

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Forecast for North Carolina: Cloudy and rainy Thursday and Friday; local

"DEDICATED TO THE UP-BUILDING OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA"

ESTABLISHED 1868.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 1, 1923.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

GOVERNOR'S SHIP LINE GOES TO SENATE FLOOR

Appropriations Committee Reports Bill "Without Prejudice."

GOOD ROADS BILL MAKING PROGRESS

Varsar Proposes a Sinking Fund—State Game Bill Is Introduced.

Head Anti-Saloon League in New York



William H. Anderson

Charges of irregularities in the matter of handling finances of the league have been lodged against William H. Anderson, the superintendent.

ACTION IS AGAIN DELAYED ON BILL DILLARD OFFERED

Would Revoke Charter of Tennessee-Carolina Water Power Co.

RALEIGH, Jan. 31.—Committee action on the Dillard bill to repeal certain charter rights of the Tennessee-Carolina Water Power Company failed again today when the matter came before a joint session of the Senate Committee of Appropriations and House Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Representative Dillard, of Cherokee County, where the rights of the corporation in question are concentrated, asked that the bill be heard Friday afternoon to present further facts to a joint session.

The same committee reported favorably the Broughton resolution to provide a joint committee composed of three members of the House and two members of the Senate to investigate charges of mismanagement and misappropriation of State funds at the State Sanitarium for treatment of tuberculosis.

A bill to provide that women serve on juries went over until Friday to allow women from various organizations to be heard. The bill was taken on the floor of the House today, but failed when the House voted to file membership lists and the names of officers with the State authorities.

CONSOLIDATION OF BUREAUS SUGGESTED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—A suggestion that the Veterans' Bureau and the Pension Office be consolidated, started an argument before the House Interstate Commerce Committee today as to whether money now paid to former service men constitutes "pensions" or "compensation."

H. H. Raegle, representing the disabled American Veterans, told the committee his organization would welcome any move to consolidate the two agencies, but did not favor return "of the old pension systems."

INSANITY CHARGED BY AGED BRIDE

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 31.—The romance of J. T. Hancock, 83, Confederate veteran, and Mrs. Hancock, 64, who eloped a month ago, went on the rocks today when Mrs. Hancock filed an affidavit with the clerk of the Superior Court, asserting that her husband was insane. He was remanded to the County home.

CONTROL OF RADIO TO BE LEFT TO SECRETARY OF COMMERCE UNDER BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The federal radio control bill, vesting broad powers in the department of commerce for regulation and supervision of all phases of wireless telegraph and telephone communications was passed today by the House.

The bill is intended to bring order out of the chaos in the air as the result of thousands of stations competing on similar wave lengths. Licenses would be required of all transmitting operators except government employees and the secretary of commerce would assign wave lengths to various stations and supervise, where necessary, their sending periods.

A section of the bill dealing with possible monopolies of the wireless business of the nation, vests in the secretary power to refuse or revoke licenses where a monopoly is threatened.

SMITH, TAMMANY MAN, IS CERTAIN TO BE IN RACE

As Never Before Tammany Whoop Be Heard in Next Convention.

AL SMITH IS REAL FRIEND OF MURPHY

But His Friendliness Will Prove a Handicap in Other Ways—Haskin.

(By FREDERICK HASKIN) WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The war whoop of Tammany braves will be heard in the 1924 Democratic National Convention and it has not been heard in 20 years.

Tammany is always a picturesque and a potent force in the national convulsions of Democracy. It is the greatest thing in the way that it is political machine that the country has ever known.

Politics is strictly business with Tammany. Its purpose is to dictate nominations, carry elections and to control the government.

Proposed plans for the extension of the city limits of Asheville sank into oblivion yesterday. The proposition, at least, became a dead issue for the present upon the adoption of a resolution at the joint session of the Planning commission and the City Commission.

Under the terms of the resolution agitation can be started on the question in the future, but before the City Commissioners can increase the bounds of the municipality, it will be stipulated that the voters of Asheville will be called upon to ballot on the proposal in addition to the qualified tax payers.

Each different section near the city, Grace, Norwood Park, the Park Inn, Kenilworth, Billmore, South Biltmore and a portion of the Vanderbilt Estate, was given careful consideration, but the recommendation that any particular section be added to the limits, the resolution offered by D. Hiden Ramsey, of the Planning Commission, as a substitute motion for George Stephens in substance was as follows:

First: That the Board of City Commissioners be granted the authority to extend the city limits at any specific extending the city limits and that 30 days' notice be given before hand.

Second: That the commission be authorized to designate the territory proposed to be annexed.

Third: That before the territory is annexed, the question be voted upon by the qualified voters of the city of Asheville and the residents within the territory to be thus affected, a majority of the voters in both cases to be had before the territory is annexed.

