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FEAR MILLIONS GONE IN MUSICA SWINDLE Pickets Stop Loading Of Scrap Iron For Japan

ies Sees Difficult Task in This and Avoiding Regimentation

EWIS, C.I.O. TO WORK

encouraged by enant Governor-elect Ellis E. i scrap iron for Japan told them that it was for

to make sure industrialnot make profit out of od of Chinese," Patterson

picket line composed of 600 children, the band and 100 sympathetic

IES PICTURES U. S.

e investigating un-American ties today said "the nation ed with serious threats both within and beyond the borf the land."

are face to face with the serious social problem of me, how to stop the invasion foreign destructive ideologies, a Frankenstein bureaucratic nentation, which will underte to restrict our historic free-

m," he said. He added that he is confident at the United States is being waded by foreign forces which tek to undermine the faith of r people in their form of gov-

EWIS WILL CARRY ON ITH DEMOCRATS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. (UP) abor's non-Partisan league oycott a third party moveand work within the framerk of the Democratic party at until the Democratic conn of 1940.

vis is chairman of the league president of the CIO. term for President Rooserogressive candidates for the es of the president and vice

GARNER, F. R. CONFER AFTER SIX MONTHS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. (UP) ongress on January 3. o national political prom- early as possible.

ix months today in a the future course of Deal and influence Demarty plans for the 1940

inistration's legislative termined today. it is so inseparably fuse party's hopes and the 1940 presidential experts conclude a political discussion is in-

P.T.A. TO OMIT ITS DECEMBER MEET; TO

The P.-T.A. will not meet next ville.

They Fought for Loyalist Spain



First of the homecoming Abraham Lincoln Brigade, which won acclaim fighting for Loyalist Spain, arrive in New York aboard the

foreign destructive ideologies. LIMA CONFEREES PLEDGED TO SEEK LOWERED TARIFFS

AFTER SUPPER

Christmas Holiday Closing Schedule in Effect Monday

today and, between impromptu sible to lower their tariff barriers. conferences with groups of chil- first direct action taken by the dren, gave out the word that most conference on any important quessaid the league would hold Hendersonville stores will remain tion, was hailed by United States open after supper each night next delegates as a victory for Secreat which it would consider a week to accommodate Christmas tary of State Cordell Hull. Reducshoppers.

emocratic national conven- chants division of the chamber of aid for peace, and the plenary's to work for the nomination commerce said that approximate unanimous vote was particularly closing schedule for the final week gratifying to him.

> day, 9 o'clock, and Saturday as delegation brought to Lima. late as trading demands.

Indications today were that the President Garner returned day's business would be the large cans working behind the scenes President Roosevelt, In response to the appeals of meridarity revealed on the trade resorbated and the classical citizen that cares to vote. capital today for a confer- est of the winter season to date. persons apparently were deter- hinted strongly, however, that tributed at Carolina Motor club that all four questions have been tory to the start of the chants for early shopping, many lution can be repeated. It was and in a jolly mood, Gar- so they could turn their attention ent Argentine resolution, in which ently in the best of mined to complete their gift lists Hull would rather accept the preshis wife stepped from a to other Christmas preparations as

dicated that the peak for outgoing The Garners waved aside most mail was near. Packages from other cities, many at considerable Christmas Event th the comment, "No news distances from Hendersonville, alwas to meet President ways begin to arrive before the last of those mailed here are out whom he calls "The of the way, and through all next ace to face for the first week the post office force will have all it can do to complete disuse conference which tribution before Christmas day.

As Christmas comes on Sunday, it is probable that most business houses will observe the holiday by closing on Monday, although the acy's No. 1 and No. 2 extent to which local firms will meet primarily to discuss adopt this policy had not been de-

C. WALDROP HELD

Carroll Waldrop, former Hender- ground of music, the Holy Scripsonville man, in the office of his tures, shepherds, wise men and bottling concern in Greenville, N. angels.

cause of the holiday ac- Mr. Waldrop was counting mon- manger. Members are urged to at-ey in his office a few nights ago
The joy gift offering to be ta-carol singing at the Bapwhen the man, Walter McKeel, ken at this service will be used Neilsen, secretary, said in ed-off shotgun, and took about of the denomination. The public

Hull to Accept Modified Defense Proposal,

By HOBART C. MONTEE United Press Staff Correspondent

if Necessary

Eighth Pan American Conference would be the second largest na-last night unanimously approved tion in Europe.

