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Washington Feels New Hope Now For Debt Settlement

French Premier's Surprise Visit to Ambassador Edge Arouses Interest In Payment
PAUL-BONCOUR WAS AFTER INFORMATION
Unexpected Conference Gives Rise to Speculation on Possible Separate Treatment of French War Debt Problem From That of Other Nations

Paris, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Ambassador Walter E. Edge will postpone making a return call on Premier Joseph Paul-Boncour until he hears from Washington and is able to furnish the premier with general debt information.
An official French spokesman said today that M. Paul-Boncour's surprise visit yesterday to the American Embassy would be more exactly understood if it were interpreted as a "visit for information."

NEW HOPE OF SETTLEMENT IS FELT IN WASHINGTON
Washington, Dec. 24.—(AP)—New hope for an amicable settlement of the French debt difficulties were stated in the capital today as officials awaited the detailed report of the frank conversation in Paris last night between Ambassador Edge and Premier Paul-Boncour.

The unheralded visit of the French premier to the American Embassy for discussion of the situation with Mr. Edge gave rise immediately to speculation whether a separate study of the French war debt problem might not grow out of the meeting.

Autos Collide In Fog Near Asheboro; One Dead, 3 Hurt

Asheboro, Dec. 24 (AP)—John V. Pearce, of Thomasville, Route 3, was fatally injured and three others were seriously hurt when their automobile collided in a heavy fog eight miles from here early today.
Police said they found 12 gallons of liquor in Pearce's roadster, which was demolished. He died in a hospital here a few hours after the crash.
The others injured were Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Freeman and Miss Lena Hancock, of Asheboro.
They are being brought to a hospital here suffering from severe cuts and bruises. Physicians, however, said their conditions were not serious.

EQUALIZING BOARD MAKES BIG SAVING

Net Balance In School Fund of \$1,356,590 Is Reported to Date

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the W. R. Walker Hotel, Raleigh, Dec. 24.—In spite of increased enrollments in the public schools, necessitating an increase of 84 more teachers this year than last, there is a net balance in the State school fund now of \$1,356,590 and this should amount to at least \$1,250,000 at the end of the present fiscal year next June 30. It was learned here today as the biennial report of the State Board of Equalization was made public.
It is agreed that \$500,000 of this

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WEATHER
FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Cloudy; probably occasional rain tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature.

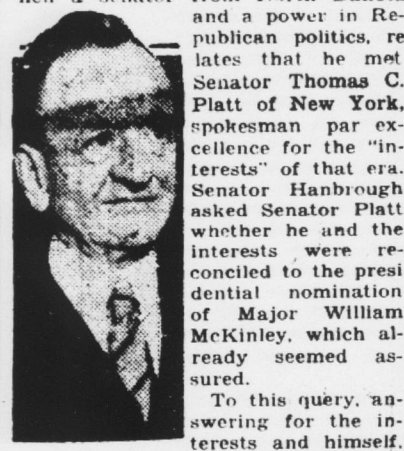
GLASS AND WALSH SEEM ASSURED OF JOBS IN CABINET

Glass To Head Treasury and Walsh, of Montana, Justice Department, Washington Thinks

INTEREST CENTERS MOST IN THESE TWO

But Both Are Nearly 75 Years Old and May Refuse Appointments; So-Called "Interests" Are Watching Very Closely These Two Appointments

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Washington, Dec. 24.—On his way to the G. O. P. national convention of 1936, Henry Clay Hansbrough, then a senator from North Dakota and a power in Republican politics, relates that he met Senator Thomas C. Platt of New York, spokesman par excellence for the "interests" of that era.



Senator Hansbrough asked Senator Platt whether he and the interests were reconciled to the presidential nomination of Major William McKinley, which already seemed assured.
To this query, answering for the interests and himself, ex-Senator Hansbrough quotes Platt as responding:
"If we can name the secretary of the treasury and the attorney general anyone who wants to can have the White House and the remainder of the cabinet portfolios, for all we care."
"I venture the guess," says the old North Dakotan, "that as candid a reply, by the 'interests' of today, to the same question that I put to Tom Platt in the 1890's, would be just what Tom's was."