After the meeting, Charles A. Webb, who spoke before the joint body with reference to the extension, stated: "The Citizen has been a great help in this matter. It has, however, disfavored the annexation of the Asheville Country Club."

During the session, Mr. Stephens said at first he had thought it would have been a good plan to annex a part of the territory just North of the city, including Grove Park Inn and the Country Club, but later that he had become possessed with the opinion that such action might work a hardship on certain property owners in the various school districts.

Donald Gillis suggested that the body designate certain areas for factory extension and that they be made exempt from the extension of the limits at this time and that it would cost millions of dollars for the city to develop the property, which it has been proposed to take in.

C. & O. OFFICERS WILL RETAIN OLD POSITIONS

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—President Harahan and other officers of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad will continue to hold their positions despite the fact that the old board of directors has been replaced by one representing the Van Sweringen interest of Cleveland, now controlling the road.

Commander Coast Guard is Admiral



Admiral W. E. Reynolds

Captain William E. Reynolds has been placed in command of the United States Coast Guard Service, with the rank of Admiral.

LEAGUE PLANS TO CALL CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

One of the Clouds Hanging Over Europe Is Removed by League.

LAUSANNE, Jan. 31.—The spirit of conciliation shown on all sides today, prevented a rupture of the peace conference, and real negotiations to obtain a break in the Allies' draft treaty to the Turks, and the mutual good will between the British, French and Italian delegations, side-tracked any danger of a break in the Allied front, due to yesterday's developments.

Richard Washburn Child, who as chief American spokesman, delivered a striking address at today's meeting, and agreed to remain together with his entire delegation, until Sunday night.

The result is that the Turks probably will present their counter-proposals at a formal conference of the conference, but will endeavor to iron out the differences speedily, in private conferences.

SOUTHERN FORESTRY MEET IN SAVANNAH, GA., NEXT

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 31.—Savannah, Ga., will be the next meeting place for the sixth Southern Forestry Congress which adjourned here today following a three-day session.

Officers for the coming year are: B. H. Stone, of Blairsville, Ga., president; H. R. Camp, of Franklin, Va., vice-president; R. D. Forbes, of Virginia, secretary and treasurer; J. R. Weston, of Logtown, Miss., assistant secretary, and Joseph H. Pratt, of Chapel Hill, N. C., chairman of the executive committee.

Resolutions requesting the United States Congress to increase the annual appropriations for forestry work from \$400,000 to \$1,000,000 and to increase the appropriation for the purchase of forestry land to \$2,000,000 were passed.

MELLON OPPOSES FURTHER U. S. TAX EXEMPT BONDS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The continued issuance of tax exempt securities must be stopped or the Federal Government must find some substitute for its surplus on income, Secretary Mellon declared tonight in a letter to Clarence H. Kelsey, chairman of the taxation committee, of the Chamber of Commerce, of the State of New York.

TRUSTEES ORDER SECOND MEETING POSTPONED

RALEIGH, Jan. 31.—The meeting of the board of trustees of the University of North Carolina to decide upon the location of the proposed medical school has been postponed from Tuesday, February 6, to Friday, February 9.

They were succeeded by O. P. Vag Swearingen, chairman of the board; M. J. Van Swearingen, J. R. Nutt, Otto Miller, C. L. Bradley, J. J. Bennett and H. M. Haskin.

British Accept America's Terms For Settlement Of Big Debt Of England Made During World War

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DUSSELDORF, Jan. 31.—(By The Associated Press.)—Seizure of the Ruhr customs by the French; the low level of coal production reached; the practical disappearance of empty coal cars from the region, threatening a complete stoppage of work at the mines within a few days; the cutting of the Cologne-Berlin truck telegraph and telephone cables at several places around Essen, completely isolating the city from the outside world, and a more acute strike of four—these were the developments of the 21st day of the Franco-Belgian occupation.

On the other hand calm has apparently been restored so far as outward demonstrations are concerned; the infantry bicycle and cavalry patrols which have been keeping order in the streets since the outbreak of last Thursday.

The taking over of the customs by the French is the most severe economic blow attempted since they entered the Ruhr. M. Philipp, French chief of the Ruhr customs, avers that the defections of the personnel of the German functionaries amount to only about 40 per cent; these were immediately replaced and work proceeded normally.

The welfare of the German minorities in Poland, is giving the council considerable concern. The council decided to proceed normally, but it is stipulated that the council will be invited to limit their activities for armaments, to the amounts appropriated in 1913.

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ASHEVILLE IS FASTEST GROWING TOURIST CENTER IN THE COUNTRY

SAYS WRITER AFTER INVESTIGATION

Survey Shows Construction Program Under Way Is Unprecedented.

