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LONDON REFUSES TO LEAD G. O. P. IN 1940

Oaklawn City Cemetery Plots On Sale; Council Will Adopt Codes

Asheboro to Follow State's Plumbing, Building and Electrical Rules.

Buy Street Grader

The Asheboro city council, at its regular meeting last night, adopted a resolution placing burial plots in the new Oaklawn cemetery on sale.

The council adopted a resolution providing for the purchase of a motor-grader which will be used to maintain good condition of the several clay and sand surfaced streets in the city.

The motor-grader was purchased from the North Carolina Equipment Co., of Raleigh.

Action upon a petition of the Merchants association, the council rescinded a recent resolution providing special parking spaces in Fayetteville street and Sunset avenue for automobiles used by physicians and other professional men.

The council also adopted a resolution designating Trade street as a "no parking street."

A further step to meet with requirement of the growing city was taken by the council when they decided to adopt a plumbing, electric and building code.

Wage And Hours Measure Splits House Members

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Disagreement developed among house members today over a committee proposal that wage and hours standards be administered by one man in the labor department instead of by an independent board.

The house labor committee adopted the single administration amendment to the bill last night by a 9 to 6 vote.

CHRISTMAS SUPERSTITIONS



The spirit of Christmas is exemplified in a Polish superstition which holds that Jacob's ladder is brought back to earth on Christmas Eve, and the angels descend, bringing peace and goodwill.

12 Shopping Days Till Christmas

Jean De Koven Slayer Gang Escapes French Police Net

Paris, France, Dec. 10.—(AP)—The asserted scar-faced chief of an abduction gang, whose "trips in murder" slew Jean De Koven, Brooklyn dancer, escaped a police net and was sought today by roving patrols along the highways of southeastern France.

WPA Opens Purse Strings; Will Provide 350,000 Jobs

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—The government ordered a \$23,000,000-a-month increase in WPA spending today to cope with mounting unemployment.

Harry L. Hopkins, the Works Progress administrator, announced that work relief projects would be examined within the next few weeks to provide 350,000 additional jobs.

His announcement increased speculation as to whether President Roosevelt's announced goal of a balanced budget in the next fiscal year could be achieved in view of the business recession.

Dr. Hurley Speaks to Library Club at F. McCrary Home

Dr. Leonard F. Hurley, head of the English department at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro, last night was the guest speaker of the Randolph Library club, which met at the home of Mrs. Frank McCrary, with Mrs. Harris Coffin and Mrs. Laurence Saur's associate hostesses.

As one of his series of lectures to the Library club, Dr. Hurley spoke last night on current novels, saying he did not think Hemingway's "To Have and Not to Have" and Brofield's "The Rains Came" were significant at to literary value, but went into thorough details in his discussion of "They Seek a Victory" and "The Turning Wheel".

Roosevelt Warns Railroads Of Financial Difficulties

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today the interstate commerce commission is seeking to preserve the solvency of the nation's railroads with a view to retaining them under private management and private ownership.

Hoey Paroles Four Convicts

Raleigh, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Hubert Lanier and Adolph Edwards, sentenced in July, 1932, in Duplin county, to 10 to 15 years for second degree murder received paroles today from Governor Hoey.

The two were convicted of slaying Ambrose Lanier, an uncle of Hubert. Two other defendants, who also were sentenced for the killing previously had been paroled.

Four other paroles also were announced today, and 21 requests for clemency were denied.

Mr. Roosevelt said the administration had no definite plans to help the railroads, adding the interstate commerce commission was the only federal agency to deal with the problem.

New York, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Doris Duke Cromwell, tobacco heiress, has been easing that hankering to shake her feet by taking tap lessons from "Bojangles" Bill Robinson, the old master from Harlem, the man who taught Shirley Temple.

Jonas Raps GOP Leaders; Says South Ignored

Lincolnton, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Charles A. Jonas, republican national committee man from North Carolina, charged today that the party's national leadership had "sacrificed party growth in the south in exchange for 'controlled' votes in the committee and at the national convention."

Names Tarheel Member Of Security Board

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt nominated John Hanes of North Carolina and Jerome N. Frank of New York today to be members of the securities commission.

Hanes will succeed J. D. Ross of Seattle who resigned when appointed administrator of Bonneville Dam.

Car And Truck Stolen Yesterday; Trial Today

As a result of stealing an automobile and a truck about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon near Seagrove, Tom McConnell this afternoon is appearing in Randolph's Superior court charged with theft.

McConnell swiped the car and, pursued by officers, had the misfortune of having it stop with him. A truck, incidentally loaded with chickens, was handy so McConnell traded and continued on his journey.

McConnell is from Randleman but at the time of his arrest was enlisted in the CC camp at Fayetteville.

City Employee Awarded Turkey

Walter E. Yow, city treasurer, and Amos R. Wittingham, city clerk, attended the business session and barbecue of the Carolina Tractor Equipment company at Salisbury yesterday.