The consensus of Capitol Hill is entirely in agreement with the ex-senator.
Perhaps this explains why curiosity is so keen in Washington concerning President-elect Roosevelt's probable selections for the treasury and justice department posts in his official family beginning next March—decidedly keener than it appears to be relative to the remaining eight, combined.
Of course there are exceptions. Certain special interests are especially interested in especial departments.

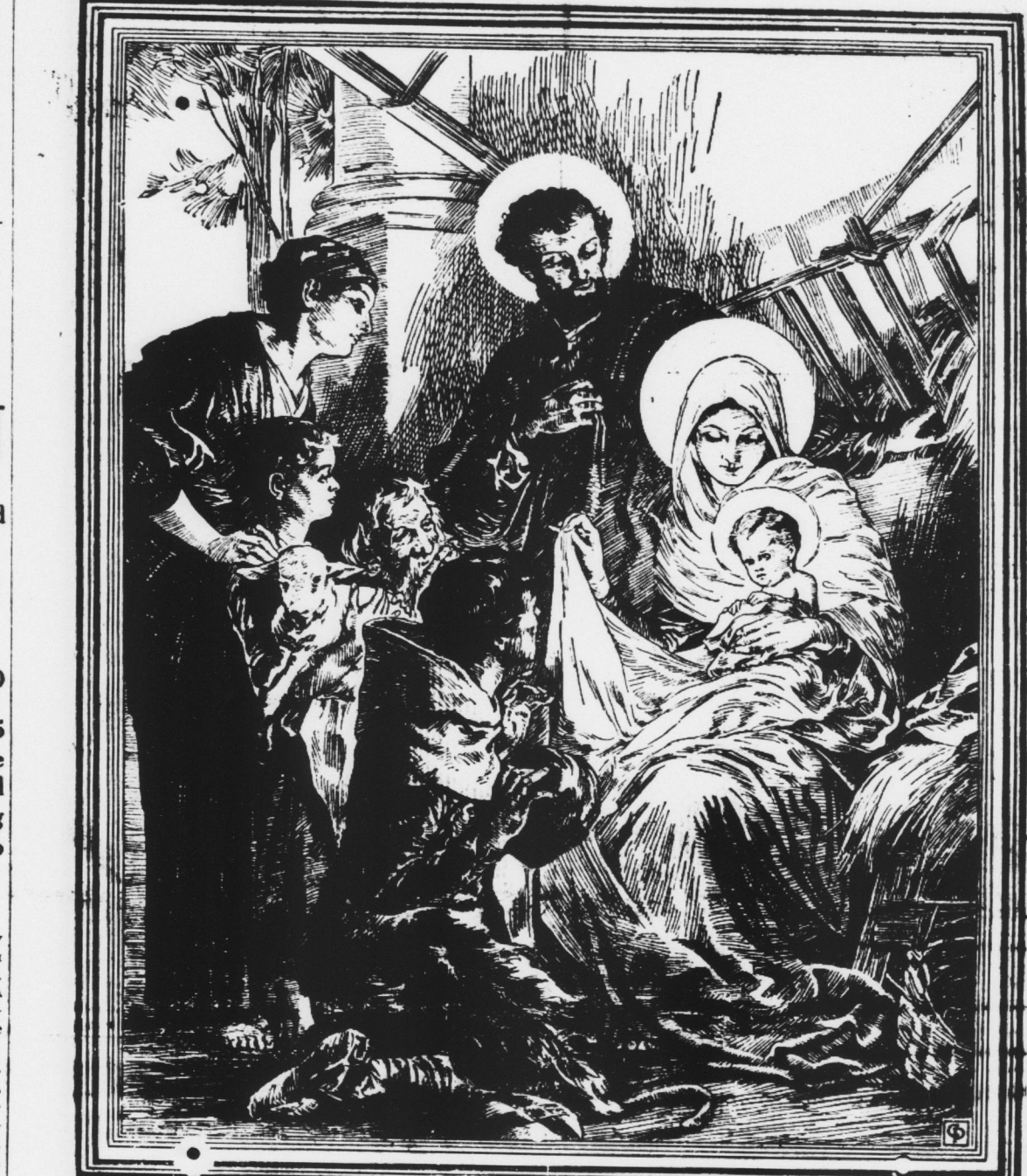
NEGRO IS SHOT DEAD BREAKING IN STORE

Kernersville, Dec. 24 (AP)—An unidentified Negro was shot and killed here early today when he attempted to break into the S. A. Hauser store.

