

Annual Session Of 69th Congress was Formally Opened at Noon Today

More Than 12,000 Bills Already Are on the Senate House Calendars...

REDUCTION OF BIG QUESTION

Relief, Radio Control, Muscle Shoals Are Major Problems Demanding Attention.

Washington, Dec. 6.—(AP)—With the opening of the 69th annual session of the United States Congress...

WHITE HOUSE TO UNDERGO REPAIRS

It Is Now "Equipped With All Modern Conveniences"

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, formerly of Northampton, Mass., but for some time past residents of this city...

RECESSION OF COTTON MARKET

Prices at Advance of 3 to 5 Cents

Atlanta, Dec. 6.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at 15 to 16 cents...

Favorite Wife Has Flirtation, Five Are Dead

Berlin, Dec. 6.—Five lives were lost in a harem tragedy today when Hassan Maachmud...

With Our Advertisers

The Parks-Bell Co. has just received that especially priced from \$9.95 to \$22.50...

High class winter coats at very moderate prices at J. C. Penney Company's...

M'DERMOTT BEING TRIED FOR MURDER OF DON R. MELLETT

First Move Made by Defense Denied by Judge Edwin W. Diehl, Who Is Presiding.

DEFENSE COUNSEL TAKES THE STAND

Tells About Efforts to Interview Star Witnesses Called by the State in the Case.

Court Room, Canton, O., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Patrick Eugene McDermott, charged with the murder of Don R. Mellett...

MISSIONARY COUNCIL OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, TO BE HELD AT LOUISVILLE

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Five bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South...

NO MATERIAL CHANGE IN YANGTZE PROVINCES

Situation There Remains Same Pending Action by Marshal Chang

Shanghai, Dec. 6.—(AP)—No material change in the situation in the Yangtze provinces is expected...

FIRE BURNS INFANT TO DEATH IN ITS CRIB

Nine-Months-Old Child of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Brown Meets Horrible Fate

Winston-Salem, Dec. 4.—The nine-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Brown...

STRIKE IN HANKOW DID NOT MATERIALIZE

Situation Easier Owing to Efforts of Leaders to Effect Industrial Peace

Peking, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Little news from Hankow was available here today...

50 KILLED IN SOUTH IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

284 Others Were Injured, According to Associated Press Survey

Traffic accidents in the South last week left fifty persons dead and 284 injured...

Mrs. Hall and Her Two Brothers Plan To Institute Suit Against Newspapers

New Brunswick, N. J., Dec. 6.—With the threat of libel suits by those who were accused of having slain the Rev. Edward Hall...

KING FERDINAND HAS OPERATION; CONDITION GOOD

Bucharest, Roumania, Dec. 6.—(AP)—King Ferdinand today underwent an operation shortly after the return of Queen Marie...

PREDICTS GENERAL WILL BE ELECTED PRESIDENT IN 1928

Commissioner Grist Says History Is Due to Repeat Itself and He Will Be Chosen.

SAYS HE IS THE LOGICAL MAN

Will Be Selected as a Compromise Candidate Between Smith and McAdoo, He Says.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 6.—(AP)—"History is due to repeat itself in 1928 and General John J. Pershing will be elected to the Presidency..."

ROBISON EXAMINED AT LENGTH ABOUT NAVAL OIL LEASES

Called Back to Stand in the Fall-Doheny Case, He Was Asked Many Questions by Roberts.

Washington, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Navy testimony in defense of the oil leasing policy of 1922 was put on the dissecting table today by government counsel in the Fall-Doheny conspiracy trial.

ADMITS MISTAKE IN STATEMENT

Says He Did Discuss Oil Lease Contract With Doheny Before the Lease Was Made.

Washington, Dec. 6.—(AP)—The witness chair was occupied by Rear Admiral J. K. Robison, who spoke for the navy department in the negotiations which resulted in award of several oil contracts to Edward L. Doheny...

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Cleared, Home and Happy!



True happiness was spelled in the features of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall when she returned to her home in New Brunswick, N. J., after a jury had acquitted her and two brothers of the murder of Mrs. Eleanor Mills, her husband's sweetheart. Mrs. Hall is shown with her cousin, Arthur Carner.

Saxophone Music Is Bugling By Imps to Call Wicked to Hell, Says Preacher

(By International News Service) Cleveland, O., Dec. 6.—The lugubrious saxophone and the baleful slipper are bugles, blown by imps and calling the wicked to assemble in hell, according to the Rev. Homer L. Cox, prominent local minister.

Moral color-blindness and atrophy of the brain cells are caused directly by the vibrations of syncope causing the sufferer inevitably to become mentally intoxicated, he declares.

