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CIVIL WORKS PROGRAM TO BE CONTINUED

Accidents And One Fight Take Toll Of Dozen Lives In The Carolinas Today

OTHERS ARE HURT BUT NO DEATHS IN OTHER ACCIDENTS

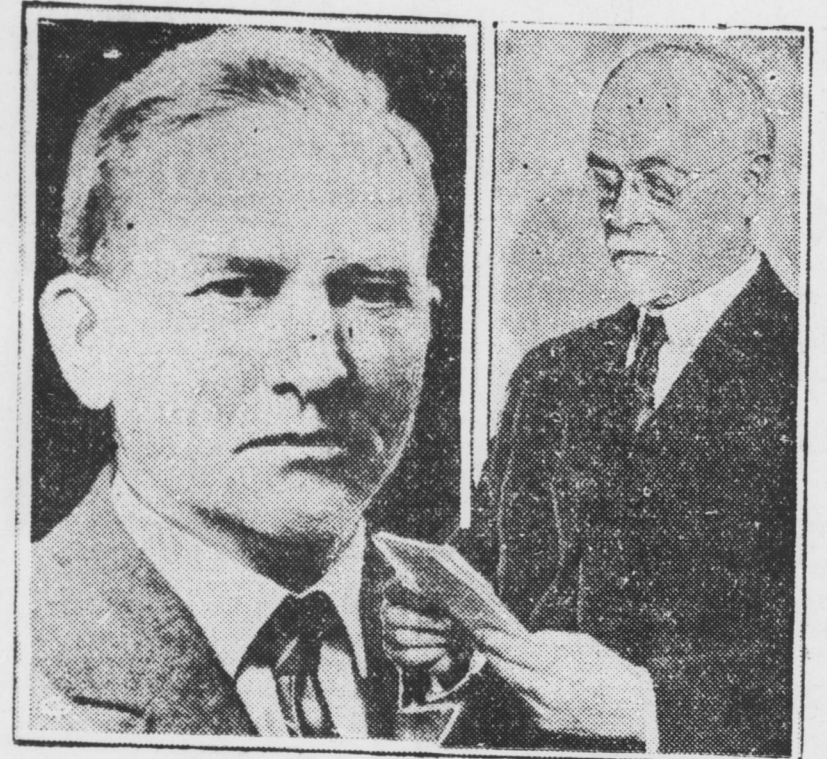
Three Negro Children Burned to Death Near Gatesville When Their Home Is Lost

THREE ARE HELD IN KANNAPOLIS DEATH

Three Men Die When Buried Beneath Landslide in Western North Carolina; Explosion of Dynamite On Dredge Boat in East Fatal To One May

(By the Associated Press.) Accidents and one fight took a toll of 12 lives in the Carolinas yesterday. Well Bessent, 17, was killed at Little River by the premature explosion of a charge of dynamite as the Federal dredge Currituck worked on the inland waterway. Seven were injured, but not seriously. Ruth Foster, 2, died at Charlotte, of burns sustained when she fell into an open fire at her home. A mountain slide struck a group of men working on a highway project near Cherokee, N. C., and killed Edgar Smiley, Robert Brooks and A. G. Davis. Three others were injured. A derailment of the crack Carolina Special at Hot Springs, N. C., last

U. S. At Money Crossroad—1 Which Kind of Dollar Will It Be and What Does Each Kind Mean?



Written for Central Press By LESLIE GOULD, Noted New York Financial Writer (In this, the first of a series of two explanatory articles on the contest between the "commodity" dollar and those who oppose them, Mr. Gould gives the side of the so-called "commodity money" group.) New York, Dec. 13.—For the third time in its history the United States is at monetary crossroads. The path to

Token by Britain Due Next Friday

London, Dec. 13.—(AP)—A check for \$7,500,000 is expected to be handed over to the United States in Washington Friday by Great Britain as a token payment of its war debt, it was authoritatively stated here today.

YANKEE TRADING FOR WORLD TRADE ROOSEVELT'S AIM

Will Import Liquor From Countries That Will Buy Most of America's Surpluses

TARIFF REDUCTIONS DESIRED, HOWEVER

But Even That Will Be Sought In Separate Treaties With Individual Countries; Forthcoming Pact With Colombia Will Be An Example

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt is sticking to his objective for a worldwide reduction in tariff rates, but in view of international conditions, he believes the best method in this direction now lies in the negotiations of bi-lateral treaties with individual countries. An example of the bi-lateral treaty bringing about reciprocal tariffs and trade regulations between the United States and another country will be given in the forthcoming treaty with Colombia, which is about to be decided. This treaty and others of its kind now in the making, will contain the clause that if any other nation wishes to enter into the same relations with this country it is perfectly permissible. It was made quite plain today at the White House that the President, in connection with the sudden rush of liquor imports, is trying to adhere to the old policy of "Yankee trading," and that an exchange of American goods abroad in return for the liquor imports will be sought.

16-Year-Old Boys Sent Into Bolivian Trenches In South American War

Army Hard-Fressed by Heavy Losses Suffered in Battles With Paraguayan Army

BOLIVIAN CAPTIVES WEARY OF FIGHTING

LaPaz Reports Claim, However, Bolivian Troops Have Broken Through Enemy's Lines and Joined Main Army, Thus Evading Capture

Buenos Aires, Argentina, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Bolivian boys 16 years old prepared to take front line fighting positions today as the government, hard-pressed by Paraguayan victories in the Chaco Boreal, called out new reserves. Dispatches from Asuncion, capital of Paraguay, and from Bolivian army sources, heavily censored, had to be combined to provide a complete picture of developments in the 50-year-old warfare over the rich Chaco region, which Paraguay claims was approaching a victorious conclusion. Bolivian prisoners taken in the latest Paraguayan coup, numbering thousands of men, were disarmed and forced to march from the front line by way of Gondra and Nanawa, Isla de Poi and Puerto Casco to Asuncion, said a Paraguayan dispatch. They formed a vast column several miles in length of war-weary and dejected fighters. A dispatch from LaPaz said the war ministry announced that Colonel Enrique Penaranda, with 3,000 men, had broken through Paraguayan lines and joined the main Bolivian army, evading capture.

Stricken Admiral



Rear Admiral Grayson Seriously ill at his home in Washington, Rear Admiral Cary T. Grayson, who was physician to the late President Woodrow Wilson, was cheered by a visit from President and Mrs. Roosevelt. His condition is causing his many friends considerable concern. (Central Press)

EXACT EXTENT OF EFFORTS NOT YET DETERMINED UPON

President Undecided About Asking Congress For Another \$350,000,000 Grant

FOUR MILLION MEN SOON TO BE ON JOB

Hopkins Says That Will Be Record by Next Saturday; White House Denies Emphatically Any Row With Budget Director or The Treasury

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt will continue the Civil Works Administration until next spring, but in his study of the budget he has not reached a decision on the extent of public works to be proposed for next year. The President was informed today by Harry L. Hopkins, civil works administrator that 4,000,000 men would be on the CWA payrolls by Saturday. Funds are available to carry on this program only until February 15, and Mr. Roosevelt has decided to ask for an additional \$350,000,000 to permit a tapering off of this work between March 1 and May 1, when it will be ended. In continuing today his preparation of the budget for the next year, Mr. Roosevelt did not reach the public works item. It was said in all probability no decision would be reached on this point for a couple of weeks, and that well along in the next session of Congress, when it can be determined more definitely how much money will be needed. The President has been going into these matters in the course of his conversations with Lewis Douglas, director of the budget, and Acting Secretary Henry Morgenthau. It was stated emphatically today at the White House that there is no dispute or row between the President, the director of the budget and the Treasury on the budget.

COMMUNICATIONS MAY BE MERGED

Monopoly With Strict Government Regulation Is Being Considered

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The administration is making an intensive study of the communications problem, with preliminary reports tending toward the creation of merged telephone, telegraph and radio agencies under strict government regulation. A special committee of the Department of Commerce has submitted a tentative report to the President, who is reserving an opinion pending further study by the congressional committees involved. 1. A continuation of existing conditions. 2. Creation of monopolies in the telephone, telegraph and radio fields under strict regulations. 3. Government ownership of communications. The preliminary report was stated authoritatively to extend toward the second proposition—monopolies under Federal control. This would involve, of course, a merger of the Western Union and Postal Telegraphs in the telegraph world.

GOVERNOR REFUSES FURTHER SPEECHES

Raleigh, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Governor Ehringhaus announced today that, due to the press of public business, he will not be able to accept any more speaking engagements until after January 1. Another reason car owners should buy their new licenses as soon as possible is that at least 25 of the branch offices will probably be closed January 1, making it necessary for those insect ions served by these offices to get their licenses by mail from the license bureau here in Raleigh, instead of locally, Harris pointed out. This will mean additional delay for those who fail to buy their new licenses before January 1. The towns and cities in which these branch offices will probably be closed after January 1, are: Albemarle, Asheboro, Brevard, Canton, Clinton, Edenton, Henderson, Hendersonville, Hickory, Laurinburg, Lenoir, Lenoirville, Manteo, Smithfield, Sylva, Tarboro, Wadesboro, Washington, Warsaw, West Jefferson, Whiteville and Williamston. It is planned to keep all the other branch offices open for license sales throughout the year. Virtually all of these offices are branch offices of the Carolina Motor Club. It was at first planned to maintain all these offices on a year round basis. But sales have been so light at the offices listed above that it has now virtually been decided to close them January 1. Consequently those in the territory served by these offices are urged to buy their licenses before the close of the license period December 31, unless they want to be subjected to delay in getting their licenses and run the risk of being arrested if they try to use the old ones.

CREW OF STEAMER IS AT WILMINGTON

Wilmington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The Danish freighter Maine arrived here today with nine members of the crew of the Canadian fishing schooner Edward VII, abandoned the night of December 3 off Newfoundland after a storm wrecked its rigging. (Continued on Page Three)

Details Shooting Last September Of Rail Man

Waynesville, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Illustrating his story with a chalk sketch drawn on the court room floor, Charley Buchanan, who was with Thomas Price when the 62-year-old former Union Pacific railway executive was shot to death on a mountain trail last September, today gave his account of the slaying in the trial of three men and a boy charged with murder. Buchanan, who was employed on the wealthy easterner's estate near here, related that he, Price and Virge Williams were riding horseback on September 24 near Deep Gap, when a man came from behind a tree and said: "Halt, don't go any further; go back." "Who?" Buchanan said Price asked. "All of you," the witness quoted the man who had stopped them as replying. Before they had time to turn, Buchanan continued, Dewey Potter came from behind a tree and fired, hitting Price. The witness said he did not recognize the men who did the shooting.

Heavy Loot In Detroit Mail Theft

\$19,000 In Stamps and Undetermined Registered Mail All Carried Away

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Drilling a hole through 18 inches of brick and mortar, thieves last night stole registered mail of undetermined value, and \$19,000 in postage stamps from the Alfred street branch post office. Police who investigated the robbery said they could find no evidence of forcible entrance to the building, and assumed that one of the robbers concealed himself in the building when it was closed for the night. The theft was discovered by a clerk who opened the office this morning. The loot, post office authorities said, included 58 pieces of registered mail. John B. Stackpool, superintendent of mails, said the value of the registered

CWA AIMS TO USE MORE MAN POWER

Object Is To Provide Most Jobs Possible, Not Create Efficiency

Daily Dispatch Bureau In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, Dec. 13.—Adverse criticism of the Civil Works Administration in North Carolina has arisen from misunderstanding of the primary purpose of the huge organization that is making jobs for more than 80,000 persons in this State, according to those here who are familiar with the activities in the offices of Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State CWA administrator. The prime purpose of the CWA, as conceived by President Roosevelt and as executed by Mrs. O'Berry and her staff, is to give jobs, therefore living wages, to the thousands of North Carolinians whose earning capacities and buying power have been wiped out during the past four years. Rather than hand out Federal appropriations in the form of a dole, the CWA was conceived to create projects to give men jobs. These are projects that are worth while, but which could not have been undertaken otherwise because of the depleted treasuries of the many

Farm Body Will Back Roosevelt

Chicago, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The American Farm Bureau Federation today heartily endorsed the Roosevelt agricultural recovery program, urging that "selfish opposition" to it be broken down, and called for its provisions to be broadened even further to bring parity prices to farm produce. A resolution expressing faith in the Federal administration was the first of 27 recommendations to be considered by the huge farm organization in drafting its legislative policy for the next year.

BUILDERS OF STATE START CONVENTION

Recovery Program Has Big Place on Program for Consideration

Colege Station, Raleigh, Dec. 13.—The annual meeting of the North Carolina Building Congress convened this morning in Charlotte and will be in session until Thursday evening. The meeting is being held jointly with that of the N. C. Section of the American Institute of Architects, the N. C. Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors, the Carolinas' Branch of the Associated General Contractors, and others interested in the construction program. W. C. Cella, associate professor of civil engineering at State College and president of the N. C. Building Congress, will preside at the meeting of the congress and will address the Associated General Contractors tomorrow on "Day Labor versus Contract System." Malcolm Muir, of Washington, D. C., deputy administrator in charge

OVER \$4,000,000 IS GIVEN 32 PROJECTS

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The Public Works Administration allotted \$4,177,500 to 32 non-Federal projects in 15 states, including \$1,633,000 to the University of Texas for University building at Austin.

GOLD PRICES HELD AT SAME FIGURES

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The government again offered today a price of \$34.01 an ounce for newly-mined domestic gold. London's price for bar gold today was \$32 an ounce on the basis of sterling opening at \$5.07 5-8 to the pound. The dollar later strengthened to range around \$5.01 to the pound.

FEWER COTTONSEED REPORTED CRUSHED

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Cottonseed crushed in the four months period August 1 to November 30 was reported by the Census Bureau today to have totaled 1,978,302 tons, compared with 2,106,840 tons in the same period a year ago, and cotton seed on hand at mills November 30 totaled 1,342,640 tons, compared with 1,442,585 tons a year ago.

Allotment Of Liquor Announced

Washington, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The Federal Alcohol Control Administration announced today that allocation of 5,195,137 gallons of liquor to be imported within the next four months had been granted. Aiming as far as possible to smash the bootlegger by making cheap drinks available, while at the same time bargaining with exporting nations to work off farm surpluses, the government, until next March 31, will let in 1,631,253 gallons of wine, 239,213 of champagne, 147,510 of brandy, 3,314,443 of whiskey, including American type, rye and bourbon, 40,630 of rum, 99,056 of gin and 103,027 gallons of "cordials" and liquors.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Cloudy with rain tonight and probably in extreme north and extreme west portions Thursday morning; slowly rising temperature Thursday and in extreme west portions tonight.

Fear Heavy Death Tolls In Frisco Ship Disaster

Monterey, Cal., Dec. 13 (AP)—A ship which caught fire and sank off Point Penos near here last night was identified today as the Japanese fishing boat Utah. The ship's crew of four abandoned the vessel shortly after the fire broke out and reached shore in a motor tender. They were uninjured.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Searching boats ployed through seas five miles off shore and 85 miles south of here today in an effort to find possible survivors of a marine disaster which apparently sent a flaming unidentified boat plunging beneath mountainous waves.