

# TVA HELPS USE OF ELECTRICITY

## Report Says It Has Blazed Way For Mass Production

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Tennessee Valley Authority said today in its annual report that it had blazed a trail for a new economic era based on electricity.

This possible key to the future, it said, was found by applying the principle that has become the badge of success for many American industries — "mass production and mass consumption."

A financial statement disclosed the cost of the whole program amounted at the end of the last fiscal year to about \$100,000,000 in congressional appropriations, after deducting "appropriations not advances" on June 30 of \$17,126,924.11. "Within the space of three years the (TVA) mass consumption program has gone far enough to have important meaning not merely for the Tennessee region, but for the entire United States," the report said. "These results are based not upon the experience of the authority alone, but on that of privately owned utilities which have cut their rates and entered upon a program of wider use. x x x Other regions have other and varying problems. Yet it may be said that the principles established here are applicable everywhere. The mass production and its consumption of electricity, here still in its experimental stage, may open a new economic era."

# Oliver Wall, 52 Dies Early Today

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 3 o'clock at the Palm Tree Methodist church for Oliver Wall, 52-year-old respected farmer who died suddenly at his home early this morning. Rev. R. T. Hous, pastor of the church, will be in charge.

Mr. Wall had not been in bed of health and had not been noticeably ill. He died suddenly in bed of a heart attack.

The following survive: his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Alston Bridges and two grandchildren; a brother, Tom Wall, four sisters, Mrs. Joe Sweeney, Mrs. Charles Fortenberry, Miss Ola Wall and Mrs. Romie Daberry, all of this county.

Interment will be at the Palm Tree cemetery. He was a native of that community and had lived the greater part of his life in that area.

# Release German Ship At Bilbao

(Continued from page one.) Slight resistance from the insurgents. Madrid authorities acclaimed a decision by the United States state department at Washington to allow Vimalert company, Ltd., to ship \$2,777,000 of second-hand airplanes and equipment to the Socialist headquarters at Bilbao.

They interpreted the export permit as evidence the United States believes it legal to permit shipments of arms to European governments engaged in civil war.

Hitler playing for time is believed. BERLIN, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler was described today by diplomatic circles as playing for time in the Spanish crisis, determined to give insurgent fascists another chance to capture Madrid before he promises Europe to withdraw aid.

The reichsfuehrer cut short his Christmas holiday at his winter home in Berchtesgaden, Bavaria, to return to the capital.

Officially he was said to have returned to attend the funeral of Gen. Hans von Seeckt, but it was thought undoubtedly interviews with Joachim von Ribbentrop, ambassador to London, and Gen. Wilhelm Faupel, Nazi charge d'affaires to Spain, were on his schedule.

Diplomats most concerned in the latest Franco-British demand for non-intervention have concluded they must wait a considerable time for Hitler's answer.

Der fuehrer, they believed, would not make known his decision, at least, until the result of Gen. Francisco Franco's present insurgent drive on Madrid is known.

Hitler's main play was said now to be for time in which to consult with Premier Mussolini of Italy before he decides to halt volunteer aid to Franco, or grant his request for more men.

AMERICAN EXPLORERS FLY OVER VOLCANO NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Two American explorers will gamble their lives tomorrow on their belief that an airplane can lift them five miles into sub-zero air from the equator.

