

NORTH CAROLINA BANKS PREPARING TO OPEN

Roosevelt Asks For Beer Legislation At Once

SHORTEST MESSAGE ON RECORD IS SENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Tells Congress He Deems Action at This Time To Be of Highest Importance

REACHES DECISION ON SUDDEN IMPULSE

House Siding by Without Any Business; Government Hopes To Get \$125,000,000 Annually in Taxes Levied on Sale of Beer in U. S.

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—In a surprise message of two sentences, President Roosevelt asked Congress today to enact beer legislation immediately.

Democratic leaders of both houses let him know at once that they would follow his recommendations. Vice-President Garner referred it to the Senate Finance Committee. Speaker Rainey turned it over to the House Ways and Means Committee.

The prospect was that within a few days both branches would approve the legislation and put taxes on the leveraged, aimed to bring in \$150,000,000 a year toward balancing the budget.

The Democratic leadership and anti-prohibitionists expressed confidence that the vote to pass the bill without ado were to be had.

"I hope it may be disposed of as promptly as may be found practical," Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, the Democratic leader, said, adding that "we will have to get this economy program out of the way first, however."

Washington, March 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt, in a surprise special message to Congress today, asked for immediate enactment of beer legislation.

In a message of two sentences, the President said:

"I recommend to the Congress the passage of legislation for the immediate modification of the Volstead act, in order to legalize the manufacture and sale of beer and other beverages, of such alcoholic content as is permissible under the Constitution; and to provide on such manufacture and sale by substantial taxes a proper and much needed revenue for the government."

"I deem action at this time to be of the highest importance."

The President considers revenue to

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Electrocution of Zangara Fixed for Week of March 20

Tallahassee, Fla., March 13.—(AP)—Governor Dave Sholtz, of Florida today signed a death warrant calling for the electrocution of Giuseppe Zangara at the State Prison at Fairford during the week of March 20.

Bowie Would Cut Expenses \$7,000,000 Under New Bill

Substitute for Proposed Appropriations Measure Would Slash 25 Percent From \$25,000,000 Measure; Some Activities Would Be Eliminated

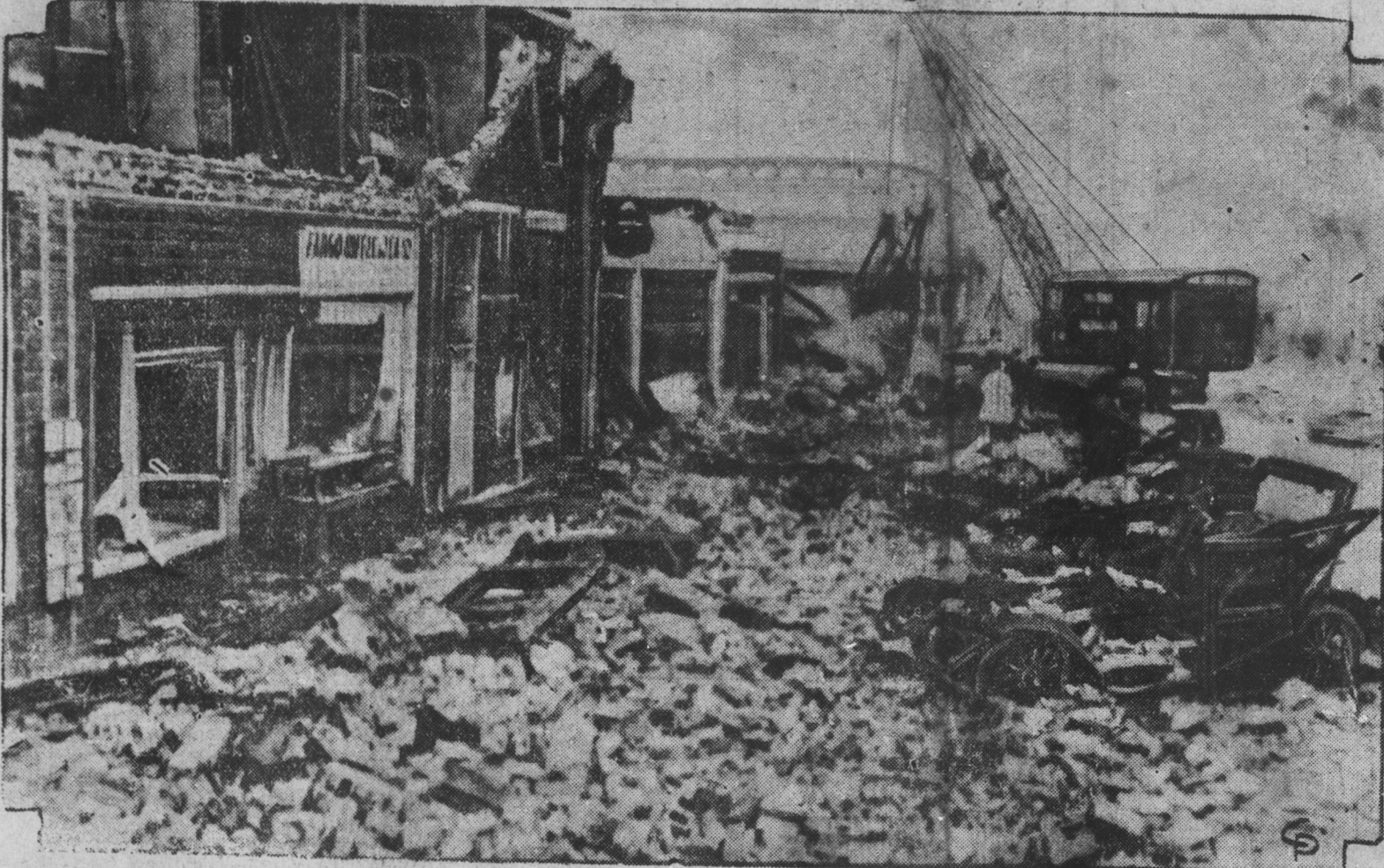
By J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, March 13.—The appropriations bill prepared by Representative Tam C. Bowie, of Ashe county, and which will be offered by him as a substitute for the committee appropriations bills when it is taken up in a special order in the House Tuesday morning, is the center of interest here for a number of reasons. One reason is that it is expected to be the target of attack by Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus when he appears before a joint session of the General Assembly to discuss the State's fiscal situation and to try to get some concerted action on the appropriations and revenue bills. Still another reason this bill is of transcendent interest right now is

that if it should be enacted, it would reduce appropriations to such an extent that a great many of the State institutions and departments would be forced to virtually close up and force hundreds, if not thousands, of present State employees to join the army of the unemployed.

Is 25 Percent Cut. The Bowie bill represents a reduction of approximately 25 per cent in the total appropriations as set forth in the committee bill, and calls for a total outlay from the State general fund of only about \$18,000,000 a year instead of the \$25,000,000 a year called for by the committee bill. It not only drastically reduces the appropriate

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California Prepares to Rebuild as 'Quakes Continue



Not even waiting for the tremors to subside, the residents of Compton, Calif., immediately started removing debris to prepare for rebuilding. This is a general view of a ruined street in Compton and shows a steam shovel at work the morning after the earthquake practically destroyed the town. Slight shocks were still being felt as the photographer made this picture.

Major Bills To Be Heard This Week

New Constitution, Election Reforms and Prohibition Before Assembly

Raleigh, March 13.—Biennial appropriations, election laws, prohibition, re-apportionment of the House membership, and North Carolina's proposed new constitution are among the lively issues which will furnish grist for the legislative mill this week.

The prohibition issue will come to the fore in the House tonight when the lower branch of the General Assembly is scheduled to take up the Cover bill repealing North Carolina's ten-year-old bone-dry Turlington Act. Election Law Changes. At the same time, the senate is expected to take final action on the Bowie bill, which has already passed the House, calling for drastic changes in North Carolina's election laws, estimated by election officials to save more than \$60,000 annually.

