

OF PRODUCTS NORTH CAROLINA SHOWS BIG INCREASE

Value of Goods Made in This State in 1923 Shows Increase of 43 Per Cent. Over 1921 Output.

NUMBER OF WAGE EARNERS INCREASED

Increase in About the Same Proportion as the Increase in Value of Goods Made for the Market.

Concord, April 30.—A 43 per cent. increase in the value of products turned out by manufacturing establishments in North Carolina in 1923 as compared with 1921 is shown in the biennial census announced today by the Department of Commerce. The total valuation of goods made in this industry increased from \$95,118,000 to \$95,911,117, figures embracing all establishments with an output of more than \$5,000.

The number of wage earners employed increased from 135,833 to 173,687, a 28 per cent. increase, while the total average earnings increased from \$94,235,817 to \$127,444,000, or 35.3 per cent.

The cotton goods industry continued to lead others in 1923 in both number of earners and value of products. Cotton in this industry increased from \$3,196 to \$1,041, or 32.2 per cent. in 1923.

The average number of persons employed in the latter industry increased from 14,617 to 19,960.

COUNTY FARMER IS KILLED BY ANOTHER

Bill Hill Said to Have Confessed the Hiram Cox During a Quarrel.

April 29.—About seven o'clock this morning, W. J. Hill shot and killed Hiram Cox. The two had been driving a mile north of town in a tractor when the quarrel broke out. As he passed he seemed to salute to Pearl Hill in the house, he passed the barn Hill stepped to the left side of his head. Cox fired a shot gun and emptied a barrel into the side of Hill's head. Cox fired on the tractor and climbed up on the tractor to stop the machine. Hill ran to two or three hundred feet and succeeded in doing so. Hill and got Wriston Helms to take him to where he surrendered.

Hill was taken in quickly and there were a large number from the surrounding country and from Monroe, including sheriff and coroner. There was no doubt about it. Cox was dead. The body of Cox was taken to the home and prepared for burial. The funeral was held late Tuesday afternoon at the Presson cemetery. Cox was 45 years old. Hill is 58.

Hill has five children, all of them young. He is married to Pearl, who lives with him. Hill is a farmer belonging to Mr. Love, and had lived there for years. Hill has lived on his farm. He is a nominal owner, for three years. Cox was on his way to another farm. Mr. Love's to get the disc plow to work with the tractor. No one was going directly, unless it was the son of Cox who saw Hill with the disc. "Look out papa, he's going to kill you."

Hill, a man of no strong mentality, was a simple as anything. He said that Cox came to him while he was on Monday for settlement of an account which he claimed, and when he began cursing a previous settlement. Hill, in a fit of anger, struck him with a disc plow, and told him that he would kill him or would kill him before the day's sun set. That he was a dangerous man and was very dangerous to such times. "I knew he would do me some time today if I did not get away from him. I was bound to. He would kill me. I know he would."

Compel Reading of Bible in the Schools

House Passed Bill, April 30.—A bill for daily reading of the Bible in the schools is now before the House of Representatives of the Florida Legislature for consideration. The bill is in the House by a vote of 74 to 14 and a penalty clause under which the salaries could not be paid until the law was certified.

The bill was introduced by Representative J. B. C. C. and passed by a vote of 74 to 14 after amending the bill to provide for the reading of the Bible in the schools.

Annual Sale at Browns-Cannon Co. The annual sale of the Browns-Cannon Co. will start a big reduction tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, and continue eight days. They are going to move their goods before going to the new store, and everything will be sold at a big reduction for these eight days. The store is now open, and making a purchase of more will be given absolutely full size suit case. The store was closed yesterday and today get ready for the big sale.

Buy a pair of shoes for ONE dollar. See Thursday's paper. B. C. C.

LESS HOPE HELD NOW OF SOLVING MYSTERY ABOUT DEATH OF GIRL

Police in Indiana and Illinois Unable to Get New Clues in Connection With Latest Murder Mystery.

OLD CLUES HAVE LED TO NOTHING

They Are Still Being Followed But So Far Officials Have Been Able to Get Nothing Sure From Them.

Gary, Ind., April 30.—Hope of solving the mystery of the death of the girl whose maimed and burned body was found Sunday near here, was waning today as authorities searched for new clues while developing the few obtained.

