

HOOVER NAVY HEAD HAD AIRPLANE STOCK

East Still Staggered By Blizzard, With No Immediate Relief In Sight

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SOUTH IS HARD HIT, BUT FINDS RELIEF

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zard Is Worst, Has Snow-
drifts Six to 12 Feet Deep;
New York To Spend \$2,-
000,000 To Dig Out From
Under White Mantle

(By the Associated Press.)
Cold that knifed to the marrow
staggered the east today as it strove
to shake off paralysis caused by the
"worst blizzard since '88." At least
25 persons lay dead, struck down by
the storm.

Many towns were still practically
isolated, transportation systems crawl-
ing at a snail's pace in numerous
spots, and whistling winds imperiled
shipping.

The mercury plunged toward zero,
and the cold glazed the land with ice,
hardening snowdrifts that impeded
traffic. No immediate relief was in
sight. The frigid wave extended as
far south as Florida.

In the South, however, temperatures
moderated some from the low read-
ings of Tuesday.

New England, hardest hit by the
blowing 60 mile gale, was still buried
in many places under snowdrifts six
to 12 feet deep. There were at least
nine dead there, ten in New York
City, and six in Pennsylvania.

New York will spend \$2,000,000 to
dig out of the snow that marooned
200,000 workers in their homes and
forced the stock exchange to open
an hour late yesterday.

Highway traffic is still tied up in
a knot in many places, but most
trains were moving, although regular
schedules were largely disregarded.
Schools, courts and businesses were
reopening after suspending because of
the storm.

Through the night 30 sailors stuck
to the collier Northern Sward, which
jammed ashore off Winthrop Head,
near Boston. Coast guardsmen with
breaches buoy stood ready to take
them off if smashing sets started to
break up the vessel.

Gang of Yeggmen Will Get Hearing In Raleigh Court

Raleigh, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Worth
(Pete) Proctor, alleged leader of an
Eastern North Carolina gang of yegg-
men and one of his alleged accom-
plices, Melvin Archer, alias Tom
Moore, will be tried on three or more
charges in Raleigh police court to-
morrow, pending lodging of charges in
other places.

Proctor and Archer will be charg-
ed with house-breaking and robbery
on three charges.

Hearing In Bank Case Is Started

Taylorville, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Bas-
com Green, 47, and his son, Lester,
24, went on trial in Alexander Super-
ior Court here today for murder
and attempted bank robbery after
Judge Wilson Warlick for the second
time had overruled a defense motion
for a continuance.

When the cases were called, defense
attorneys asked the continuance, com-
plaining they had not had sufficient
time to prepare their cases, and had
not been given an opportunity to ques-
tion R. E. Black and Mike Stevenoff,
alleged companions of the Greens, in
the attempted bank robbery here last
July, which resulted in the charges.
Black and Stevenoff have been con-
victed of murder of T. C. Barnes,
cashier of the Merchants and Farm-
ers Bank here, who was fatally wound-
ed in the attempted hold-up, and sen-
tenced to die. They are in State's Pris-
on awaiting outcome of their appeals
from conviction which are now pend-
ing in the State Supreme Court.

First Army Aces to Carry Mail



When the U. S. Army took over the flying of airmail, the honor of
taking out the first loads under the new order was handed to Lieut. J. J.
Kelley, of Philadelphia, right, who was assigned to the New York-Miami
run, and Lieut. E. R. Quesada, of Washington, D. C., noted for record
endurance hop in the Question Mark, whose task it was to fly "Hell's
Stretch" in the run to Cleveland. The above picture was taken just
before the first mail was taken aloft. (Central Press)

Roosevelt Is Studying Mass Production Homes

Treasury Asked How It Can Help in Doing That; How To Crush Bootlegger Still Is Problem, Despite Repeal; Senate Debates Treaty Limit Navy

Washington, Feb. 21.—(AP)—
Blocking any single major problem
to take all his time, President Roose-
velt applied himself today to such di-
vergent subjects as mass production
of homes and better liquor for the
public at lower prices.

He had a select committee at work
on whether Congress should be asked
how to have the Treasury aid a long
program for private home building.
Its advocates claim increase of vol-
ume through means of credits to build
would make possible small comfort-
able homes at half the present cost.

Other aides tackled now to crush
the bootlegger. That survivor of pro-
hibition is still alive, judging by what
was said at the presidential press con-
ference this morning, and liquor im-
ports are far from what was expected

to supply ample stocks.
Other situations held Congress. The
House put in a last day of talk on
the \$258,000,000 tax tightening bill,
with passage a certainty.

Senatorial business remained the
treaty limit navy measure, with de-
bate shipping all over the lot.

The regular Friday cabinet meet-
ing was held today to permit cabinet
members to have a week-end off.
Secretary Ickes received a report
of indications of improve demand for
State and municipal bonds and rising
prices for construction materials.

