

ROOSEVELT'S PLAN TO AID EMPLOYMENT IS GIVEN APPROVAL

Opposition Wilts Before Substitute Measure Offered Congress by The President

CONNERY PLAN IS DEFEATED, 13 TO 7

Had Sought To Put Wages Paid Men in Reforestation Work as High as \$80 Per Month; Immediate Consideration Is Expected in The Senate

Washington, March 27 (AP)—Opposition wilted before President Roosevelt's substitute employment program today and the measure went to both House and Senate with committee approval.

There was the prospect that it would be taken up immediately in the Senate for action.

Approval in the senate committee for the measure, giving the President broad authority to put men to work in the nation's forests, was easy, but in the House the measure by Chairman Connery came up first. It was rejected by 13 to 7.

In the Senate measure there was stricken, out the \$1 a day wage to be paid men enlisted in a civilian conservation corps, and, instead, the President was given power to put an employment plan in operation. Senators understood, however, that he would be free to go ahead with his plan as originally proposed.

Connery had opposed the President's plan on the ground that the \$1 a day wage would have a bad effect on the wage for unskilled labor, and proposed in his measure that wages up to \$80 a month be paid the men.

Property Is To Get Most In Tax Cuts

Advalorem Tax Ban Big Help; School Supplements May Also Be Forbidden

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY HENRY LESSENE.

Raleigh, March 27.—The greatest demand that confronted the General Assembly when it convened here nearly three months ago was for a reduction of taxes on property, and when the law-makers adjourn sine die, probably three weeks hence, they will have substantially reduced the property tax burden, a survey of the legislative records reveals.

Topping everything, of course, is the abolition of the 15-cent ad valorem tax on property which was imposed by the 1931 session after it had failed to get together on some other means of taxation. Approximately \$4,000,000 was collected from this source last year. The imposition of this tax two years ago was at best the result of a patched-up job, and both political parties pledged themselves to its removal last fall.

Advulorem Tax Barred. At one time during the present session...

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Beer In North Carolina Likely To Be Legalized

Arguments For It Are That Bootlegging Would Be Curbed and Maybe \$1,500,000 In Revenue Derived; Tourist Demand Also Factor in Argument

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, March 27.—Chances for the enactment of legislation to permit the sale of beer in North Carolina are regarded as brighter today than any time so far, largely as the result of the statement issued by Senator Hayden Clement, of Salisbury, chairman of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee. Senator Clement believes that the General Assembly should legalize the sale of beer in North Carolina, with proper safeguards for its control, and that a State tax of \$2

Robin Fights On



The battle which this robin has waged with himself, reflected in the mirror of the window pane of the office of Dr. H. E. Songer, at Kansas City, Mo., has claimed the interest of the entire city. For more than two weeks the disillusioned bird has fought with his reflection which consists of beating away at the window with his wings, feet and bill.

8 MONTHS TERM IS WEEK'S BIG ISSUE

That and Sales Tax To Figure in Senate Appropriations Bill Fight

BOTH TO BE OPPOSED

Stiff Opposition Expected, But Proponents Are Due To Win; University Fund Likely To Be Increased

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Raleigh, March 27.—The question of whether or not the State shall undertake the support of an eight months school term and levy a sales tax in order to maintain it, are going to be the main problems standing in the path of Senate approval of the appropriations bill when it gets under consideration there tomorrow morning. It was agreed here today. For while the House fought for a week over the size of the salary cuts to be given State employes and over the size of the appropriations for the public schools, the University of North Carolina and other educational institutions, indications are that these questions will give very little trouble in the Senate.

In fact, the question of salary cuts and the size of appropriations for almost every thing except the public schools and the University, has virtually been decided already. In its meeting to consider the bill as passed by the House, the Senate Appropriations Committee, of which Senator Hayden Clement, of Salisbury, is chairman, increased all the appropriations...

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Did He Sell Secrets?



Norman Baillie-Stewart

Here is Lieut. Norman Baillie-Stewart, 24-year-old officer of the Seaforth Highlanders, whose trial in London on charges of treason has created a sensation throughout England. Testifying in his own defense, Baillie-Stewart refuted the government's charges of selling military secrets to a foreign agent by insisting that money he received from Germany was sent him by a beautiful girl who became infatuated with him.

ROBBER SLAIN IN STORE IN BATTLE WITH AUTHORITIES

Fayetteville Chief, Deputy and Store Owner Hidden To Await Expected Intruder

NEITHER OF THREE INJURED IN FIGHT

A. W. Brafford's Body Riddled With Bullets; Numerous Stores In City Guarded by Groups Hidden Inside To Await Coming of the Thieves

Fayetteville, March 27.—(AP)—A. W. Brafford, about 34, of near Fayetteville, was shot and fatally wounded here early today during a gun battle with Chief of Police J. Ross Jones, a deputy and a grocer after Jones said Brafford had broken into the grocer's store.

Neither Jones, the deputy—Neil Weatherington—nor the grocer, Sam Tillinghast, was hit, but Brafford was riddled with bullets as the four shot it out in the darkness of the store.

The three were posted in the store, following a series of robberies here, and a number of officers and citizens also had been posted in other business places for the night to guard against thieves.

The shooting occurred about 2 a. m. Jones said Brafford, who had been seen about Fayetteville on several occasions, broke into the grocery and flashed his light, which fell on the police chief.

The officer said Brafford immediately pulled out a pistol and started firing at extinguishing his light. Jones, Tillinghast and Weatherington returned to fire and Brafford fell, mortally wounded. He died in a hospital a few hours later.

No inquest was called immediately pending a complete investigation.

Merger Of Banks Will Be Talked

Raleigh, March 27.—(AP)—More than 500 bankers are expected to attend meeting here tomorrow called by Gurney P. Hood, commissioner of banks, to discuss plans for organizing a giant Statewide commercial bank. Hood said "every banker in North Carolina has been invited to attend. A committee was busy today preparing a program for the meeting, which will be held at the Sir Walter hotel. Banks not open for unrestricted business will be invited to pool their liquid assets to organize the new bank, with any other banking institution, State or national, welcome in the merger," Hood said.

Aid is expected of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which will be asked to subscribe in \$2,000,000 in preferred stock to bring the bank's capital assets to \$6,000,000.

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EUROPEAN VIEWS ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION GIVEN

French Ambassador Confers With Roosevelt, and Urges World Meet Soon as Possible

BRITISH ENVOY IS VISITOR WITH HULL

Sees Secretary of State for Second Time; Issue Closely Allied With War Debts Problems, but no Reference to That Is Made in Statement Issued

Washington, March 27.—(AP)—Simultaneously the English and French views on the economic situation, which the Roosevelt administration considers is closely linked with European debts, was presented today to the President and his secretary of state.

While President Roosevelt was engaged in a discussion of the French attitude with Ambassador Claudel and Jacques Stern bank chairman of the finance committee of the French Chamber of Deputies Secretary Hull was talking for a second time with Ambassador Lindsay of Great Britain. After their talk with the French ambassador, Claudel said they had discussed the coming world economic conference, and that the French favored holding it as soon as possible.

A little later Secretary Hull issued a statement saying his conversation with Lindsay, which lasted an hour and a half, was confined to topics contained in the program for the world's economic conference.

The British ambassador declined to answer a direct question as to whether war debts were discussed.

Five men engaged in the conference. In addition to Sir Ronald and Secretary Hull, those present were T. J. Buckley, the ambassador's financial counselor; Assistant Secretary Raymond Moley, and Dr. Herbert Feis, economic advisor of the State Department.

NEW CONSTRUCTION WILL BE HELD UP

Will Wait Roosevelt's Program; Work Already Begun To Proceed

Washington, March 27.—(AP)—All construction of Federal buildings yet to be contracted for will be held up by the Treasury until President Roosevelt has defined his new building program, which is to be financed on bonds issued rather than by appropriations from current revenues.

This was made clear today in informal quarters as explained for the session, in letting new contracts or selecting new sites under existing construction.

All buildings already under contract will proceed, but the many bids received for new Federal structures or for sites to erect them on will not be acted upon until the new construction plan is framed.

Under contract at present are 306 buildings to cost up to \$328,188,000.

WILL ROGERS says: Nogales, Ariz., March 27.—Nogales, Arizona! It's what Western towns used to be but it still is. Had a fine visit with General Pershing at Tucson, and am mighty glad to relate to you that he is looking fine and feeling much better. It's an education to talk to him on Europe. Who have we got that should know more? Saw Mrs. Gredway, Arizona's mother superior who will perhaps and should be, Arizona's new Congresswoman. Arizona has a fine old character for its new governor. He is a country doctor. Brought 10,000 babies into the world and when they got to voting age he ran for office. Arizona's Legislature passed its bills and adjourned. Then somebody accidentally read 'em; and they will call unconstitutional and cockeyed, so they was another session. But the old doc says, "No; they are liable to get 'em worse than that next time." There is a man that not only knows maternity, but knows State Congressmen. Yours, Will Rogers.

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Japan Formally Withdraws From League Of Nations As Council And Emperor Agree

In U. S. After League "Walkout"



En route to Japan following their dramatic withdrawal from the League of Nations, members of the Japanese delegation to Geneva are pictured as they arrived at New York. A conference with President Roosevelt is planned before the party leaves the United States for home. Seated in center is Yosuke Matsuoka, leader of the delegation, whose impassioned appeal against the League's vote of censure on Japan preceded the "walk-out."

DISAGREEMENT ON POLICY CAUSE OF SECESSION MOVE

Japanese Policy In Support of Manchukuo Basis of Disapproval Voted by League

RESRIPT ISSUED FROM THE EMPEROR

Declares That Despite Withdrawal, Nation Will Continue To Cooperate With League To Assure Peace and Maintain Friendly Relationships

Tokyo, March 27.—(AP)—Japan formally ended today a membership of more than 13 years in the League of Nations.