NASHVILLE MAN To RUN DURHAM CLUB

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 24 (AP)—Announcement was made here today that Jack Whitten, Asheville manufacturer and sportsman, had obtained the Durham, N. C. franchise in the Piedmont League.
The deal was consummated at the minor league meeting two weeks ago in Columbus, Ohio, Whitten said, but announcements were held up until all details had been ironed out.

The Holy Night



U. S. Polled Record Vote In November

Roosevelt Set New Mark in Popular and Electoral Vote He Garnered

(Copyrighted by The Associated Press)
Washington, Dec. 24 (AP)—The largest vote in the nation's history was cast in the November presidential election—39,734,351.
With this record were established three others. Franklin D. Roosevelt received the highest popular and electoral vote ever given a winning candidate and President Hoover polled

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WILL ROGERS says:
Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 24.—Say "Babe" Idrickson scaled over another bunch of hurries yesterday. This time it was the A. A. U's that got down on their all fours and she hopped right over them. It didn't take all this messin' around and publicity and ballyhoo, they knew at first if she had been paid for the advertisement or if she hadn't. But the minute they saw those gate receipts slipping out of their hands into hers, they did a high jump backwards. That beat one of her front ones. "Babe" has always beat women. This is the first time she has ever entered the male ranks and showed them up.
Yours, WILL.
P. S. I told you Mr. Hoover would quit worryin' about the debts and leavin' 'em alone.

Children Drown As Ice Crashes

New York, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Several children were reported to have drowned today when the ice on which some 30 children were skating collapsed in Isham park, a part of the Harlem ship canal, near 207th street. Shortly after three emergency squads and ambulances were dispatched to the scene. Police headquarters was informed the bodies of two children had been taken from the water.

Financial Status Of N. C. Shown

Short Term General Fund Notes of \$12,230,000 Revealed in Statement

Raleigh, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Short term general fund notes totalling \$12,230,000 are shown in the combined statement of the State Auditor and Treasurer for November, made public here today.
Refunding of these issues will be one of the major problems confronting the 1933 General Assembly.
A cash balance of \$3,134,178.06 in

HERO OF MANILA DIES IN RALEIGH

Raleigh, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Commander Allen A. Rogers, U. S. N., retired who fought with Admiral Dewey in the battle of Manila Bay, and who later served his country in the World War, died here today at his home after a long illness.

Hoovers In Georgia For Yule Season

Christmas Party Aboard Ship Planned Tonight After Day of Fishing

With President Hoover, on Osabaw Sound, Ga., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Fresh and salt water bass were presidential quarry today as the U. S. Sequoia, carrying the chief executive and Mrs. Hoover, steamed into this broad sound to allow Mr. Hoover his first of ten days of fishing.
During the three-hour cruise from Savannah under sunny skies, the President and the first lady and their five guests settled themselves into the shined and polished 115-foot craft that will be their home for at least a week.
A Christmas Eve party on board, after the day's fishing is done, was

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In ACCORDANCE WITH ITS USUAL CUSTOM THIS PAPER WILL SUSPEND PUBLICATION MONDAY
IN ORDER THAT THE EMPLOYEES OF ITS VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS MAY ENJOY THEIR CHRISTMAS DAY AT HOME

Nation Divides Up With Needy Folks As Yuletide Comes

STATE EMPLOYEES GET LONG HOLIDAY

Saturday and Monday, In Addition to Christmas Day, Given Them
GARDNERS STAY HOME

Spending Their Last Official Christmas as Their First in Executive Mansion; Many Employees Go Home