The House is slated to get down to work finally on the appropriations bill Tuesday. The committee bill, which has been before the lower house for more than a week, has been delayed because of the uncertainty which has surrounded the banking situation.

And while the House is battling

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Ehringhaus To Demand Needed Appropriations And A Balanced Budget

Governor Expected To Call on Legislature Tonight To Provide Adequately for State's Activities and Enough Revenue To Meet the Costs

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the St. Walter Hotel, Raleigh, March 13.—While no one knows just what Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus is going to tell the joint session of the General Assembly when he addresses it tonight at 8 o'clock, it is believed that he will tell it very emphatically that:

Two Things Necessary. 1. He must adopt appropriations bill that will provide for the efficient operation of the public schools, State educational and charitable institutions and other necessary functions of the State.

2. It must then adopt a revenue bill that will yield sufficient money to provide for the amount called for in the appropriations bill, and thus balance the budget in fact. Whether or not Governor Ehringhaus will go into details concerning the type of appropriations bill he thinks should be adopted, is not known. But it is already known in

circles close to the governor that he is vigorously opposed to reducing appropriations to the low level being advocated by Representative Tam C. Bowie, of Ashe county and some of the members of the House who have aligned themselves with Bowie. It is likely, of course that Governor Ehringhaus probably will not refer either to Representative Bowie or the Bowie appropriations bill by name. But it is believed that he will go into considerable detail concerning the minimum needs of the public schools, the State University and other State educational institutions and of the various other State agencies, and point out to the General Assembly the danger involved in reducing too greatly the appropriations for all these State maintained activities. After he has done this, it is believed he will ask the General Assembly to give very careful consideration to the appropriate

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California Experiences Hard Quake

Damage in Long Beach and Many People Scurry From Beds Out Into Open

Los Angeles, Cal., March 13.—(AP)—Dawn of the third day since the earthquakes of Friday brought another tremor, which sent thousands of southern Californians out of bed at 5:18 a. m. today, and caused slight damage in Long Beach, scene of more

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SENATOR, SHERIFF FACE INDICTMENTS

Greenville, S. C., March 13.—(AP)—Four bills of indictment charging Cliff R. Bramlett, former Greenville county sheriff, with official misconduct and embezzlement and charging Joseph R. Bryson, former State senator, with bribery, were handed a grand jury here today.

Court attaches said the two would be tried at the present term of general sessions court if true bills are returned.



Santa Monica, Calif.—Bless Arthur Brisbane's loyal heart. He tried to say it wasn't an earthquake. He said the buildings were non-union constructions, and the people were killed through a sudden stroke of old age.

But he didn't know that our California papers had turned frank and just said: "We had an earthquake. It was no fire, no tidal wave, no act of the Democratic party. It was just an old-fashioned earthquake."

You see, the Lord, in His justice works everything on a handicap basis. California, having the best of everything else, must take a slice of the calamities. Even my native Oklahoma (the Garden of Eden of the West), has a cyclone, Kansas, while blessed with its Grasshoppers, must endure its politicians. New York, with its splendors, has its Wall Street, and Washington, the world's most beautiful city, has a lobbyist crawling out to attack you from every man hole. Even J. P. Morgan is not sitting as pretty as he was.

So every human, and every place is equal after all. Yours,

Scores Of Banks Call Upon Hood To Get Licenses

Daniels Is Ambassador For Mexico

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—Joseph Daniels, Raleigh, N. C., publisher, was nominated by President Roosevelt today to be United States ambassador to Mexico City. At the same time the President nominated Robert W. Bingham, Louisville, Ky., publisher, to be ambassador to the court of St. James, London; and Jesse Isidor Straus, of New York, to be ambassador at Paris.

The nominations were sent to the Senate along with the re-appointment of Eugene O. Sykes, of Mississippi, as a member of the Federal Radio Commission.

