which increases averaging 10 per cent in the firm's total pay roll will become effective Thursday.

This is the third furniture manufacturing plant in the city to announce a wage revision within the past few days.

Landis Man Dies Beneath Locomotive

Landis—Monday afternoon the railroad claimed its second victim in as many days in this section when A. Lawson Miller, 56-year old Landis service station proprietor, died beneath the wheels of a local freight train at Linn's Crossing in North Landis.

The accident occurred shortly before 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. Rowan County Coroner W. L. Tatum, who with Corporal C. L. Adams of the state highway patrol and Deputy Sheriff L. E. Tatum investigated the occurrence, said

Miller approached the crossing on a road parallel to the railroad tracks and in the same direction the train was moving.

The impact carried the light coupe several hundred yards down the track, scattering wreckage along the right of way. Miller was alone in the car. Two box cars were in front of the engine, the coroner quoted Engineer H. L. Cline as saying. Bert Atchison was conductor on the freight, which was number 61.