The upper half of a woman's list stocking and a burned bit of paper bearing the name "H. Schmidt" were found late yesterday by Lux, a police dog which found a partly burned shoe Tuesday and led searchers to a hidden laagoon.

Plans to drain the laagoon in efforts to find the missing legs and arms of the girl have been abandoned in favor of dredging it. Possible identification of the victim as Mrs. Gertrude Thompson, 27, missing Gary shop girl, may depend on finding the missing arm. Mrs. Thompson had a finger amputated on one hand.

The empty gasoline can found near the girl's body was identified yesterday by Paul Bishop, attendant at a filling station, as one he sold to three men whom he thought he could identify. The men had driven away in the direction of the place where the body was found, he said.

None of the 500 persons who viewed the body in a Chesterton morgue, nor inquiries received from Evansville, Ind., and Rockford, Ill., shed any light on identification of the "dead girl."

FAILURE TO GET DOCTOR LEADS TO DAMAGE SUIT

Birth and Death of Baby Causes Couple to Ask \$50,000 of Telephone Company.

Greensboro, April 27.—Because a physician could not be secured and a child was born with no one with the mother, the infant later dying, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Thompson, of this city, today started suit in Guilford superior court here against the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company for \$50,000.

It is alleged in the complaint that when it was apparent the child was about to be born, Mr. Thompson hurried to a telephone to summon Dr. D. W. Holt, and was told by the telephone operator that connection could not be given because the physician's receiver was down. The doctor denies that it was. After a search Mr. Thompson found the physician's home and they went to his own home where the child had been born with the mother alone.

State Borrows Six Million For Sixty Days At 8 1/2 Rate

Raleigh, April 29.—North Carolina borrowed for 60 days today \$6,000,000 from the First National bank of New York and paid 8 1/2 per cent. The loan was necessary for state highway work which calls for \$3,000,000. Last week the state paid back \$5,000,000 which it had borrowed from the special fund, the \$3,000,000 for highways and the \$3,000,000 for general purposes ordered at the meeting April 24, but it was desired that the transaction be made before the announcement was made.

The governor thinks that the state has made a good trade and he was pleased when Treasurer Lacy today notified him of the sale of the notes. This will make \$21,000,000 which the state is carrying in those notes, but the rate paid for interest is better than that at which bonds are sold.

Accidents will happen, in fact, most things are accidents.

The Governor of North Carolina A Busy and Business Man

Raleigh, N. C., April 30 (By the Associated Press).—The Governor of North Carolina is a busy man. He goes to work about 8 o'clock each morning and often midnight finds him wrestling with problems of State. The transfer of pardon powers to a commissioner created by the General Assembly to handle them has not added any leisure hours to the Chief Executive's time. The same General Assembly broadened his powers and placed responsibilities on him that more than made up for the time he might have saved.

Governor McLean is frank in the admission that he does not see how he would have managed if the pardon details had not been transferred to one appointed for the sole purpose of considering them and getting them into shape for final disposition by him. Of course, he has the final word. His signature and that of his private secretary are still that of his private secretary and are necessary to each, but he is relieved of many details that formerly had to be worked out by them jointly and often with the almost undivided time of other members of the executive office force.

Governor McLean spends the forenoon and early noon at the Executive Mansion. That does not mean that he is not engaged. He is. From early morning until he leaves for the office, for a continuation of his executive duties, there is a constant stream of callers at the Mansion. The Governor sees them and hears their bus-

Diplomat



William S. Culbertson of Kansas, vice chairman of the tariff commission, has been recommended for appointment as minister to Rumania. He will succeed Peter A. Jay transferred from Bucharest to become ambassador to Argentina.

FAVORABLE SITUATION FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Bright Outlook Reflected in Review of the Federal Reserve Bank.

Richmond, Va., April 29.—A favorable business situation and a bright outlook, especially for the textile industry, are reflected in the April review issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of the Fifth District.

The review pointed out that "in late April last year textile mills were running only part time and manufactured goods were accumulating, and very bad weather had delayed all farm work. In contrast, it added: "But at present the cotton mills are operating full time and are selling their output as made, while favorable weather has enabled the farmers to make all their seasonal preparations from ten to twenty days earlier than in 1924."