The final action was taken by the privy council meeting in the imperial palace, and the long-awaited decision was transmitted to Geneva, with the approval of Emperor Hirohito.

The emperor, in a rescript issued to his subjects today, said:

"His Majesty has been pleased to command his government to secede from the League of Nations, following a disagreement in the empire's policy in support of Manchukuo and opinions of the League."

The rescript adds that, despite secession, Japan is going to continue cooperation in the League's efforts to assure peace and maintain friendly relations with other powers.

The resignation was telegraphed to Geneva after Premier Makoto Saito had obtained the emperor's sanction.

Roosevelt Order Unites All U. S. Credit Groups

Woman Widowed by Wreck Discovered Dying In Her Home

Lexington, March 27.—(AP)—Mrs. J. L. Sowers, 36, widow of Dr. J. L. Sowers, who was killed in an automobile wreck last night, was found dying in her apartment here today and lived only a few minutes after a physician arrived.

Dr. R. Z. Zoakley, county coroner, concurred in the opinion of other physicians that Mrs. Sowers had taken an overdose of a drug. He held that no inquest was necessary.

Mrs. Sowers was found by a Negro cook, who summoned aid. Before her marriage her home was in Helena, Montana. She is survived by a son. A funeral arrangement have not been completed.

Stabilization Operations by Farm Board Abolished By Same Drastic Regulations

HALF BILLION FUND FOR RELIEF READY

Sponsored In Senate by Wagner, Costigan and LaFollette; Merger Order Intended To Save Government \$100,000,000

Washington, March 27.—(AP)—President Roosevelt informed Congress today of an executive order establishing all Federal agricultural credit agencies under one unit.

In the same order, the President abolished stabilization operations by the farm board.

The new agricultural financial organization is to be known as the Farm Credit Administration, and will include the farm board, the farm loan bureau and various credit agencies in the Department of Agriculture and Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Henry Morganthau, Jr., chairman of the farm board, who is expected to head the new government unit, was called into conference by the President later in the day.

President Roosevelt today advanced another phase of his reconstruction

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VIOLENCE FLARES AT ILLINOIS MINE

Relief Committee Member Killed and Two Union Men Are Wounded

Benton, Ill., March 27.—(AP)—John Ward, a member of the West Frankfort relief committee was shot and killed and two members of the United Mine Workers of America were wounded today in a gun fight at West Frankfort.

Officers said there were no witnesses to the shooting, and they were unable to learn the details of the fracas. They said Ward was reputed to be a member of the Progressive Miners' Union.

Sheriff Browning Robinson and his deputies entered the headquarters of the Progressive Miners' Union at Zeigler today and confiscated six revolvers. They made no arrests.

The sheriff then notified Mayor Murphy Smith, of Zeigler, where a progressive miners meeting was held yesterday, that no miners' meeting would be allowed in Franklin county until all possibility of violence had passed.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair and warmer tonight and Tuesday.

Federal Pay Cuts Due On April First

President Ready To Sign Order For 15 Percent Reduction Under New Law

Washington, March 27.—(AP)—Indications that a 15 percent salary cut for Federal employes would be imposed by President Roosevelt, effective April 1, were given today following presentation of a survey by the Labor Department that the cost of living had fallen 23 percent over the country since 1928.

The President was empowered by the economy bill to reduce salaries up to 15 percent, based upon the reduction of living costs. The executive order for the action is being prepared by the Budget Bureau, and official word has gone out that it would be issued in time to take effect the first of the month.

After a special survey, the Labor Department's Bureau of Statistics reported the following drop in costs be-

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Texas Negroes Kill Man And Attack Lady Escort

Houston, Texas, March 27.—(AP)—William W. Porch, Jr., was brutally slain and Miss Abele Torian, 24, was attacked early today by Negro terrorists. Both are members of prominent Houston families.

The crime occurred about 12:30 a. m. on the Scott street road, between Southmore boulevard and Brays Bayou.

Officers with bloodhounds brought from the city prison farm were combing the thick woods of the neighborhood today.

The hysterical young woman told police she and her escort were seated in an automobile when two Negroes appeared, one oneachside of the car. The Negroes ordered them out of the car.

"I thought I told you to hold your hands up," one of the Negroes said, according to Miss Torian. Immediately after speaking, the Negro fired the shot which killed Porch, who was facing the other Negro. The bullet penetrated his back.

Miss Torian said she threw herself over the body and begged the Negroes for mercy, pleading with them to take Porch to a hospital. Unheeding, they blindfolded and gagged her.

The Negroes rifled Porch's pockets and fled into the woods, Miss Torian said.

After removing the blindfold and gag, Miss Torian ran to the home of John Anderson, a blind man living on a nearby boulevard, and telephoned police.