Granding State Height Charles and a declaration submitted by the A spokesman for the Grand ciples of the London non-interven-United States that pledges the 21 Duke admitted that he plans to tion plan making belligerent rights American republics to do all pos-

tion of world trade barriers has and authorize delegates to Officers and directors of the mer- long been advocated by Hull as an

before Christmas will be:

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 o'clock; Thursday and Frithree objectives the United States

The secretary of state feels he has now accomplished one of the united States accurate survey of the opinion of three objectives the United States accurate survey of the opinion of Building walkways alo

It is recognized the next two-Stores will of course be open continental solidarity and hemispherical defense-will be more formidable barriers, but Ameriare hopeful the example of sol-(Continued on page four)

at their home in Uvalde, dicated that the peak for outgoing. The volume of merchandise being handled at the post office indicated that the peak for outgoing. Sunday At 5 P. M.

Christmas Story Will Be Told in Pageant, Pantomime and Music

The annual Christmas service of the Sunday school department the Presbyterian church will be held in the form of a pageant, "Behold His Star," at the church UP; MAN CAPTURED on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.
The Christmas story will be The Christmas story will be told in the pageant in pantomine A young man who held up J. and dialogue against the back-

The scene is a mountain top HEAR CAROL SERVICE

The P. T. A. will be thing content in Green was quickly captured by Greenville police and identified by Mr. Waldrop, according to reports from Green-blue, and the Star of Bethlehem blue, and the Bethleh shines out to guide pilgrims to the

King Carol Tells Paris He Will Fight to Retain Bessarabia

RESPONSE TO NAZIS ON PROPOSED STATE Italy.

PARIS, Dec. 16. (UP)-Soviet Russia and Poland, both of which have mutual assistance pacts with France, have informed the French government that they will fight in party is to propose a stinging defense of the Ukranian provinces vote of censure against the govwithin their borders, it was revealed on authority last night.

King Carol II of Roumania ikewise has informed Paris that his country would'go to war rather than surrender Ukrainian Bes-

The revelation of the readiness of Russia, Poland and Rumania to fight for retention of their Ukrainian populations followed articles in the German press foreseeing a vast, independent Ukraine in eastern Europe with Nazis dominating a population of This Ukrainian state, according

to the Nazi press accounts, would be carved from the territories of Soviet Russia, Poland, Rumania and the autonomous province of Carpatho-Ukraine (Ruthenia) in eastern Czechoslovakia.

White Russian leaders met in Paris yesterday, coincident with

scattered throughout Europe -in an army to fight for independ-

ed, Chancellor Adolf Hitler might conservatives. LIMA, Peru, Dec. 17. (UP)- offer him the regency of the pro-The second plenary session of the posed Ukrainian state which day that neither Chamberlain nor Lights Will be on Monday;

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join with the Carolina Motor club

chaser. Ballots will appear in this

votes will be tabulated.

BUILDING.

DO YOU FAVOR?:

referendum are:

LOCAL POLL ON LAWS FOR CAR

2-State Survey to Run Until Jan. 15, When Results Will

Be Tabulated and Determine Club Policy

In order to secure a local and | 2. Compulsory mechanical in

the referendum will end and the Skyland Hotel building, or mailed

The questions comprising the Results of the referendum will de-

VOTE THIS BALLOT TODAY

MARK THIS BALLOT AND DELIVER TO THE TIMES-NEWS, OR TO THE CLUB OFFICE IN THE SKYLAND HOTEL

1. Constitutional Amendment to Prohibit Diversion

3. Building Walkways Along Highways near Schools

Date_____The Times-News, Hendersonville

4. 55 mph Speed Limit and Rigid Enforcement____

of Highway Funds -----

2. Compulsory Mechanical Inspection of Motor

and Colleges -----

Do you own Car Truck

on items affecting automobile and truck owners, The Times-News will enforcement thereafter.

AND TRUCK OWNERS PLANNED

POLICY TOWARD BERLIN, ROME, AS HOME CENSURE NEARING

Promise Commons NAME HOME EC New Concessions To Be Harder to Get

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- (UP)-Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain has begun to stiffen British policy as regards Germany and

It was asserted today in wellinformed political quarters that it is believed that the debate on foreign affairs in the house of commons Monday, when the Labor ernment, might bring the statements that Hitler and Mussolini would find it more difficult now to extract a concession from the democracies.

faced with growing British opposition toward further concessions sions of the exhibit, which includto the dictators, will make a new ed aprons, smocks, wash dresses, appeal for withdrawal of Italian and woolen dresses. First, second troops from Spain when he con- and third prizes were awarded in fers with Premier Benito Musso- each division. lini in Rome next month. It is stated an authority that

Chamberlain would tell Mussolini that neither Britain nor France would grant belligerent rights to insurgent Generalissimo Francisco Franco, permitting him to block-ade loyalist ports and frontiers, until there should be "substantial Green, Fletcher, third. withdrawal" of more Italian Blackshirts from the Spanish battlefronts.