# Time And Tide Wait For No Man



JANUARY, 1936—(upper right)—The supreme court wrecked the AAA. Veterans were made happy by passage of the bonus bill. King George V of England died; King Edward came to the throne. Meanwhile war threatened in various regions. FEBRUARY—Chancellor Hitler opened the Winter Olympics in Garmisch-Partenkirchen. MARCH—Disastrous floods in America. Germany, casting aside the Versailles Treaty, occupied the demilitarized Rhineland. The NRA was blown to pieces. APRIL—Emperor Haile Selassie fled from Mussolini's troops. MAY—The majestic airship Hindenburg arrived at Lakehurst. War seemed imminent in the Far East. JUNE—The bonus was distributed. The two major party political conventions were held. JULY—Roar of America's Fourth of July fireworks was echoed in Spain. AUGUST—The bloody Soviet purge led to the execution of sixteen persons. Jews and Arabs were engaged in sectional strike in Palestine. SEPTEMBER—Britain signed a pact giving independence to Egypt. The United States was burdened with the "Juncatun fringe." Dr. Townsden promoted his plan for a \$200-a-month old age pension, Father Coughlin attacked the president. Al Smith threatened to "take a walk." Black Legion trials were held. King Edward's romance with Mrs. Simpson first made headlines. Great Britain went off the gold standard. OCTOBER—There were airplane wrecks. Auto racers dared death on the turns. John L. Lewis of the Mine Workers broke with Bill Green, A. F. of L. president. NOVEMBER—With a resounding crash the Republican elephant collapsed when the Democratic donkey left his heelmarks in the election results. The re-elected President Roosevelt set out for Buenos Aires conference. DECEMBER—King Edward renounced his throne for love. Relations between China and Japan became severely strained. General Chiang was kidnapped. But Santa Claus brought this cheery message of good-will and, as indicated by Christmas buying, a new prosperity. JANUARY, 1937—Still in the offing with its burden of question-

# Shoots Man Who Killed Her Son

JACKSON, Ky., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Before a court room crowd, Mrs. Viola Wickline today shot and critically wounded Johnny Shepherd, 18, accused of the Christmas eve slaying of her son, Harvey Gabbard, 17.

The woman, pale and with eyes bulging, fired three times at Shepherd, a cripple, who had just taken the witness stand to testify at his examining trial on a charge of murdering Abbard. Moss Noble, an attorney, and a bystander named Moore were wounded by the shots which terrorized the crowd that partly filled the circuit court room. Noble was shot in the leg and Moore in the body. Their wounds were not believed to be critical.

They did indicate, however, new legislation to expand the existing neutrality act would be welcomed by the British.

# British To Ask U. S. To Ban Arms

(Continued from page one.) present to bar shipments from the civil war since the neutrality act did not recognize such domestic conflict.

Officials meanwhile considered details of a proposed six-power naval patrol to blockade arms shipments from the Iberian peninsula.

The British blockade plan would work through a patrol made of warships of England, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal and Russia and would replace all other neutrality efforts.

# FRENCH MINISTERS IN IMPORTANT MEET

PARIS, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The council of ministers was called today to consider French action in the face of what was believed would be an evasive German answer to Franco-British demands for non-intervention in Spain.

Sources close to the foreign office said the first reaction in fascist capitals to the warning to stop volunteers from aiding the Spanish insurgents was "scarcely encouraging."

Foreign office officials had said no "stalling" by Chancellor Adolf Hitler on their demand would be accepted.

France and England, they said, would consult on "necessary" steps to assure German neutrality in the civil war if an answer to their note of Sunday were not forthcoming "in a very few days."

The belief was current Germany's answer likely would evade the issue by demanding guarantee Russia withdraw support from the Spanish socialist government before fascist nations could promise to withdraw their helping hand from the insurgents.

# NO LAW IN U. S. FORBIDS THE SALE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A threat to European efforts against intervention in the Spanish civil war was seen today by diplomatic quarters in the state department's granting of licenses to export \$2,777,000 of second hand airplanes and engines to the Madrid loyalist government.

The licenses were issued yesterday to Robert Cuse, president of the Vimalert company, Ltd., of Jersey City, N. J., after he insisted on his right under the neutrality law to make such shipments.

Because the munitions embargo provisions of the neutrality act do not apply to civil conflicts like that in Spain, the state department has sought to prevent by moral suasion alone the dispatch of war implements to either side.

It had no choice, however, but to grant the licenses when Cuse applied.

# Federal Men In Search For Man

(Continued from page one.) the want ad columns, was to lead to negotiations for payment of the demanded ransom, the official said. Rumors arose in half a dozen places.

At Ft. Pierce police were told a man about 28, dressed in overalls, a blue blazer and a dark cap, ordered him away from a tan sedan as a small boy slept on the back seat. The man asked him directions to the Columbia river highway. Harrison said, and then ordered him to "beat it."

First clues faded rapidly. Capt. Harry Snider of the Washington State patrol cancelled without explanation a "pick up" order issued yesterday for a 1935 sedan whose driver was assertedly wanted for questioning.

Reports a second automobile, stolen half an hour before the abduction, might also have been used by the kidnaper, were not verified.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE TO MEET STATESVILLE, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A conference council on young people's work for the western North Carolina Methodist conference will be held here Jan. 1.

# Today's Markets

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Mixed price changes characterized today's early market dealings. A shade ahead at the start of trading were American Can, Douglas Aircraft, Deere and Texas Corp. Losers of fractions to a point or so included General Motors, Chrysler, American Telephone, Du Pont, Boeing, Loew's and N. Y. Central.

COTTON STEADY NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened steady, 3 lower to 2 higher on near month liquidation and commission house buying of late positions.

POULTRY FIRM NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Live poultry firm. No freight quotations.

RICHMOND HOGS RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Hogs 10.25.

WHEAT CLIMBS CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Surprise strength of the Liverpool market today, despite price breaks led to early upturns of wheat values yesterday this side of the Atlantic, here. Corn started 3-8-5-8 up and afterward reacted.

CLEVELAND: At Fisher Body Co. plant, president of local union said about 1,000 employes remained in plant to conduct sit down strike and that within 48 hours the whole General Motors will be shut down completely.

Berlin: Strong opposition in high government quarters to advancing more active support to Spanish nationalists, usually dependable sources said.

Oil & Gas Journal estimates domestic crude oil output week ended Dec. 26 at 3,125,613 barrels daily, decrease 11,727 from preceding week.

Secretary Morgenthau announces that treasury daily statement today and dated Dec. 24 would show for first time the "inactive gold fund" in which all future gold imports will be held.

U. S. District court at New Haven has authorized trustees of New Haven road to pay more than \$3,500,000 in interest overdue on bonds and debts.

Public Service of New Jersey 12 months ended Nov. 31 consolidated net income \$25,025,916 vs. \$24,175,483 in 1935. Nov. net \$2,426,958 vs. \$2,239,552 in Nov. 1935.

Despite record sales by Douglas Aircraft in fiscal year ended Nov. 30 net believed company will report net profit over \$1 a share vs. \$2.70 preceding year, development charges and extra ordinary expenses responsible for smaller net.

World copper consumption outside the U. S. during first 11 months of 1936, averaged 101,738 tons monthly vs. \$101,320 in 1935 and 90,085 in 1934.

Continuation of Libbey Owens Ford strike was voted at mass meeting Monday night by approximately 1,200 of the 4,300 workers of the two Toledo safety glass plants.

Indicated surplus of Atchison for Nov. exceeded \$1,500,000 which would bring 11 months net income to over \$7,100,000 vs. \$6,460,000 first 11 months 1935.

COTTON LETTER NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Prices advanced to new highs for the move yesterday under fairly general buying, selling was substantial, mainly realizing by longs. European developments evidently responsible for main part of the foreign purchases while excellent business at home and advancing tendencies of other commodities induced further speculative or investment buying and trade covering. Prospects for a continuance of the favorable conditions in general business lends encouragement. The situation as we see it, warrants a higher level of prices.

To Have Hearing WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Leonard Absher, 31, under \$5,000 bond in connection with the traffic death of Aas Spencer, negro, a week ago, will be given a preliminary hearing in city court Thursday.

# BOILING SPRINGS HOLIDAY EVENTS

(Special to The Star) BOILING SPRINGS, Dec. 29.—Mrs. J. W. Hunt was hostess to the Y. W. A. members at a lovely Christmas party at the church recently. A Christmas tree colorfully adorned centered the table around which gifts for children, who are less fortunate at this season than the average child, were assembled. Games and contests pertaining to the season were enjoyed. The hostess served a sweet course.

# P. M. WHISNANT, JR. IS WED TO MISS SELF

Two Families Move In Upper Cleveland CASAR, R-1, Dec. 29.—A large crowd attended the Christmas program given at Mt. Moriah school Wednesday night, Dec. 23.

