

STRICT ECONOMY URGED BY GARDNER

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MANY DISAPPROVE PRINCIPLE OF IDEA

Whole System of Economic Relief Asked by President Ragged on Capitol Hill as Dependent on Reconstruction Finance Corporation

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Washington, Jan. 14.—Congress is putting President Hoover's emergency program into effect with a fair degree of docility, but no enthusiasm. Many lawmakers are skeptical of the plan's success. Others disapprove of it in principle. But nearly all are afraid to oppose it, lest they be accused of trying to delay prosperity's return from political motives. The whole system of economic relief legislation recommended by the president is regarded on Capitol Hill as dependent on the restoration of construction finance corporation, designed by him to thaw out frozen securities. If this process results in the liquefaction of genuine values only, no one

HUGE WAR CHEST URGED FOR PARTY

Shouse Stresses Need For \$1,500,000 To Carry Out Coming Campaign

Chicago, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Need for \$1,500,000 war chest if the Democratic party is to hold and increase its gains made since 1928, was stressed by J. W. Shouse, chairman of the national executive committee at a luncheon of the party's Illinois victory committee today. Calling attention to what he termed the woeful lack of organization and the depleted condition of the party's treasury prior to the 1928 campaign, he said remarkable results towards stabilization had been achieved since through efforts of John J. Raakob, national chairman.

CHANGES MADE IN JORDAN SENTENCE

Wilson, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Judge Johnson J. Hayes today made a minor change in the sentence of Alton L. Jordan, Norfolk attorney, convicted in United States District court here yesterday of perjury. The sentence was made to read two years imprisonment on each of two counts of perjury, the sentences to run concurrently. Yesterday the judge sentenced Jordan to two years on the combined counts.

Prices Paid For Tobacco Are Far Below Last Year

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Star-Writer Hotel, at J. C. BANKERVILLE.
Raleigh, Jan. 14.—Tobacco producers' sales in North Carolina up to January 1, 1932, amounted to 422,631,212, according to figures released today by the State-Federal Crop Reporting Service. The total sales on the same date a year ago amounted to 490,595,793 pounds. The average price for all sales this season was \$9.17 per hundred pounds as compared with an average price of \$13.41 per hundred last season, or \$4.24 per hundred less than was paid last season. Indications are that the U. S. Government crop estimate of 468,620,000 pounds for the North Carolina 1931 crop will be equalled if not exceeded, the report says, since two months yet remain in the sales season and since some 25,000,000 pounds of tobacco grown in North Carolina is sold in border markets each year either in South Carolina or Virginia. A considerable amount of very poor tobacco was offered for sale in many markets in some instances so poor that it was

Roaring Rapids on a Mississippi Farm



The angry, white-capped rapids shown above might well be part of the roaring torrent that rushes over Niagara Falls, but this photo was made near Jackson, Miss., where a break in the levee resulted in the waters of the Tallahatchie River inundating more than 40,000 acres of rich delta land. Despite the superhuman efforts of an army of volunteers, who labor night and day to strengthen the barriers, the tributaries of the mighty Mississippi continue to batter down all resistance, spreading watery desolation throughout the valley. Note the height to which the flood has reached on the house above.

HOOVER WILL SEEK OLD OFFICE AGAIN

Postmaster General Brown Announces President Candidate For Re-nomination

Washington, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Postmaster General Brown announced today that President Hoover was a candidate for renomination on the Republican ticket. The postmaster general, who in political circles is considered the most likely successor to Senator Fess as chairman of the Republican National committee said that local conditions would be met in each state as to methods of entering the president's name in the races for delegates. "The only way President Hoover can be renominated," he said, "is to get delegates to the convention. There are about twenty or thirty different methods by which these delegates are selected and the president's friends will conform to these methods in the different states. He said no decision has been reported as to whether Mr. Hoover's name would be entered in the North Dakota primary March 1. "No decision will be reached in these matters until the time comes for action," he said. "When that time comes prompt action will be taken."

TRIAL FOR RALEIGH NEGRO IS POSTPONED

Raleigh, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Trial of Jake (Sunshine) Jones, diminutive Negro, who faces two capital charges embraced in three cases was continued in Superior court here today until February. Jones is the confessed slayer of J. H. Pool, aged filling station watchman and also confessed to numerous robberies here and in Durham which resulted in indictments charging first degree burglary, a capital crime,

Name Of Mellon Linked With Columbia Oil Deal

Patman Charges Mellon Had Hand In Influencing Loan To Central American Country After Which Huge Oil Concession Was Made To U. S. Company