ECONOMY MEASURE WINS FIRST TEST MADE IN SENATE

Attempt To Send Roosevelt's Bill To Committee, Is Severe Setback for Foes

G. O. P. MEMBERS TO SUPPORT PRESIDENT

Effort May Be Made To Limit Cuts for Veterans Instead of Giving Roosevelt Blanket Authority; Vote Is 60 to 20 Against Committee Action

Washington, March 12 (AP)—The Senate today tabled a motion by Senator McCarran, Democrat, Nevada, to refer the Roosevelt economy program to the judiciary committee.

Failure of the attempt to send the bill to committee represented a severe setback for foes of the legislation. Its advocates immediately expressed more confidence that the drastic authority requested by President Roosevelt over veterans and payroll costs would be granted within the next several days, the House having

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500 CHINESE ARE KILLED IN BATTLE

Chinchow, Manchuria, March 13.—(AP)—Japanese reports said today 500 Chinese were killed in a battle which lasted all day Sunday at Hsifengkow one of the passes in the Great Wall of China. The Japanese casualties were listed as 13 killed and 31 wounded

Ruth Will Refuse Pay Of \$50,000

St. Petersburg, Fla., March 13.—(AP)—Babe Ruth and the New York Yankees were further apart than ever today.

Following a brief conference with Ruth at the training base here today, Colonel Jacob Ruppert, Yankee owner, announced that the home run slugger had refused his offer of \$50,000 and that there would be no compromise.

"Fifty thousand dollars is a lot of money for a man of 39," was Ruppert's comment, and he added that the next move was up to Ruth. Ruth refused to consider a cent less than \$60,000, cutting his original demands down \$2,500 and remarked after the conference that if Ruppert wanted to keep him out of baseball because of \$10,000, it was satisfactory to him.

Roosevelt Calls on People of Country To Support Plans for Financial Operations

PLENTY CURRENCY IS BEING PROVIDED

Work Is Running Smoothly, State Commissioner Says, and Licenses To Resume Activity Will Be Issued In Cases of Banks That Are Approved

Raleigh, March 13.—(AP)—Several scores of State banks in North Carolina this afternoon had applied to Gurney P. Hood, State bank commissioner, for permission to reopen for unrestricted business, but no license to allow resumption of business before Wednesday will be issued, except as necessary to supplement Federal licenses.

There are 330 banks in the State, which are exclusively under the supervision of the bank commissioner, and they must each receive an individual license to reopen before they can resume business. Throughout the day the commissioner held one conference after another with bankers from every part of the State in regard to the reopening of closed institutions. "Our work is running smoothly," Hood said. "When we quit early this morning every application received yesterday had been cleared through the steps necessary in this department. All, however, await the instruc-

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Hood In Warning To State Against Hoarding Money

Raleigh, March 13.—(AP)—Gurney P. Hood, State bank commissioner, today warned North Carolinians against hoarding money.

"Last night the President said money was safer in banks than in mattresses," the commissioner said. "In my opinion in the future money will be safer in banks than in safety deposit boxes." "The President warned against hoarding gold. In my opinion a man exchanging gold and gold certificates for currency for hoarding purposes is just as much liable under the Federal law as the person hoarding gold."

Many Banks Open With No Limits

Federal Reserve Banks First To Open; Others Tomorrow, Next Day

(By the Associated Press.) Many of the nation's banks reopened without restrictions today and everywhere officials reported that business was being done "at the right window." (Bankers say "the right window" is the receiving teller's window. It is here that deposits are made.)

Leading the list of those resuming operations under the plan outlined by President Roosevelt were members of the Federal Reserve System. Cities with recognized clearing houses will open tomorrow, and banks in smaller places will open as rapidly as State or Federal authorities can approve. Many savings banks and private institutions also were doing business again. In New York the savings banks could restrict withdrawals to \$25.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Shows tonight and Tuesday; warmer tonight; colder in west and north central portions Tuesday afternoon; colder Tuesday night.