Roosevelt Hunt, principal of Mt. Moriah school is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brice Hunt of Duncan's Creek. Misses Bonnie Price and Quessie Hunt of Boiling Springs College are spending this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Price and Mrs. Bob Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur and son of Micalville, spent part of this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Carpenter and his grandmother, Mrs. A. A. Whisnant.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hipps and daughter, Ruby, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Morrison of Lawndale.

Misses Bertha and Mamie Fortenberry of Valdese are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fortenberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Willis and family of Lincoln county moved into our community last week.

Cletus and Maylon Newton of Hickory are spending part of this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nolen Newton.

Master Warren Self of the N. C. School for the Deaf at Morganton is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Self for the holidays.

Miss Winnie Whisnant of Drexel is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Whisnant.

P. M. Whisnant, Jr. and Miss Mary D. Self of Casar motored to Shelby Dec. 17 and were married. Mrs. Whisnant is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lemmie Self of Casar. She finished high school at Casar in 1933. Mr. Whisnant is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Whisnant. He also finished high school at Casar in 1934. They are making their home with his parents at the present.

Miss Gillie Devenny of Drexel is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ada Devenny.

Miss Beadie Melton is spending the holidays with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Melton of Golden Valley community.

Misses Mary and Lillian Jones delightfully entertained many of their friends with a birthday Tuesday night honoring Erias Watts.

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Lall have moved into this community from Clover Hill community.

Roney Wall has gone to make his home with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Orey Wall of Drexel.

Mrs. Toley Wall is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Clem Wortman.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burnett and family made a trip to Wilmington last week for a few days' stay with the former's relatives.

Misses Rosalyn Pruette of Columbia, S. C. and Eloise Pruette of Charlotte spent a week with their mother, Mrs. J. L. Pruette.

Ralph Hamrick, who was injured in an automobile accident in Charlotte last week, is improving.

Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Hamrick and family of Charleston, S. C. visited relatives here for the holidays.

Mrs. D. J. Hamrick entertained all of her children, grandchildren and other close relatives with a bountiful turkey dinner on Christmas day. This is an annual reunion for the family and is enjoyed by a large number.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barry and family of Fountain Inn, S. C. spent Thursday and Friday here with Mr. and Mrs. Huff Hamrick and Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hamrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgie Lawhorn went to Carthage for a visit with the former's parents. They were accompanied by Wagram by Jim's Jenkins and Joe Jones, who visited their grandmother, Mrs. Watson for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bridges of Lawndale and Mr. and Mrs. Esley Bridges and family of Kings Mountain visited Mr. and Mrs. Rex Bridges through the holidays.

J. B. Walker had as his spend-the-day guests Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Doty and family and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Walker and family of the Rehobeth community.

Mr. and Mrs. Pelton Walker and son, Mrs. Velma Walker and children.

# Travel In Winston Theme Of Pageant

WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A parade depicting the history of travel in Winston-Salem will feature the city's "romance of transportation" pageant this afternoon.

The celebration also will mark the removal of street cars from the streets. They will be replaced by buses.

Mayor W. T. Wilson will preside at a luncheon for out of town mayors and other guests at 12:30 this afternoon. The parade, which will include vehicles ranging from oxcarts to airplanes, will follow at 2 p.m.

# S. G. Grice, 87, Dies In South Carolina

News has been received here of the death in Blackstock, S. C. of S. G. Grice whose wife is the former Miss Alice Miller of Shelby.

Mr. Grice was 87 years of age and was a member of a distinguished South Carolina family, being a son of the late Dr. Scott Brice and Mrs. Emily Moore Bryce, pioneer residents of Avon, Fairfeld, South Carolina. Surviving Mr. Grice are his wife, a daughter and two sons.

# THREE KILLED, EIGHT HURT IN WRECK

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Three men were killed, eight injured, and several shaken up in a series of smash-ups resulting from a truck collision on the Bel Air road early today.

The dead are: James B. Roicon, 39; James Bursick, 24; and Edward T. Romans, 19. All were Baltimoreans.

WILL LOSE 10 PER CENT OF CORN IN FORSYTH WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 29.—(AP)—County Agent R. W. Pou said today that farmers who have not harvested their corn would lose at least 10 per cent in crop value.