However, the review pointed out "some unfavorable factors," describing these as being "a scarcity of farm labor and a lack of funds with which to hire farm hands, higher fertilizer prices than in 1924, a shortage of feeds which forces farmers to buy high priced grain from stock and lack of sufficient orders to keep coal mines busy."

On the other hand, the review said that "favorable factors appear to outweigh the unfavorable ones."

Describing these favorable factors, the review continued: "Labor is well employed, and therefore the purchasing power of the public continues large."

"Retail trade in March was good, comparing favorably with seasonal average and wholesale trade was better in most lines than in March, 1924."

"The banks of the District are generally in a strong position and are able to care for any legitimate credit demands that appear likely to rise. Debts to individual accounts prove that a very large volume of business is being done, and commercial failures compare favorably with other years."

"Business operations continue in record volume, causing increased activity in many allied industries and giving steady employment to both skilled and unskilled labor."

"Finally, the psychological attitude of the public seems to be favorable for a fairly active business year."

"There is no disposition to boom business, but there does not appear to be much nervousness or fear of what the next few months have in store."

Police Think Soviets Planned Demonstration for Rome

Rome, April 30.—Police declared today they had discovered evidence of an Italian revolutionary organization affiliated with communist groups in Russia which had been planning a May Day workers strike and demonstration against the government throughout Italy.

The police expressed the opinion as a result of their discovery that a very active organization of soviet propagandists are established in Italy. Police acted to prevent trouble tomorrow.

The hall room of the Executive Mansion has been fitted up. On either side of the piano there is a typewriter. The Governor sits at a large table in the center of the room. He personally directs the work of his office there.

In front of Governor McLean, in the middle of the table at which he sits, is a large photograph of President Woodrow Wilson. This was presented to Mr. McLean while he was associated with Mr. Wilson during the war. There is a personal greeting written at the bottom of the picture. The words were penned by President Wilson himself, who affixed his signature. It is a sepia likeness. Governor McLean prizes it very highly and considers it one of the best likenesses of the late President he has seen.

The Governor is all business. He is precise and quick in his movements. He (Continued on Page Five)

MISS M'SWINEY IS GOING TO STAY HERE SHE SAYS IN CHICAGO

Declares If An Attempt to Arrest Her Is Made She Will at Once Start on a Hunger Strike in Jail.

PASSPORT BEING QUESTIONED NOW

Irish Free State Started Inquiry About the Length of Time She Has Been In This Country.

Chicago, April 30.—Miss Mary MacSwiney, sister of Terence MacSwiney, Irish hunger strike, entered this country without a passport and has no intention of ever getting any, she said here before leaving for Minneapolis to speak today.

A hunger strike will be her answer to arrest in connection with the investigation of her entry into the United States, she said.

Latest Developments in Case.

Washington, April 30.—The next step of the Labor Department officials in their investigation of the residence in this country of Miss Mary MacSwiney, Irish republican worker, apparently hinged today on the report of immigration officials at Chicago, who questioned her an hour yesterday about her passport.

The Labor Department authorized the inspection in Chicago of Miss MacSwiney's passport after her presence in this country was made the subject of inquiry at the State Department on behalf of the Irish Free State government.

CONTINUE SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL AND MAN

Hunt for Lucille Chatterton and Earl Woodward Started in New Direction Today.

Granville, N. Y., April 30.—The hunt for Lucille Chatterton, 17 year old Granville girl, and for Earl Woodward, navy deserter, former convict and her alleged kidnapper, swung in a new direction today when it was reported that a man had raided the dairy of a farm between North Randolph and Brookfield just before dawn. The barking of dogs awakened the farmer and his wife, but no one was seen. This morning a can of cream was missing and a man's footprints were found.

Think They Are Located.

Granville, N. Y., April 30.—A man and a girl believed to be Woodward and Lucille Chatterton were located today in East Brookfield by one of the searchers. Both fled when the searcher fired at the man.

BRITISH WILL OPERATE LARGE RUSSIAN MINE

Given 50 Year Lease on Lena Goldfields of Siberia by Soviet Government.