Garner Named "Best Leader"

Washington, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Senator Ellison D. Smith of South Carolina, serving under his sixth year president in 29 years, remembered them all today and came to the conclusion none of the previous five could compare with John Nance Garner.

The democratic dean of the senate ranked Garner "tops."

"He is the best presiding officer, the best parliamentarian, the best minger, the best leader, the best politician and the best poker player of all six," Smith said.

Negroes Die

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Walter Caldwell and William Perry, both negroes, were executed today in the state's gas chamber.

Caldwell, convicted of rape went to his death on his 37th birthday. Perry, 78, died for murder of Mrs. W. T. Hamlet of Chatham county.

Three-Ring Aerial Circus



Carving through the air like trusty gulls, three planes enthrall spectators at the Municipal airport, Miami Fla., with a mass exhibition of skywriting, as the resort's 10th annual air maneuvers.

Japan's Troops In Nanking; No Word Of Sixteen U.S. Citizens

(By The Associated Press) Shanghai, Dec. 11.—(AP)—The Japanese command announced today that Kuanchuan, principle southeastern gate of Nanking's massive walls, had been captured by a detachment of Japanese 9th Division.

Japan's Rising Sun banner was raised over the gate as soon as it was taken late Friday.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Japanese forces today struck from all sides of Nanking in a general attack, which a Japanese spokesman declared tonight had put the Chinese capitol "in the process of falling."

The attack was launched when the Chinese commander refused to heed a Japanese general's ultimatum to surrender the city by noon or face a general assault.

Four hours later, the Japanese asserted a part of the 100,000 troops encircling the city had captured Turtle mountain, overlooking Nanking.

Chinese positions on the hill previously kept the Japanese from an encircling assault. Six hours later the Japanese spokesman said he "assumed" that Japanese troops already had penetrated Nanking's great wall and were engaged "in mopping-up operations", which, he explained, meant street fighting.

The spokesman said he had no details of operations.

Earlier today reports from the front said bitter hand-to-hand fighting was in progress outside Nanking's walls.

There was no report on whether Americans inside Nanking were safe. Night reports said 16 Americans were missing, including 15 and 15 more were on the United States gunboat Panay.

The Panay reported tonight that all communications with the inside of Nanking were severed.

Last Year's Nominee Visits Roosevelt; To Remain In Politics

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Former Governor Alf M. Landon of Kansas, said today he would not be a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination in 1940 and would not accept the nomination should it be offered to him.

Herbert Sued, She Divorces

When Clifford V. Herbert, son of the noted composer, Victor Herbert, was sued for breach of promise, Clifford's own wife, who smiles so charmingly above, didn't think much of the occurrence—even though her husband won the suit. So she sued for divorce in Los Angeles, and got it.

Senator Capper Accompanies Alf To White House

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Former Governor Alf M. Landon of Kansas, said today he would not be a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination in 1940 and would not accept the nomination should it be offered to him.

The 1936 nominee made the announcement to newspapermen upon arrival here for the Gridiron Club, a newspapermen organization, dinner.

Landon said his statement did not mean he was withdrawing from politics.

"I am taking this step so I can be more active in republican party affairs", he said.

Soon after he reached the capitol, the governor was invited by a White House secretary, by telephone, to visit President Roosevelt at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

The purpose of that conference, as two opponents in last year's presidential election, was not immediately disclosed.

Landon will be accompanied by Senator Capper (R-Kas.).

Surrounded by many newspapermen, who accompanied him on his campaign trips in 1936, Landon was asked if he wanted to take "another whirl" at the republican nomination.

He hesitated a second, then said, "I have not any intention of being a candidate in 1940 and in order that my position may be clear, I will not accept the nomination in the remote contingency that the Republican National Convention should offer it to me."

Plot To Murder French Minister Uncovered Today

Valencines, France, Dec. 10.—(AP)—A plot to slay French foreign minister, Yvon Delbos, was disclosed today by police who seized a coded letter giving details of the plan.

The letter, police said, was addressed to a Hungarian, now in jail here.

He is Koloman Budai, arrested here November 8 charged with firing shots at a window of the League of Nations building at Geneva in 1935.

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Newspapers In New Agreement With Unions

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—The American Publishers association and the International Printers and Pressmen union signed a new 5-year agreement today.

Miss Mary Lindsay Resigns Position Welfare Dept.

Miss Mary Lindsay, who came to the Randolph county welfare department approximately one month ago, yesterday resigned her position, leaving Asheboro this morning for Charlotte and planning to go from there to her home in St. Paul.

Engine Wrecked At Charlotte

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 10.—(AP)—A federal court jury decided early last night James Dalhove, last survivor of the Al Brady gang, should die in the electric chair for the murder of State Policeman Paul V. Minneman.

South Carolina Banks Declare Dividends

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 10.—(AP)—Chief bank examiner A. F. Wayne said today dividends voted for distribution by South Carolina banks "are averaging higher" than those for the same period last year.

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