REPRESENTATIVE OF MANUFACTURERS RECORD MAKING THOROUGH REVIEW.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(By The Associated Press.)—Six hundred miners are entombed in the Heinitz mine at Beuthen, Poland, in consequence of an explosion of fire damp today.

Mr. Williams has already visited 25 cities and towns in the State and before returning to Baltimore will visit ten others. He is writing a series of weekly articles reporting the facts found in the surveys he is conducting and when these are completed will write for publication a survey summarizing the activity in the whole of North Carolina. His articles plainly set forth the actual facts in a comprehensive manner regarding all lines of activity.

HISTORICAL FORTS TO BE SOLD UNDER BILL NOW IN THE HOUSE; MACON IS ONE OF THOSE TO GO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—A number of historical forts and other government reservations would be sold by the War Department under the terms of a bill ordered reported today by the House Military Committee. The House bill provides for the sale of the following: Virginia—Fort Mifflin, Elizabeth River; Fort Nelson, pumping station reserve; Fort Monroe, Fort Powhatan; Willoughby Spit reservation and Fort Humphreys.

North Carolina—Beacon Island and Fort Macon. South Carolina—Fort Fremont and Fort Winnyaw. Georgia—American Interns late depot and South Field, Jackson; formerly Fort Oglethorpe and Point Peter.

Florida—Chapman Field, Fort Clinch and St. John's Bluff near Mayport. Louisiana—Fort Livingston and Fort St. Philip. Maine—Fort Baldwin, Ellsworth, Knox, Machias, McClary, Fopham and St. George (Robinson).

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BRITISH CABINET ACTS WITH SPEED

President Wants Terms Made Known to Congress Without Delay

(By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, Jan. 31.—The cabinet council today with unexpected promptitude and almost without further debate decided to accept the American terms for funding the British debt and no fact is known tonight, without reservations of any kind.

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The American Ambassador, Colonel Harvey, expressing to The Associated Press his gratification that the matter had been thus arranged, said he considered it a fair and just settlement.

That the cabinet should have decided after practically only one sitting causes general surprise, for although a decision was fully expected, it was not expected to be made so quickly. It had been supposed that it might entail possibly two or three sittings.

The cabinet with which the decision was made, was a cabinet brought into line as much for the strength and cogency of the arguments in favor of acceptance which the director of the exchequer, Stanley Baldwin, was able to bring before his colleagues.

Chief among these arguments is believed to have been Mr. Baldwin's explanation that no better terms could be expected to obtain further delay and of the inadvisability of allowing such a favorable opportunity to slip for securing a settlement which might at least be hoped would meet with the approval of the American Congress.

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BERLIN, Jan. 31.—(By The Associated Press.)—Six hundred miners are entombed in the Heinitz mine at Beuthen, Poland, in consequence of an explosion of fire damp today.

The bodies of 35 dead had been brought to the surface when the dispatch from Beuthen was filed.

HENRY CLEWS, FORMER LEADER, IS DEAD

Death of Widely Known Banker Comes After Illness of Many Months.

Clews, widely known banker, died this afternoon, at his home on West 51st Street, after an illness of several months.

FARM BLOC LAWS TO BE PASSED DURING THE WEEK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Passage by the Senate Friday of the Lenroot-Anderson farm credit bill, the second and last on the farm relief program, was reported today by an agreement for a vote on the bill and the overwhelming defeat of a motion for recommitment.

The unanimous consent agreement for the bill was offered by Senator Swanson, Democrat, Virginia, after conferences with leaders on both sides, but was adopted only after Senator Lenroot, Republican, Wisconsin, had threatened to hold the Senate in session tonight.

After disposing of the credit measure, the Senate will take up the War Department appropriation bill with the shipping bill following on the program. Considerable debate on the army budget bill is predicted with the probability that opponents of the shipping bill will use it as it has been charged they have the farm credit legislation as a buffer against the shipping measure.

The motion to recommit the Lenroot-Anderson bill came as a surprise it was said by Senator Swanson, Republican, Michigan, the new member appointed to succeed former Senator Newberry, and proposed to send the measure and all substitutes and amendments to the banking committee. The Michigan Senator contends that the Senate is without sufficient information to act on the bill and urged that the bill be over until the next Congress but his motion was defeated, 51 to 4.

Its supporters were Senators Couzens, La Follette, Republican, Wisconsin; Norbeck, Republican, South Dakota, and Walsh, Democrat, Massachusetts.

In presenting his motion Senator Couzens made the maiden speech. The Capper farm credit bill, passed recently by the Senate, he declared, was all the credit legislation immediately necessary.

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