Washington, Jan. 14.—(AP)—The name of Secretary Mellon was linked today with testimony involving the granting of an oil concession by Columbia to an American concern immediately after a large loan had been made by American bankers to that country. While the Senate Finance committee was seeking information from the State Department which might tie the two transactions together. Representative Patman, in his impeachment efforts was charging that Secretary Mellon had a hand in influencing the loan. Edsel Ford, told the House Military committee that his father, Henry Ford, no longer is interested in leasing Muscle Shoals. Ford was in conference with the committee behind closed doors for nearly two hours. Several years ago Ford made a bid for the huge \$150,000,000 project on the Tennessee River in Alabama. Committee representing the House Republican and Democratic anti-prohibition blocs today agreed their groups should unite in support of a constitutional amendment restoring control of liquor to the State. The House today agreed to vote tomorrow on the two billion dollar reconstruction finance corporation bill already approved by the Senate. An amendment setting aside for agricultural loans \$200,000,000 of the funds of the proposed corporation was adopted today in the House. Senator Connally, Democrat Texas, said he had heard "considerable ad-

MARION MAN FACES TRIAL FOR MURDER

Munyon Williams Being Tried For First Degree Slaying of Drunken Man

Marion, N. C., Jan. 14.—(AP)—Munyon Williams, 24, charged with the first degree murder of Berlin Smith, six weeks ago, went on trial in Superior court here today before Judge J. H. Clements. Smith died three weeks after he was hit on the head with a hammer. The defense claimed Smith was drunk and instigated a fight with Williams. Physicians said Smith died from an infection induced by blows on the head.

PRITCHARD CONTEST BALKED IN SENATE

Senator Robinson Characterizes Contest Against Bailey as "Frisivolous"

Washington, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Characterizing George Pritchard's contest for the seat of Senator J. W. Bailey, of North Carolina as "frivolous," Senator Robinson of Arkansas today had succeeded in sending back to committee the proposal for a \$10,000 investigation fund. Democratic leaders have persistently blocked the efforts of Senator Shortridge, of California, to bring the matter up for final consideration.

Mortgage Closure. Ridgewood, N. J., Jan. 14.—The Fidelity Title and Mortgage Guarantee Company, holding first mortgage approximating \$17,000,000, was taken over by the State Department of Banking and Insurance yesterday at the request of the company's directors

SPECIAL TERM FOR HAWAII LAWMAKERS TO DISCUSS CRIME

Governor of Territory Turns To Defending Self Against Congressional Blame

NEW ASSAULT CASE CLAIMING ATTENTION

Legislature Which Will Convene Next Monday Will Consider Law Changes To Reorganize Police Forces

Honolulu, Jan. 14 (AP)—After calling a special session of the Territorial legislature to consider Honolulu's crime situation, Governor Lawrence M. Judd, today turned to defending himself against congressional blame for the present state of affairs. Meanwhile a new case of attempted assault upon a woman attracted attention along with the forthcoming legislative session and the grand jury session tomorrow to consider indictments of a society matron, a navy lieutenant and two enlisted men accused of killing a suspected assailant of the officer's young wife. Behind the call of the special session public sentiment was crystallizing for a clean-up of the tense situation growing out of recent attacks on women, and the abduction and killing of Joseph Kahahawai, Hawaiian, accused of assaulting the bride of Lieut. Thomas H. Massie, U. S. N. Massie, his mother-in-law, Mrs. Granville Foresee, and two naval

KENTUCKY LABOR LEADER CONVICTED

William Hightower Draws Life In Prison In Mine Strike Slaying

Mount Sterling, Ky., Jan. 14 (AP)—William Hightower, Harlan county labor leader was convicted of murder conspiracy charges by a jury in Circuit court here today. His sentence was fixed at life imprisonment. The verdict was the same as that given William B. Jones, secretary of the Miners' Union at Everts, of which Hightower was president. Jones, first of nearly thirty defendants in the case was convicted December 10. Hightower, 77 years old, and forty years a coal digger, heard the verdict read without emotion. The jury took his case late yesterday and deliberated in all about two hours.

BYRD IS ENDORSED FOR HIGHEST POST

Former Governor of Virginia Urged For Presidential Nomination

Richmond, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Harry Flood Byrd, former governor of Virginia and vice-chairman of the Democratic National committee was endorsed for the Democratic nomination for president of the United States today in a joint resolution unanimously adopted by the general assembly of Virginia. Byrd was given credit for making Virginia "a leading example of intelligence and progressive administration."

VICTORY DINNERS OF DEMOCRATS TONIGHT

New York, Jan. 14.—(AP)—More than 50 "victory dinners" by Democrats in 33 states tonight will lend fresh impetus to Democratic pre-convention politics by affording an opportunity to nearly all party leaders to be heard.