It has been reported persistent- McCall, Flat Rock, third. the arrival of Grand Duke Vladi. It has been reported persistent the arrival of Grand Duke Vladi. Iv that Chamberlain, who persuadmir, pretender to the Czarist in ed Mussolini to recall 10,060 Italperial throne of Russia, and studied developments in the Ukrain- the Italo-British friendship pact the Italo-Britis ian independence movement.

The white Russians studied the was willing to give belligerent into operation in mid-November, third. rights to Franco in 1.000,000 Czarist exiles of the would hasten the end of the Spanformer white Russian armies - ish conflict, even though it might mean an insurgent victory.

France has been hostile to such a proposal, however, as have lib-Grand Duke Vladimir arrived erals and laborites of Chamberhere from Brittany en route to lain's opposition in the house of Berlin where, it has been report- comons and even many of his own

British officials asserted yester-(Continued on page three)

3. Building walkways along the

Holding of the four point refer-

the board of directors of the Caro-

Ballots may be returned to this

to club headquarters in Charlotte.

Six High School Depart-

ments Take Part in **Exhibit-Contest**

Five county high schools and the city high school were represented at the clothing exhibit of the home economics departments, held at the Carolina theatre yesterday morning. Dana high school was not rep-

resented, due to the early closing Miss Anne Benson Priest, Bun-Prime Minister Chamberlain, combe county home demonstration agent, judged the four divi-

Winners were as follows: Aprons-Vera Allison, Etowah,

first; Sybil Case, Flat Rock, second; and Henrietta Briggs, Eto-Smocks-Doris Hudgens, neyville, First; Carolyn Kelly, Hendersonville, second; and Ottie

Wash dresses-Nora Ledbetter. Flat Rock, first; Lillian Stepp, Flat Rock, second; and

18 Homes Are In Lighting Contest **Announced Here**

Will Name Cash Prize Winners Friday

commerce and The Times-News. day and Thursday, and winners of ment. the five cash prizes will be announced Friday so the public will have opportunity to view the dis- had been dissolved by executive

motor vehicle owners in this terhighways and near schools and colare \$25 and \$10 for first and sec-

in making ballots available for any endum was recently authorized by urged the public to see as many of the displays as possible during Ballots already are being dis- lina Motor club, due to the fact the holidays. The entries are: offices throughout the Carolinas much in the public eye and there offices throughout the Carolinas much in the public eye and there of opinion of the cent avenue.

Mrs. O. G. Orr, East Flat Rock.

street. newspaper from time to time be-tween now and January 15 when the Carolina Motor club in the nue west. R. B. Hammes, 301 Fifth ave-

termine the club's 1939 legislative Park. 1. Constitutional amendment to program before the general asprohibit diversion of highway semblies of North and South Car-Main street. Mrs. T. R. Barrows, 417 South lor street.

nue west.

Mary Jo Bangs, 518 Oak Hill Court. off Willow road.

Jody Barber, 1232 Hyman ave-Mrs. Glenn Marston, Rugby. W. C. Bangs, 634 5th avenue Mrs. T. B. Allen, 236 6th ave-

Patton Memorial hospital, 1223 Highland avenue. Mrs. Kate Durham, 247 5th avenue west. Mrs. Otis Powers, 243 2nd ave-

nue west. Names of the judges will be announced early next week.

U. S. DEBT ANNOUNCED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. (UP) The treasury today announced the public debt is now at an all time high at \$39,400,000,00, representing \$305 for each man, woman

Bundsman May Lose Citizenship

Hermann Schwinn, west coast leader of the German-American Bund, is facing proceedings to

REVOLT ENDED

Emergency Government Defense Units Are All Disbanded

QUITO, Ecuador, Dec. 17. — UP). — Provisional President (UP). — Provisional President Aurelio Mosquera Narvaez last night ordered the disbandment of volunteer corps which had been Eighteen homes have been en- organized to defend the governtered in the outdoor lighting conment during this week's army retest sponsored by the chamber of bellion.

The ministry of defense an-Lights will be turned on Mon-nounced the country was quiet day night and the displays will re- and that the revolt had ended. All main until after Christmas. Judg- military units were said to have ing will take place next Wednes- pledged support of the govern-Members of the national assem-

bly who were jailed after the body plays.