Moscow, April 30. (By the Associated Press).—The soviet government today made the largest concession it has ever granted in signing a 50 year contract with the British Lena Goldfield Corporation, for the exploitation of the Lena gold fields of Siberia which are estimated to contain more than \$100,000,000 worth of gold. American banking interests will participate to the extent of 50 per cent. in the investment.

The Lena mines, which now are operated by the soviet government, will be taken over immediately by the British operating company which exploited the field before the Russian revolution. Concession covers mining operations over several million acres in Siberia.

Woman Held Prisoned on Coal Barge Five Years.

Jersey City, N. J., April 28.—The sudden flare of an old feud between two barge captains related to police today the story of a young woman, the wife of the other, said to have been held prisoner on her elderly husband's coal barge for five years.

During that time, the woman's father charged, his daughter never had set foot on land or been allowed to communicate with landsmen. Since first going onto the barge as a bride, he said, she had borne three children.

The charges were made after police separated William Warn, 64, and Arthur W. Banks, 60, fighting on the Warn barge. Banks had his son-in-law arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct and later told police the story of the alleged imprisonment of his daughter, Martha Warn.

Warn kept his wife prisoner by locking her in the cabin of the barge, according to Banks' story. Banks said he quarreled with his son-in-law at the time of the wedding and that they had been on bad terms ever since. He said his fight with Warn, which was stopped by police resulted from a demand on his part for the release of his daughter.

Billy Sunday Shows Trouble With World.

Greensboro, April 29.—Here's the trouble with the world: "We have gone crazy. We are pleasure mad, fame mad, wealth mad and lust mad. We are drinking at the fountains of pleasure, but the thing that we are hoping to find isn't there."

That is the trouble, said Billy Sunday, colorful evangelist who slipped into Greensboro Tuesday morning and fought a vigorous little battle for the Lord. He spoke at the National theater under the auspices of the Myers' Minute men, a First Presbyterian church organization.

She Doesn't Want to Die Now



Ada Scott, 17, of Kansas City, quarreled with her fiancé. So she decided to commit suicide and jumped from a bridge over the Kaw River. Bill Price, 18, dived in after her and carried the girl 100 feet to safety. Now a new romance is blooming.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opening Steadiness Succeeded by Weakness and Rather Sharp Decline in First Half Hour.

New York, April 30.—Brief opening steadiness in the cotton market today followed firm English cables with first prices unchanged to 4 points higher, was succeeded by weakness and a rather sharp decline in the first half hour.

The selling, which was influenced by further rains in Texas and a private report estimating an area of 44,000,000 acres, or 63 per cent. increase over last year, forced July contracts down to 23.98 and October to 23.68, or 14 to 16 points net lower. It seemed to be the general impression that Texas has received enough moisture for the present and the crop as a whole is getting off to a good start. The South, local shorts, New Orleans and Wall Street bought at the opening while Liverpool spot houses and the South sold.

Cotton futures opened steady. May 24.00; July 24.15; Oct. 23.88; Dec. 24.04; Jan. 23.75.

NO IMPORT DUTIES ON AMERICAN CORN NOW

For Two Months Mexico Will Not Collect Duty on the Grain, Washington Is Told.

Washington, April 30.—Import duties on American corn have been suspended by the Mexican government for a period of two months beginning April 27th.

Consul General Faddell, of Mexico City, reported today to the State Department that the duties had been suspended by executive decree issued April 27th. No further details of the government's action was given in the brief message.

Officials here, however, were inclined to believe Mexico's corn crop had not produced necessary quantities of that product, and consequent shortage had affected prices, causing an increase to consumers.

NATIONAL BALLOON RACE WILL START TOMORROW

Winner Will Get \$10,000 and Place in the International Race to Be Held Later.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 30. (By the Associated Press).—Five balloonists of national and international reputation, two of them representing the Navy, will soar away from Rosecrans Field here tomorrow in the national elimination balloon race. A prize of \$10,000, a Litchfield trophy, and a place in the international events awaits the winner.

Inflation of the big bags will begin early, and a place in the international events awaits the winner.

Inflation of the big bags will begin early tomorrow, and it is expected they will get away about 5:30 in the afternoon.