Henry Stevens Ill. Sedalia, Mo., Jan. 14 (AP)—Henry L. Stevens, Jr., of Warsaw, N. C., national commander of the American legion, was confined by illness to his room in a hotel here today and was unable to give a scheduled address at a legion meeting. He is suffering from a mild attack of indigestion.

Warning To Cut Expenses Given Department Heads At Conference In Raleigh

Dawes' Successor?



Upon his return to Boston from a trip to Washington, rumors have persisted that former Senator William Butler, above, of Massachusetts, will be named ambassador to Great Britain, succeeding Charles G. Dawes who is retiring. Butler was campaign manager for President Coolidge and formerly was chairman of the Republican national committee. He refused to comment when asked regarding the report. At the White House it is said Butler's name has not been considered.

NEW CABINET NOW FORMED BY LAVAL

Young Men Make Up New Governing Group For French Republic

Paris, France, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Pierre Laval, one of the youngest of French premiers, began his preparations for the coming international conferences today with a new cabinet of youth. The new cabinet, the 87th under the third Republic, was approved by president Paul Doumer, last night. In place of the veteran Aristide Briand, foreign minister for the last six years and called the "peacemaker of Europe," M. Laval, himself will occupy the Foreign office as well as the premiership.

Reynolds Company Keeps Up Old Wage Standards

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Star-Writer Hotel, at J. C. BANKERVILLE.
Raleigh, Jan. 14.—The fact that the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company of Winston-Salem earned a net profit of \$36,396,816 during 1931 should be of interest generally to citizens of North Carolina, since it means that the company will pay to the state of North Carolina in income taxes alone considerably more than \$2,000,000 as compared with only \$1,600,000 in income taxes in 1930. S. Clay Williams, president of the company, pointed out while in Raleigh Wednesday. In addition to this fact, the Reynolds Tobacco Company did not decrease its number of employees during 1931—and its employees in North Carolina number approximately 13,000—nor did it reduce wages in any degree, Mr. Williams pointed out, thus contributing materially to the welfare of the state by keeping all its employees busy with no reduction in wages. Mr. Williams also pointed out that the company's net profit of \$36,396,816, less than \$1,000,000 came from business done in North Carolina, and

Officials Gather With Budget Commission To Make Effort To Cut Expenditures

DROP ALL PLANS FOR ROADS AND PRISON

Chief Executive of State Outlines Exact Conditions of North Carolina In Address Before Group

Raleigh, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Department heads of the State government of North Carolina today unanimously adopted a resolution assuring Governor O. Max Gardner that they would cooperate in keeping State expenditures within current receipts if such is possible.

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Raleigh, Jan. 14.—Sit tight and don't rock the boat. Believe in North Carolina and its inherent ability to meet any problems and any conditions that may arise. Cut budgets, both public and personal to the bone, so that expenses can be held within the revenue in the revenue in sight. If this is done—and it must be done—North Carolina will weather the present economic storm and come out uninjured and unscathed.

This is the substance of what Governor O. Max Gardner as Director of the Budget told the heads of the various State departments and institutions meeting here today with the Advisory Budget Commission, to consider ways and means for reducing expenses so that the budgets of the various departments and institutions may be held within the revenue of the State. Because of the shrinkage in revenue and the uncertainty of revenue in the future, the Governor made the following declaration: That there will be no further highway construction in North Carolina until the present troubled financial situation has definitely cleared up. That the new State Prison, for which \$400,000 worth bonds have been

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CHINA VOLUNTEERS TURNING BACK JAPS

About 200 Japanese Reported Slain In Battle In Vicinity of Chinshow

Shanghai, China, Jan. 14 (AP)—Two hundred Japanese soldiers descending upon a railway junction 70 miles northeast of Chinshow were killed yesterday in an engagement with Chinese volunteer militia, word received here today said. The dispatch said the Chinese recaptured the junction at Tabushan in this engagement.

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that hence the company pays in taxes to the state more than twice its profit from the sale of its products within North Carolina. He also pointed out that under the Revenue Act passed by the 1931 general assembly, the company is paying approximately \$500,000 more in corporation income taxes than it would have had to pay had either sales tax plan been passed by the general assembly. Mr. Williams freely admits that the company would rather pay this increase of \$500,000 a year in income taxes than have a luxury sales tax on tobacco and cigarettes, despite the fact that the sales tax would be paid by the smoker instead of by the manufacturer, because a sales tax would tend to decrease the consumption of cigarettes. As an illustration of this contention, Mr. Williams points to the fact that in October, 1931, the number of cigarettes manufactured by all manufacturers in the United States decreased 1,992,000,000—almost two billion—and that this decrease is stri-

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair, somewhat warmer in extreme west portion tonight; Friday cloudy with showers in west portion; moderate southwest or south winds.