Judging will be on the basis of artistic arrangement and effect rather than elaborateness. Prizes decree will remain in prison for

ritory on a four-point referendum on items affecting automobile and truck owners, The Times-News will ioin with the Carolina Motor club. highways and near schools and colleges. 4. 55 mph speed limit and rigid enforcement thereafter. Holding of the four point referitions are \$25 and \$10 for first and second, and \$5 each for the next three best displays. The chamber of commerce committees in charge of the course of the commerce committees in charge of the course of the commerce committees in charge of the course The chamber of commerce committee in charge of the contest Service Is Planned at 3:30 Wednesday

Announcement was made today Mrs. I. E. Johnson, 210 Rhodes that the annual Christmas carol and candlelighting service, a service of many years' standing in the community, will be held at the Beatrice Corne, 141 Second ave- First Baptist church Wednesday afternoon of next week at 3:30 Dr. J. S. Brown, Jr., Laurel o'clock, and the public was invited to attend. The carol service this year will

be under the direction of Miss Mrs. Geo. M. Peebles, 329 Tay- Be under the direction of the Mrs. Geo. M. Peebles, 329 Taytor of music in the city schools. Dr. Branstetter, 317 4th avenue Miss Mary Brooks will be the ac-

Bill Anders. Stepp street (just Baptists Arrange Willow road. Christmas Event Sunday Evening

A special Christmas service, in the form of a candle light program, Christmas carols and anthems, will be held at the First Baptist church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. It is stated that this service will be unique in local celebrations of the kind here. Rev. B. E. Wall, the pastor, states that those who have seen the service elsewhere say that it is the most beautiful and impressive service that it has been their privilege to see.

The church extends a cordial invitation to all to this event,

Storm of State and Federal Investigations Follows Suicide Friday

13,500 STOCKHOLDERS ARE FACING BIG LOSS

NEW YORK, Dec. 17. (UP) .-Federal authorities today feared that 13,500 stockholders would lose \$20,000,000 through the manipulation of McKesson & Robbins, Inc., gigantic drugs firm organized by Muscia brothers, who hid their criminal records under new names and duped the masters of Wall Street for 10 years. Philip, "big brother," and arch

schemer who took the name of F. Donald Coster and the presidency of the corporation blow out his brains yesterday when exposed and trapped. His three brothers, minor exe-

cutives in the firm are in jail, unable to provide \$100,000 bonds. Evidences that the brothers used the firm to run guns to Bolivia and Spain, to bootleg and to adulterate drugs, engulfed the survivors in a storm of federal and state investigation. At his lavishly appointed Fair-

field, Conn., home, while federal and New York state agents were revealing his true identity and that of his brothers involved in the \$18,000,000 McKesson and Bobbin schortage, Coster fired a bullet through the curiously con-structed brain which won him wealth, power and respectability

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but could not control his criminal

Reputed Aide In Gun-Running **Activities** Held

NEW YORK, Dec. 17. (UP)-John Cantor, 60, of Montreal, reportedly connected with gun-running phases of Philip Musica's activities, was booked as a "fugi-tive" last night at police headquarters.

Police refused to comment on the arrest immediately. Cantor was arrested on a warrant, issued at Stratford, Conn., in 1935 and charging him with receiving money under false pre-

tenses.

He was questioned about his relations with Coster, police said. Cantor's record extended to 1924, when he was arrested as a fugitive from Knoxville, Tenn., on a grand larceny charge. Subsequently he was arrested here in 1929 as a fugitive from Chicago, where he was wanted for passing a worthless check, and in Pitts-burgh in 1934 for Boston police.

Cantor was arrested after he was recognized as a spectator at hearings conducted by Attorney General John J. Bennett, Jr., into the McKesson and Robbins case. Connecticut state troopers attending the hearing recognized him. They said the Stratford warrant was in connection with a "phony stock deal."

Shopping Days Till Christmas



AMERICA WAS BURSTING WITH INDIGNATION, FRANCE HAD JUST DEFAULTED ON WAR DEBT

LOOKING BACK TO CHRIST-MAS SIX YEARS AGO. Drys were fighting bill to legalize 3.2. . . Everyone arguing technocracy . . . America was bursting with indignation; French had just defaulted on war debt. . . . Airplanes were beginning to ride radio beams. . . Adding to Yule cheer in depression year, statistics

showed fewer people were dying than in any year since 1880. . . . Germany broke rail speed record with streamlined train.