Congressional committees spent the
morning in the usually talkative com-
mittee sessions, former Postmaster
General Brown testifying again on air-
mail contracts of the Hoover adminis-
tration.

ATTEMPT MADE TO KIDNAP PUBLISHER

E. B. Adler, of Davenport, Iowa, Attacked by Two Men; One Arrested

Chicago, Feb. 21.—(AP)—E. B.
Adler, publisher of the Davenport,
Iowa, Times, and head of the Lee
syndicate of newspapers, was attacked
by two men in a hotel corridor to-
day in an apparent attempt at kid-
naping.

Slugged twice, Adler dodged the
full effect of the blows and ran down
the corridor from his room, eluding
his assailants.

One of them was arrested.
In the room next to Adler's, de-
tectives found a large trunk in which
air hose had been packed. They said
it was apparent the two men intend-
ed to lock Adler in the trunk and
have him carried out.

The suspect, whom Adler recognized
as one of the attackers, turned and
his companion had driven here from
New York in a coupe. The trunk
bore the initials, "B. M. K. Pitts-
burgh."

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Cloudy, rain Thursday and in
west and central portions tonight;
warmer tonight and in east por-
tion Thursday.

Jury Chosen for Wynekoop Trial

Chicago, Feb. 21.—(AP)—A jury
for the second trial of Dr. Alice
Lindsey Wynekoop, accused of the
murder of Rheta Gardner Wyne-
koop, her daughter-in-law, was
completed today in the court of
Justice Harry B. Miller.

The 63-year-old defendant said
at the opening of the session she
"felt terrible."

"I'm not as strong as I thought
I was," she said. "I'm glad tomor-
row is Washington's Birthday, and
that there will be no session of
the court. At first I was sorry
about the delay, but now it looks
good to me."

TEXTBOOK AWARDS ARE SPREAD ABOUT

Long Neglected Publishers Now Scheduled To Get Some of "Gravy"

NEW BOOKS ACCEPTED

But Present North Carolina History.
Sold by Raleigh Concern in Use
20 Years, Long Out of
Date, Is Continued.

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

Raleigh, Feb. 21.—In addition to re-
quiring the 232,185 school children in
the fifth, sixth and seventh grades in
the State elementary school system to
expend not less than \$242,235 for
new history textbooks next year, pro-
vided the State Board of Education
acts favorably on the recommenda-
tions of the State Elementary Text-
book Commission just made public,
at least five textbook publishers who
are not now "in the gravy" by hold-
ing book contracts at the present
time, stand a chance of getting fat
five year contracts. For if the his-
tory textbooks are changed, those
companies getting new contracts will
get them for a period of five years.

In fact, it is understood on good
authority that the textbook commis-
sion, in making its list of history
books which it has recommended for
adoption, not only had in mind books
suitable for the various grades, but

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NRA Better Way To Get 30-Hr. Week

Johnson Thinks Lit- tle of Flat Order, He Tells Congressional Group

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The
Opinion that such a flat work week
limit as 30 hours cannot be applied
to industry was expressed to the
House Labor Committee today by Ad-
ministrator Hugh S. Johnson, of the
NRA.

In his first capital appearance as
blue eagle chief, he said the NRA was
a "much more flexible and intelli-
gent way" to reach the ends sought—
more employment.

Gerard Swope, of General Electric,
likewise opposed the 30-hour week as
provided in the Connery bill.

He intends to carry hour reductions
farther under the NRA.

Swope had insisted it be done
through the present NRA set-up.

Driving Errors

Practically two-thirds of the 756,500
personal injury auto accidents in 1933
were due in some degree to driving
errors. These accidents brought 29,-
900 deaths and many times that num-
ber of injuries. Are you up on the
rules of careful driving? Follow the
new series entitled "Curb on Mount-
ing Death Rate," first release of
which appears today. It will help
you do your part in reducing these
appalling figures.

As Brown Denied Air Bid Fraud



Walter F. Brown

Climaxing the investigation of the senate airmail committee into airmail
contracts, Walter F. Brown, postmaster general during the Hoover
administration appeared before the inquiry body at Washington to deny
charges of fraud and collusion in the award of contracts during his
term of office. The above photo shows him as he testified before the
committee. (Central Press)

New Currency Expansion Threat Strikes Congress

House Passage of \$2,400,000,000 Bonus, Regarded Cer- tain, and Farm Mortgage Measure, Also Pressed, Cast Shadows Across Legislative Pathway

Washington, Feb. 21.—(AP)—A new
threat of currency expansion develop-
ed today in the apparently bonus-
bound House of Representatives.