# JOHN WHITT IS IN JAIL AGAIN

## Held For Robbery 24 Hours After First Release

GREENSBORO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—John Whitt, released here Monday afternoon under bond of \$500, was back in the hands of the law today after less than 24 hours of freedom, charged with participating in an attempted store robbery at Aberdeen early today.

Whitt was arrested here Monday for South Boston Va., authorities who wanted the man on a charge of breaking, entering and attempted safe cracking at that place. The same charge is brought against him by the Aberdeen officers.

Isaac Coletraue, H. Barber and Nestle Jackson, each said to have police records, were arrested early today at Aberdeen when surprised in the act of looting a store building there. A fourth member of the party made good his escape and he was identified by the captured trio as Whitt. Greensboro police were notified and Whitt was picked up here shortly after receipt of the message.

# Moving Pictures Of Vocal Cords

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Professor Wilbur L. Schramm, of the University of Iowa, exhibited to a section of the modern language association of America today moving pictures of vocal cords in motion—photographed as they moved from 70 to 700 times a second in the course of ordinary speech.

Schramm said there were two main theories as to the part the cords play in the production of the human voice, one that they act like violin strings and send out a scale of complete harmonics, and the other that they merely emit puffs of air.

"All evidence so far acquired," he said, "points to the Helmholtz theory that the cords, act as vibrating string."

The pictures represented two years of research in the phonetics laboratory of the University of Iowa.

# Drewry Dobbins Holiday News

(Special to The Star.) DREWRY DOBBINS, Dec. 29.—An old time serenading was given Mr. and Mrs. Play Jones who have moved to their new home.

George Curtis is slightly ill at this writing.

Those who spent the Christmas holidays at home were Miss Bessemer Scruggs of Avondale and Miss Orlis Jones of Morganton.

Mrs. Paul McDaniel spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cline Workman of Casar.

Tommy Pittman spent the Christmas holidays visiting relatives in Polk county.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Butler and children spent one day last week in Kings Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Foster and children spent the day Sunday in Spartanburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Burg Vandye spent the week-end with Mr. Jim Conner of New House.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Holland during the week were Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ponder of Spindale, Johnny Greene of Sunshine, Oliver Butler of Avondale, Miss Olive May Bridges of Hickory, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Greene of Kings Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holland of Shelby.

Those spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Francis were Mr. and Mrs. Francis Holland and children Mrs. Dewey Deane and children of Morganton and Mrs. Bob Powell of Clifton, S. C.

Mrs. E. J. Lall who has been very sick continues about the same.

Edward Jones who has been very sick with pneumonia is very much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vandye and family spent the day Sunday attending a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bridges of Polkville.

Mrs. Hattie Doty is spending some time with her daughter at Kings Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Robbins and family of Hickory spent the week-end visiting relatives in this community.

Mrs. Mary Hendrick is slightly ill at this writing.

# WANT TO STOP EXPORT OF ARMS

## Congress May Pass Amendment To The Act

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Congressional demands for swift amendment of the neutrality act were prompted today by a state department grant of licenses to export \$2,777,000 of second hand airplanes and engines to the Madrid government.

Senator Duffy, member of the senate foreign relations committee forecast action immediately after congress convenes Tuesday to "plug the loophole" which compels the licensing of arms shipments for use in civil conflicts.

Simultaneously, the legislative aspects of the problems were discussed at a conference between R. Walton Moore, acting secretary of state, and chairman McReynolds of the house foreign affairs committee. No announcement was forthcoming immediately as to results of their talk.

Other state department quarters voiced apprehension that the government's action in granting the export license might lead to demands for similar permission from other sources.

# Optometry Law Is Cause Of Hearing

GREENSBORO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A three-man federal court will hear a petition of the National Optical Stores company contesting the constitutionality of the state law governing optometry here Jan. 4.

The company was recently restrained, under a superior court order, from doing business in North Carolina without meeting requirements of the state board of examiners in optometry. The order was rendered ineffective, however, by an interlocutory injunction issued in federal court here.

The company operates stores in Greensboro, Durham, Charlotte and Asheville.