Dry Leader's Sons Under Indictment.

Baltimore, April 28.—Winfield Jones, of Washington, D. C., and N. T. Jones, Atlanta, Ga., were granted until Monday next to file pleas to indictments charging conspiracy to violate the prohibition law, and were released on \$2,500 bail each, by United States Commissioner Supple, today.

The two men, sons of the Anti-Saloon League director for Georgia, are alleged to have been the ringleaders in a conspiracy to divert alcohol from government warehouses to the bootleg trade, through the Maryland Drug and Chemical company.

Accepts His Election.

Berlin, April 30. (By the Associated Press).—Field Marshal von Hindenburg today formally accepted his election to the German presidency.

CAPITAL IS AROUSED MUCH AT THE SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC

All Employers of the Government Are Advised to Be Vaccinated as Disease Is In Very Virulent Form.

19 DEATHS HAVE BEEN REPORTED

It Is Said That the President Was One of the First Persons in the Capital to Heed the Latest Warning.

Washington, April 30.—All government employees in the District of Columbia have been requested by the Public Health Service to submit to vaccination against smallpox and there were indications today that President Coolidge was among the first to signify compliance with the request.

As a result of an order from Surgeon General Cumming, department heads today sent instructions to all employees advising them that the vaccination should be accomplished at the earliest possible moment. The orders affect approximately 65,000 government workers.

There have been nineteen deaths here from smallpox since January 1 out of 54 cases thus far known and reported. Two of the deaths occurred yesterday.

MORTGAGES ON LIQUOR CARS TO BE IGNORED

United States Judge in Atlanta Rules Against Claims and Liens.

Atlanta, April 29.—Automobiles seized as liquor carriers can be confiscated by the government, regardless of mortgages, liens or other claims, except when liquor on which tax has been paid is being conveyed, Judge Samuel H. Sibley ruled in a decision handed down today in United States district court.

Discussing the decisions, which was handed down in the case of Goldsmith-Grant company vs. the United States, federal prohibition agents here pointed out that the ruling, in effect, means all claims on automobiles seized as liquor carriers are forfeited.

"Virtually all liquor sold and transported in the northern district of Georgia, the jurisdiction of Judge Sibley's court, is illegally manufactured, and, therefore, no tax is paid on it, it was stated.

Heretofore stated, it was said in court circles, some courts have upheld liens and other claims on automobiles seized as whiskey carriers on the ground the illicit use of machines was without knowledge of the party or parties holding the liens or other claims.

Declares Barlow Made No Gift.

New York, April 30.—Rogers Winter, of Atlanta, Ga., secretary of the Stone Mountain Memorial Association, asserted here today that no gift had been made to the association by Lester H. Barlow, of Raleigh, N. C., who yesterday in a letter to a Raleigh newspaper said he would withdraw a \$1,000 subscription unless Gutzon Borglum was reinstated as sculptor of the Stone Mountain memorial.

"Mr. Barlow has never made a subscription or a contribution to the memorial," said Mr. Winter. "He has given nothing but a newspaper statement some weeks ago for which the effect he intended to contribute \$100,000 of an alleged war against the government, if and when the government paid the claim. Secretary of War Weeks has reported there was no merit in the Barlow claim."

Mr. Winter came to New York with a delegation from the Georgia Press Association and has been in conference with Augustus Lukeman, the new sculptor of the memorial.

Brazilian Rebels Showing Renewed Activities.

Buenos Aires, April 30.—Border advisers say the Brazilian rebels in the state of Sao Paulo who retired to the interior after the failure of their last outbreak, are showing renewed activities and preparing to attack the port of La Guayra on the Parana River.

The Brazilian government forces at La Guayra which is fortified are said to number about 2,000 while 1,200 rebels are already gathered at various points up the river.

Testifies at McClintock Hearing.

Chicago, April 30.—L. P. Clark testified today in the resumed inquest into the death of Wm. N. McClintock that he had been offered a \$5,000 bribe by an attorney for Wm. D. Shepherd, under indictment charged with the murder of McClintock by typhoid inoculation, to sign an affidavit which Clark said he had never seen.

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS



Partly cloudy tonight and Friday, probably showers in the extreme west portion tonight; continued cool.