

BRITAIN WILL PAY DEBT IN GOLD TOMORROW

Beer Tax Won't Balance Budget, Secretary Mills Advises House Committee

PROPOSAL FAULTY IN MANY RESPECTS, OFFICIAL ASSERTS

Treasury Believes Administration of Beer Section of Measure Will Be Practical

BUT WINE SECTION CALLED IMPOSSIBLE

Mills Again Urges Enactment of Manufacturers' Excise Tax Under Non-Partisan Program, and Would Continue Gas Levy; Believed Hoover's Views

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Secretary Mills estimated today that the beer bill, if enacted, would produce only \$125,000,000 to \$150,000,000 in revenue in the 1934 fiscal year. He asserted that it alone "will not produce the revenue needed to bring the budget into balance."

Neither approving nor disapproving the proposal, the Treasury head told the House Ways and Means Committee that the department believed administration of the beer section would be practical—the wine section impossible.

Apex Bank Is Robbed Of \$2,000

Robbed, Masked Men Meet Cashier. At Opening; Force Him To Open Vault

Apex, Dec. 14.—(9P)—Two hooded masked men today robbed the Apex branch of the Page Trust Company of \$2,000 to \$3,000 and left cashier T. M. Herndon as a prisoner in the bank vault for two hours.

OUR WEATHER MAN



Bonus Payment Demanded In Petitions To Congress

New U. N. C. Head



DR. LOUIS R. WILSON

HOOVER'S SILENCE ON BURNING ISSUES DUE TO OPPOSITION

His Views Repudiated At Polls and He Could Not Recommend What He Did Not Accept

EMPHASIZES EVILS OF LAME DUCK RULE

That President Really Is A Dry Is Interpretation On His Omission of Beer As Revenue Measure; Biggest "Lame Duck" Congress Country Has Had

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Washington, Dec. 14.—The evils of "lame duck" government never were more clearly illustrated than they are being illustrated now.

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Auto Tags Go On Sale Tomorrow

Raleigh, Dec. 14.—(AP)—All was in readiness today at 50 offices over the State to start selling 1933 North Carolina automobile licenses tomorrow.

Radical War Veterans Group Hands Papers to Vice-President Curtis, Speaker Garner

WHITE HOUSE AND CAPITOL GUARDED

Curtis Makes Petitioners Strike Censure of Hoover for Bonus Evictions; One of Group Refuses to Shake Hands, and Curtis Then Speaks His Mind

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A radical war veterans group today handed to Vice-President Curtis and Speaker Garner petitions demanding bonus payment and censure of President Hoover, but Curtis struck out the censure.

WHITE HOUSE AND CAPITOL BOTH UNDER HEAVY GUARD

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Heavy details of city police were sent to the White House and Capitol today and reserves held in readiness at precinct stations after the so-called rank and file veterans announced their intention of sending "a committee" to Congress.

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COASTAL WATERWAY DREDGING AWARDED

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The War Department announced today the award of \$7,500,000 for the dredging of the Cape Fear river, N. C., to Winyah Bay S. C.

More Cotton Is Consumed In November Bulk of Month's Consumption Is In the South, Well Ahead of Last Season

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Cotton consumed during November was reported today by the Census Bureau to have totaled 503,722 bales of lint, and 52,325 of linters, compared with 502,244 and 57,955 for October this year, and 425,228 and 53,967 for November last year.

OLD MAN WINTER HITS CAPITAL



For the first time this year Washington has taken on a wintry aspect. This is a view across the wide expanse of Capitol plaza.

Some State Departments Under Fire In Assembly

Numerous Consolidations, Curtailments or Outright Abolishment Looked for During Coming Legislature; Some Agitation from Disgruntled Element

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Dec. 14.—As a result of the need for curtailing the cost of the State government and the general demand for greater economy in the conduct of the State's business, efforts will be made in the forthcoming General Assembly to either abolish entirely or greatly curtail the activities of a number of State departments and divisions, according to preliminary reports. It is generally agreed, however, that few if any of the efforts

BUDGET BOARD IS FRAMING NEW ACT

Preparing Operating Funds and Revenue Act For 1933 Legislature

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Dec. 14.—The Advisory Budget Commission resumed its sessions here today, together with Governor-elect J. C. B. Ehringhaus, to start work on the preparation of the budget for the two years from June 30, 1933 to June 30, 1935, also, the preparation of a tentative revenue act which will raise enough revenue to balance the budget submitted. This

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WILL ROGERS says:

Beverly Hills, Calif., Dec. 14.—As you read this tomorrow an air express line will be inaugurated from coast to coast—nothing but express. We used to think it was too expensive to send anything by air but a post card, but it's not that way now.

"Flu" Spreading Rapidly In U. S.

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—An increase of influenza cases from 14,291 on December 3 to 28,144 on December 10 was reported today by the Public Health Service. The outbreak was heaviest in the South.

May Extend Rail Cut By Six Months

Proposal Made To Brotherhood by Executives at Chicago Conference

Chicago, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Extension of the present ten percent wage reduction of railway labor for six months beyond the January 31 deadline was proposed to the brotherhoods today by W. S. Hiehoff, chairman of the railway executives, at their joint wage conference.

France Won't Pay Following Defeat Herriot's Cabinet

Beaten on Debts



Premier Herriot of France (above) and his cabinet resigned early today when the French Chamber of Deputies voted down their plan for payment of the \$20,000,000 debt obligation due tomorrow.

Fallen Premier Advises American Government He No Longer Has Right To Negotiate

TWO GOVERNMENTS BEATEN ON ISSUE

Belgian Ministry Resigns After Voting to Withhold Payment; Italy Has Already Made Settlement in Full for Installment Due Here Tomorrow

London, Dec. 14 (AP)—Neville Chamberlain told the House of Commons today that payment of England's \$95,550,000 debt installment will be made in gold in New York tomorrow or by arrangement between the Federal Reserve Bank and the Bank of England.

DOOR IS SLAMMED BY THE SENATE ON HOOVER NOMINEES

Further Nominations By Outgoing President Not To Be Confirmed by Lame Duck Group

STRICT ROLL CALL UPON PARTY LINES

LaFollette and Blaine Of Wisconsin and Shipstead of Minnesota Join Democrats in Denying Further Patronage to the Present Administration

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Senate closed the door today against confirmation of further nominations by President Hoover. It was done in the first party test of the session.

Streams Of State Rise From Rains

Raleigh, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Due to continued daily rains over North Carolina the past week, Lee A. Denson, in charge of the United States Weather Bureau here, said today "slight" floods probably would occur in the Cape Fear and Neuse rivers within the next 24 to 48 hours.

HERRIOT CAN NEGOTIATE NO LONGER WITH AMERICA

Paris, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Premier Herriot instructed Ambassador Claudel at Washington this evening to inform the American government that as a result of yesterday's adverse vote in the Chamber of Deputies, he no longer is qualified to carry on negotiations concerning the debt payments due tomorrow.

TWO GOVERNMENTS FALL RESULT OF DEBT SNARL

(By the Associated Press)

Two governments have fallen after decisions on the American debt, and, although payment will be forthcoming from others, officials at Washington agreed that the situation is still badly tangled.

Farm Group Program Is Presented

Domestic Allotments Plan Largely Embodied In Plan Offered to House

Washington, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A unanimous agreement on fundamental farm relief principles closely approximating the domestic allotments bill prepared by Chairman Jones was submitted to the House Agriculture Committee today by spokesmen for national farm and commodity organizations.

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