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the W. R. Walker Hotel, RALEIGH, N. C.
Raleigh, Dec. 24.—While stores are crowded with the last-minute rush of late shoppers and streets thronged with people, the various State department buildings are closed and quiet, to remain so until Tuesday morning. For State employes are getting the longest Christmas vacation this year they have had in many years, with all day Saturday and Monday off, as well as Sunday, which is Christmas day.
Governor O. Max Gardner, Mrs. Gardner and their family are spending Christmas here in Raleigh instead of going to their home in Shelby, as they usually do. One reason for this is that Governor Gardner and his family will leave the Executive Mansion January 5 for their home in Shelby and that they are so busy getting ready to leave that they cannot afford the time. Governor Gardner is especially busy attempting to attend to the thousands of details incident to the closing of his administration, his office and the mansion and turning things over to incoming Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus on January 5.
Most of the major State officials have their homes here and hence are spending the Christmas recess here. Most of them are also busy preparing for the General Assembly, which opens January 4, and are welcoming this brief breathing spell before the legislative session opens.
Those State employes whose homes are outside of Raleigh—and they are many—are taking advantage of the slightly longer vacation to spend Christmas at their homes or with relatives.
At least one of the "lame duck" State officials—Frank D. Grist, commissioner of labor, who goes out of office January 5,—started his vacation almost a week ago and some doubt whether he will return before he officially goes out of office.

54 Miners Held Prisoner After Mine Explosion

Mowqua, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Fifty-four miners were imprisoned in the cooperative mine of Mowqua, near Decatur, by a gas explosion in an underground shaft at 9:30 a. m. today. Escape was out off and the fate of the men remained in doubt. Attempts were made to force a tube through the barrier through which to force down a supply of fresh air.

Navy Cadet Meets Death at Crossing En Route to Home

Wren's Ga., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Midshipman J. A. Smith, of the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., was killed and five other cadets injured, some seriously, in an automobile-train collision here early today. The party was en route to Albany, Ga., Smith's home, for the Christmas holidays.
The crash occurred at a crossing here about 6:30 a. m., when the machine transporting the cadets collided with a freight train on the Savannah and Atlanta railroad.

Christmas Season Turns America to Serious Business of Being Happy Once More

FOLKS RUSH HOME FOR CELEBRATIONS

Transportation Services Taxed to Meet Demands; Streets Crowded With Last-Minute Shoppers and Tomorrow Nation Will Go to Church To Worship

(By The Associated Press)
That man with the white whiskers took charge of the situation today. With a wave of his pudgy hand and a toss of his roughish head, he bid care be gone and put folk to work at the serious business of making Christmas merry.
The folks ate it up. The "haves" in great numbers turned to help the "have nots", pouring out food, toys and clothing in a happiness breeding stream.
Men turned from the prose of bread winning to the poetry of Christmas tree trimming. Women prepared the holiday turkey with a smile. All over the land people were rushing home for Christmas, taxing transportation services in some places so heavily and unexpectedly that there were delays, while extra equipment was added.
Streets were ally with last-minute shoppers, hurrying home with parcels and litching to try their voices on Christmas carols. Tomorrow millions will flock to church to lift their hearts in worship at their tidings.
"Christ is born."
Despite difficulties, people were determined that happiness shall reign this Yuletide.

SOS Call Sent by Ship Sinking Off Island of Jamaica

New York, Dec. 24 (AP)—The British freighter Newbrough broadcast an SOS early today stating it was sinking off the island of Jamaica with its engine room flooded. The call, picked up by Station WAX at Miami, Fla., was re-broadcast to the liner President McKinley, which replied that she would proceed to the position given, 125 miles or about eight hours away.

CHOWAN DECISION CREATES PROBLEM

Raise Issue of State Defining School Districts by Legislature

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the W. R. Walker Hotel, RALEIGH, N. C.
Raleigh, Dec. 24.—Shall the State again take over the task of laying out and defining school districts, as it formerly did, or shall the county boards of education be allowed to continue to define school districts as at present?
This is one of the questions the 1933 General Assembly will have to decide.

OUR WEATHER MAN