"Syncope music violates the three essential elements of music—rhythm, melody and harmony," the minister declares. "The syncope begins his tone on an unaccented part of the measure and carries it through the accented part of the succeeding measure."

"With such instruments as the saxophone and the slide trombone the softness is produced which augments the spirit of abandon, until the vibrations produce atrophy of the brain cells. This is followed by mental intoxication and often moral color-blindness."

"This music necessitates a nervous, jerky movement which invites immoral variations. The dance is an effort to interpret the music. When the music is vicious the dance cannot be otherwise."

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GERMANY WILL ASK CESSATION OF THE MILITARY CONTROL

This Question More Important Than Reduction of Army of Occupation, the Germans Think.

LEAGUE COUNCIL TO HEAR REQUEST

The Germans Also Oppose League Inquiry Into the German Armaments, It Is Pointed Out.

Geneva, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Germany will make a determined effort before her delegates leave to secure a definite agreement upon an early date for cessation of the inter-allied military control.

The declaration was made to the Associated Press today by a member of the German delegation at the end of the first meeting of the 43rd session of the league of nations council.

Bitterness among German people ever inter-allied control is steadily growing, the spokesman continued, and the question is even more important that reduction of the army of occupation.

Moreover, Germany will insist on modification of the project to investigate German armaments which it is expected will be substituted for inter-allied control.

The council, after disposing of routine matters, adjourned until afternoon.

Foreign Minister Stresemann, of Germany, did not insist, as was expected, on immediate discussion of the plan for investigation of German armaments by the league, and thus created the impression that he hoped to secure concessions in the private conversations. Failing there, he undoubtedly will push the matter publicly in the council.

ROUTES TO THE SOUTH

Six Routes From the North to Florida Through North Carolina

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Six routes from the North to Florida through North Carolina are described in detail by the latest bi-weekly road condition report issued by the Carolina Motor club.

The routes are shown with optional roads and complete information regarding detours, of which there appear twenty of major importance of the six routes between Washington and Jacksonville.

The report outlines the "Coastal Highway," a heretofore little advertised route, entering the state at Weldon and passing into South Carolina over route 202 from Chatham, Savannah and Jacksonville.

The "Cottonbelt Highway" from Washington to Jacksonville strikes through North Carolina by way of Greensboro and Charlotte.

The "Woodpecker Route" gives options of going either by Durham, Greensboro and Charlotte or by way of Chapel Hill, Aberdeen and Rockingham into South Carolina.

The "All Weather" strikes the Piedmont section of North Carolina and into Spartanburg, S. C., then down through Athens, Ga., and into Lake City, Fla.

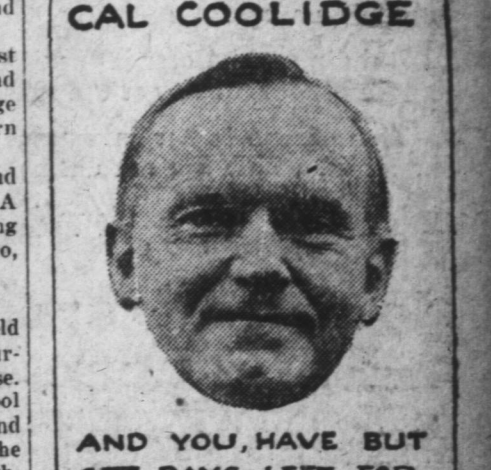
The other two routes are not designated by names, but one leads from Hagerstown, Md., through the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia, through the mountains of North Carolina, touching at Asheville, and then into Georgia by way of Atlanta. For eastern traffic it is at of the way. The last route is directed by way of Richmond, Raleigh and Columbia, and thence south by optional routes.

Independent of the Price of Cotton

Albemarle, N. C., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Brood sows, poultry flocks and the dairy cow has made T. H. Almond, of Albemarle Route 6, in Stanly county, independent of the price of cotton, according to O. H. Phillips, county agricultural agent. Some years ago, says Mr. Phillips, Mr. Almond found that he realized greater dividends from his farm in the long run by planting pastures, building houses for livestock and going in for other things besides the fleecy staple.

MINNESOTA CREAMERIES ARE PRODUCING POWDERED SWEET BUTTERMILK

The product is used by the manufacturer of bread, pancake flour, ice cream, candy and sausage.



Colored teachers of the county held their first meeting of the year Saturday afternoon at the court house. Prof. J. B. Robertson, county school superintendent, met with them and outlined the work to be done at the various meetings to be held throughout the scholastic year. Practically all of the colored teachers were present.

AND YOU, HAVE BUT 17 DAYS LEFT FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING