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U. S. DEFICIT PASSES ONE BILLION DOLLARS

Wintry Blast Brings Death And Suffering Over Most Of Nation

LITTLE RELIEF IN SIGHT AS YET FOR SHIVERING AREAS

Colder Weather Predicted for East, and Even Dixie Is Now Threatened With Cold

DEATH TOTALS PUT AT SEVERAL SCORES

New England Suffers In One of Worst Blizzards In Its History; From Nearly Every Section of North and West Come Stories of the Tragedy

(By the Associated Press.) Winter continued its icy rule of much of the North American continent today, with howling winds, snow storms and far below normal temperatures that brought both death and suffering to many.

There was no let-up in sight for the affected areas, except the promise of some moderation in the central west.

Colder was the prediction for the east, and even Dixie, which escaped the first of the week's bitter cold, was threatened.

Several scores of persons were estimated to have died as a direct result of the frigid blast, most of them in traffic mishaps. The east was blanketed by snow.

New England suffered yesterday and last night from one of the worst blizzards in its history. At least seven persons perished from exhaustion in Massachusetts.

Eight fishermen died when a roaring gale, accompanied by snow, swept the southeast portion of Lake Michigan. Four were drowned when the fishing smack Martha went down near Michigan City, Ind. and four more lost their lives in the capsizing of the Bremen, a tug at South Haven, Mich.

Canada was hard hit. Several of the deaths occurred in the Canadian provinces. A howling blizzard at Toronto accounted for two lives.

An aged prospector died from the cold near Kamloops, B. C. Another man, lost in a blizzard with the temperature 30 below zero, died near Fort William, Ontario.

As far south as Louisville, Ky., the thermometers read zero and from the Ohio Valley up to the Dakotas the mercury fell a decade or two or three below zero.

Six Killed As Freight Hits Cows

Three Trainmen and Three Hoboes Lose Lives in Smash-Up In Texas

Calvert, Texas, Dec. 27.—(AP)—At least six men were killed at Black Bridge switch, three and a half miles west of here, at midnight last night when a Missouri Pacific freight train struck a herd of cattle and was derailed.

Three of those killed were members of the train crew, and the others were itinerants riding the freight train from Mart to Houston.

The bodies of the trainmen were extricated from the wreckage but those of the tramps still were pinned beneath the cars.

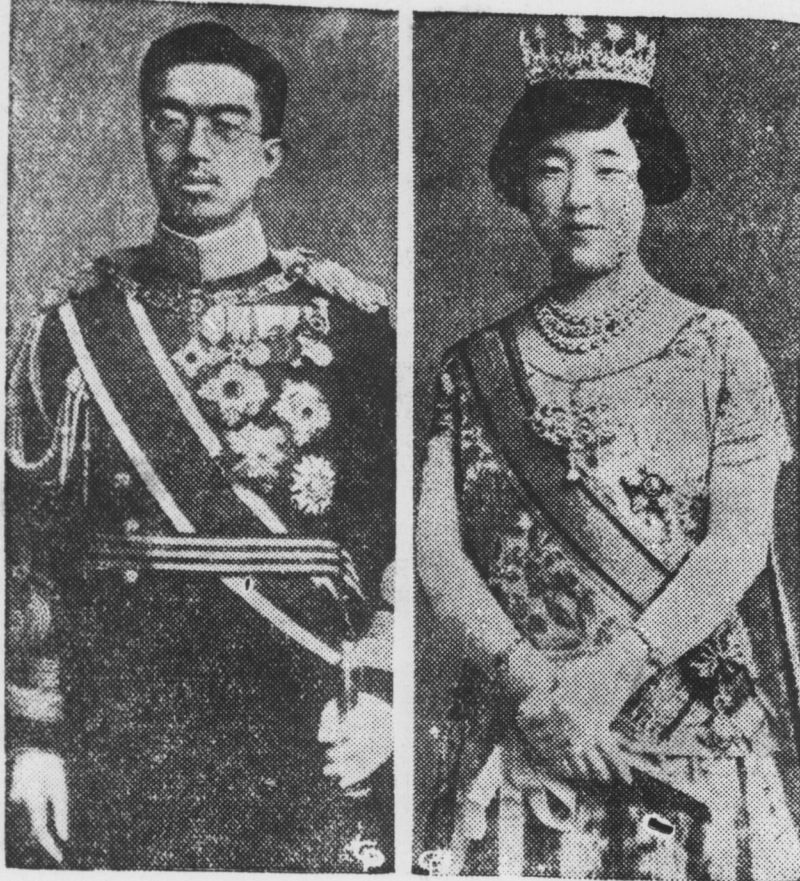
A Calvert undertaker said he could see the bodies of the three men, and that it was possible several others were still under the twisted freight cars.

Loans Approved Upon 274 Homes

Salisbury, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Approval of loans on 274 homes in North Carolina totaling \$569,150.27 the week ended December 22 was reported today by the Home Owners' Loan Corporation, with headquarters here.

This brought the total for North Carolina since the organization began to function last summer to 2,238 approvals, the value totalling \$5,029,038.45

Japan Hails New Heir to Throne



Creating the sensation Japan has been awaiting for years, a son has been born of Emperor Hirohito and Empress Nagako of Japan, above, at Tokio. The infant prince, coming into the imperial household after the birth of four daughters, eventually will become the hundred twenty-fifth mikado of this ancient empire.

Two South Carolina Men Held For Murdering Boy

Confession to Actual Killing Signed by One, Who Implicates Other As Having Paid Him To Kill Youth; Motive for Slaying Not Yet Determined

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 27.—(AP)—The gray stone walls of South Carolina's State penitentiary today held as prisoners the confessed killer of 15-year-old Hubbard H. Harris, Jr., and the man who he says hired him to kidnap the sandy-haired school boy and football captain.

No charges have yet been filed against either man, both of them being held "for questioning pending a coroner's inquest."

ALL SALES TAXES DUE ON JANUARY 1

Regardless of Amount, State Expects Full Payment At That Time

Raleigh, Dec. 27.—Every merchant in the State must make out and send in a sales tax return January 1, covering sales tax collections for December 31, regardless of whether the total sales tax collections for either the month, quarter or year are less than or exceed \$10, it was pointed out today by Director Harry McMullan of the Sales Tax Division of the Department of Revenue.

"Under the sales tax law, no merchant is required to make a monthly return unless his sales tax collections amount to or exceed \$10," McMullan said. "It also specifies that no quarterly return needs to be made unless the total sales tax collected for the quarter amounts to or exceeds \$10. But it also provides that once a year, on January 1, each merchant must make out a return and send in the tax collected and due either for the month of December, during the quarter ending December 31 or for the six months period ending December 31, regardless of how small the amount of tax may be."

\$41,000 IS TAKEN FROM TEXAS BANK

Three Employees Kidnaped By Robbers In Early Morning Hold-Up

Marlin, Texas, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The First State Bank of Marlin was robbed of \$41,000 shortly after 8 a. m. today, and three employees were kidnaped as the robbers fled in an automobile, successfully concealing the route they took.

M. V. Bradshaw, vice president, Miss Andrew Peyton, bookkeeper, and Lee Humphries, Negro porter, apparently were whisked away quickly after the vault was looted.

DEPOSITORY AGENT FOUND SHOT DEAD

Lake City, S. C., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Robert P. Matthews, cashier of the Lake City depository, was found shot to death at the bank building today, and relatives believed he killed himself.

CUBANS BOYCOTT AMERICAN-OWNED BUSINESS HOUSES

Handbills Urging Public Not To Buy American Goods Distributed Over Havana

EXPLOSIONS OCCUR AROUND U. S. ENVOY

One Missile Set Off In Gardens of National Hotel Where Jefferson Caffrey Resides; Comment Withheld on Reported Coming of Spanish Cruiser

Havana, Dec. 27.—(AP)—American business houses became the target of a boycott move in the capital of Cuba today.

Handbills urging the public to pledge itself not to buy American goods were distributed throughout the entire city. The sponsors of the movement were not revealed.

Three small petards exploded in Havana during the night—one in the gardens of the National hotel, in which Jefferson Caffrey, the United States representative here, resides. No damage was done.

Official comment was withheld on reports that a Spanish cruiser had been ordered to proceed here to protect Spanish interests, if necessary.

The report aroused wide discussion, however, coming as it did on other reports of the Spanish government's consideration of the position of its nationals in Cuba as a result of outbreaks growing out of recent demonstrations for and against the new law requiring that at least 50 percent of the employees of all firms be natives.

Huey Long Woman Choice on Hand To Sit In The House

Washington, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Bolt-er L. Kemp, of Louisiana, arrived in Washington today and started immediately a round of conferences with House leaders with regard to taking her seat as the representative from the sixth Louisiana district.

It has been indicated that a contest against seating her will be instituted on the contention that her election without a primary was illegal.

Mrs. Kemp called on Speaker Rainey and Representative Byrns of Tennessee, the Democratic leader. Rainey quoted her as saying she never has been and is not now a candidate of Senator Huey P. Long.

Mrs. Kemp came here while another election was being held in the sixth Louisiana district. The winner of the election is expected here to contest Mrs. Kemp for her seat.

High Court Clerk Goes To The Pen

Richmond, Va., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Stewart Jones, former clerk of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, today pleaded guilty to the misuse and misappropriation of public funds and was sentenced to serve six years in the State's penitentiary.

Jones, a veteran clerk of the State's highest court, pleaded guilty to one indictment charging the misuse, misappropriation and "feloniously and knowingly" disposing of \$15,895.

Commonwealth's Attorney Dave Satterfield immediately nol prossed two other indictments growing out of Mr. Jones' activities in the court. Auditors estimated the Jones books indicated the total shortage was approximately \$80,000.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Fair, slightly colder in east portion tonight; Thursday cloudy, slowly rising temperature.

FOES SEEK TO BREAK LONG POWER



Mayor Walmley, left, and District Attorney Stanley, right, are seen today in the city election. Walmley is pushing plans to prosecute more than 500 on charges of fraud in the November, 1932, election. Another foe of the senator is Mayor T. Semmes Walmley, of New Orleans, left, a former political ally of Long, who has termed as a "retreat" the senator's announcement that he would not support a ticket in the city election.

Baby Flown 1,400 Miles For Operation On Brain

1,400-Mile Trip from Houston, Texas, to Baltimore Made in 11 Hours by Jimmy Wedell, Famous Aviator; Child Has Water on the Brain

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Sue Trammell, five months old baby taken to Johns Hopkins hospital early this morning after a 1,400-mile airplane dash from Houston, Texas, probably will undergo a brain operation within the next several days.

Dr. Walter E. Dandy, noted brain specialist, tentatively decided on the operation after an examination this

afternoon. He confirmed the diagnosis that the baby had water on the brain.

The big red monoplane in which the baby was flown here landed on the snow crust which covered Logan field here, at 1:57 o'clock this morning after making more than 1,400 miles in slightly more than 11 hours. It was a perfect landing.

Jimmy Wedell, well known speed flier, piloted the plane.

MEASLES EPIDEMIC DUE THIS WINTER

Parents Urged To Be On Alert for Symptoms of Dreaded Malady

Raleigh, Dec. 27.—This is another "measles year" was indications that more children will have measles this winter than in the last four or five years, according to Dr. J. C. Knox, as assistant epidemiologist of the State Board of Health. This means that parents in all sections of the state should be on the alert for symptoms of this disease, now considered one of the most serious of childhood, in order to give their children the proper care if they contract it.

Up to December 1 this year, a total of 13,722 cases of measles had been reported to the State Board of Health as compared with a total of 13,672 for the entire twelve months of 1932. In 1931 a total of 15,499 cases were reported, the largest number since the "measles year" of 1923 when 60,543 cases were reported and when 501 deaths resulted. Last year there were 102 deaths from measles and so far this year there have been 60 deaths.

"The greatest number of cases of measles occur in the ages from six to eight years," Dr. Knox said. "This is to be expected, due to the exposure incident to going to school and being crowded together, since it is by contact with other cases of measles that the disease is spread."

"The greater number of deaths from measles occur in children from one to two years old, the cause being pneumonia that is so frequent as to be almost a part of the disease, although it is considered only a complication of measles."

"Measles begins as an infection about the nose and throat, having the appearance of an ordinary cold at its beginning. The eyes become quite reddened, however, very nearly in the

TOBACCO GROWERS URGED TO HASTEN

Want Sign-Up Campaign Over Certainly By Re-opening of Markets

Raleigh, Dec. 27.—(AP)—North Carolina State College authorities today appealed to flue-cured tobacco growers of the State immediately to complete their sign-up of acreage reduction contracts as plans were laid for opening of the cotton reduction "school" here tomorrow.

E. Y. Floyd, directing the tobacco campaign, urged farmers to sign their contracts so they can get in their applications for rental and equalization payments. The payments will be made within 30 to 60 days after approval of the contracts by the secretary of agriculture.

Floyd especially urged completion of the program by January 8, when flue-cured auction markets reopen after the Christmas recess.

development of the disease and this should make a parent suspicious that it is not an ordinary cold. About the third day from the onset of the cold symptoms, the rash begins to appear and reaches its height about two or three days later, at which time the patient is sickest. In uncomplicated cases, about three days following this climax, the patient gets definitely better, the rash begins to disappear and in about five or six days after the beginning of the rash it disappears almost entirely and the temperature returns to normal. Measles is most contagious in the early stages before the rash appears."

The most serious complications of measles are first, pneumonia; and second, infections of the middle ear, causing glands of the neck which may have to be opened surgically for drainage, Dr. Knox said.

As yet there is no method of mass

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ORDINARY EXPENSE IS BELOW RECEIPTS FOR YEAR, HOWEVER

Shortage Is More Than Half Billion Dollars Less Than Last Year at This Time

BALANCE OF TRADE FAVORABLE TO U. S.

Exports Exceed Imports by \$56,000,000 In November; 97 Percent of Nation's Bank Accounts To Be Protected Under New Insurance Plan

Washington, Dec. 27 (AP)—The Federal deficit today passed the billion dollar mark as President Roosevelt resumed conferences with advisors to prepare the administration's first budget to be presented to Congress next week.

Simultaneously the government continued the price of domestic gold at \$34.06 an ounce. It was the seventh successive time this figure had been announced.

As to foreign trade, the Department of Commerce reported a favorable balance of \$56,000,000 for November—\$184,000,000 in goods going abroad, while \$128,000,000 worth came in.

Another development was an estimate by Walter J. Cummings, chairman on the Deposit Insurance Corporation, that the temporary guarantee fund becoming effective next week "will completely guarantee 97 percent of the bank accounts of the nation." Cummings termed the insurance of deposits up to \$2,500, which starts January 1, "the most constructive plan ever devised for the protection of bank deposits."

The exact amount of the deficit given in the latest announcement of the Treasury's condition dated December 22, was \$1,024,121,661. On the same date last year the deficit was \$1,593,694,753.

Ordinary expenditures were within receipts, but those classed by the administration as "emergency" exceeded the amount of the deficit.

Receipts since July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, were 1,440,193,463, as compared with \$1,000,209,302 for last year's corresponding period. Ordinary expenditures were \$1,425,424,842, and emergency expenditures \$1,038,590,288.

Biggest items in the emergency classification were \$331,841,000 for the R. F. C.; \$204,301,000 for the Public Works Administration, and \$146,810,000 for the Conservation Corps. The Civil Works Administration had taken \$53,842,000 and the Farm Adjustment Administration \$39,579,000.

In his discussion of the bank insurance plan, Cummings said that on December 16 there were 5,950 unrestricted banks in the Federal Reserve System, all of which will be members of the insurance fund. He said 7,249 non-member State banks had applied for membership, and "it is expected that most of them will be

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Deficit No Shock For Roosevelt

Washington, Dec. 27 (AP)—President Roosevelt displayed no surprise today at the latest Treasury statement showing a deficit in government finances of a billion dollars, and it was reported at the White House that the figure would mount ever higher as the result of the recovery program.

The chief executive was said authoritatively to be interested in making certain that income in revenue keep pace with the normal current expenditures, and he understands this income and outgo is about on an even basis.

The deficit is expected to represent only a part of the extraordinary expenditures being made by the government in behalf of the recovery drive.