In the wake of a vote forcing peti-
tion on the Patman \$2,400,000,000 green
back-bonus bill, pressure was applied
today for a ballot on the Frazier farm
mortgage-currency expansion mea-
sure.

Democratic leaders saw no chance
to do anything about it in the House.
The expansionists are using the
same method which assured, consid-

eration of the bonus measure on
March 12—the petition. Representa-
tive Limp, Republican, North Dakota,
early today had 96 of the 145 neces-
sary signers to bring the Frazier bill
to a vote, and said he was "quite con-
fident" the petition will go over.
But to make sure, he, with Sen-
ators Thomas, Democrat, Oklahoma,
and Frazier, Republican, North Da-
kota, and Representative Swank,
Democrat, Oklahoma, called a mass
meeting for tonight to discuss the
measure.

DR. ALLEN SEEKING U. S. SCHOOL FUNDS

Two Carolinas Ask Money To Expand Their Consoli- dated Systems

Washington, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Dr. A.

T. Allen, North Carolina superinten-
dent of public instruction, and James
H. Hope, South Carolina superinten-
dent of education, conferred today
with Dr. R. L. Alderman, director of
relief education in the interest of
grants for their states to expand the
systems of consolidated public schools.

The relief administration has an-
nounced its willingness to aid finan-
cially in the construction of rural
schools, provided plans for building
them are completed in time for the
schools to be constructed by May 1.
Each of the Carolinas has outlined
a construction plan and each has en-
tered a request for \$5,500,000.

The State education heads plan fur-
ther conferences with Alderman be-
fore leaving Washington.

McGraw's Condition SLIGHTLY IMPROVED

New Rochelle, N. Y., Feb. 21.—
(AP)—John J. McGraw passed a fair-
ly comfortable night, his physician re-
ported today, with signs of the uremic
poisoning with which he is suffering
"much diminished."

HABEAS CORPUS OF BANKERS THURSDAY

Tactics Similar to Luke Lea's Being Pursued by Bre- vard Group

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

Raleigh, Feb. 21.—While the habeas
corpus proceedings in behalf of the
"Brevard Bankers" is expected to be
held in North Wilkesboro tomorrow
before Judge T. B. Finley, the gen-
eral opinion is that he will deny the
writ and hold that the four prisoners
must serve the sentence imposed up-
on them by the court, which was
from two to three years in prison.

But this will give the attorneys for
the Brevard men Thomas H. Ship-
man, Joseph Pickelsimer, C. R. Mc-
Neely and Ralph Fisher a chance to
appeal to the State Supreme Court
and eventually to the United States
Supreme Court, just as Colonel Luke
Lea and his son have done. They
should thus be able to postpone the
starting of their sentence for several
months if not for a year or more.
The Luke Leas have been able to post-
pone their prison sentences apparent-
ly indefinitely by using similar tac-
tics, in spite of the efforts of At-
torney General Dennis G. Brummitt to
get them into North Carolina and the
State Prison.

Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus has
announced, however, that he will not
designate the attorney general or any
additional counsel to assist Solicitor

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SECRETARY ADAMS HELD 500 SHARES DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT

That Concern Did \$4,288,- 341 Worth of Business For the Navy In the Years 1930-32

21 PERCENT PROFIT MADE IN THAT YEAR

Secretary Accepts Invitation To Appear Before House Naval Committee To Test- ify About Naval Airplane Contracts, Probably Com- ing Next Week

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The
House Naval Committee learned to-
day that Charles Francis Adams, sec-
retary of the navy from 1929 to 1932,
owned 500 shares of stock in the
Douglas Aircraft Company on Nov-
ember 30, 1933.

Navy representatives already had
shown that the Douglas company did
\$4,288,341 worth of business for the
navy in 1930-32, and eight months of
1933, making 21 percent profit.

Adams has accepted an invitation
to appear before the committee, prob-
ably next week, to testify about navy
airplane contracts.

Lottery Queen In Winston Arrested; 18 Others Nabbed

Winston-Salem, Feb. 21.—(AP)—
Mrs. Fannie J. Richardson
Thompson, undisputed lottery
queen of the Twin City, was ar-
rested last night at midnight on
three statutory and lottery charges,
after 20 policemen raided two
hotels operated by Mrs. Thompson.
At the same time the raid netted
18 others.

Ten women were charged with
vagrancy, three white men with
violating the hotel laws, two white
men violating the prohibition
law, and two Negro porters accus-
ed of aiding and abetting hotel
law violations. Another white man
was held on a technical charge.

Tax Officials To Seek Sales Taxes Interstate Sales

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 21.—(AP)—
The newly-formed National As-
sociation of State Tax Adminis-
trators carried to Washington today
requests for legislation to permit
states to tax incoming retail ship-
ments.

A committee of four planned to
request President Roosevelt to re-
commend the proposed bill to Con-
gress to eliminate discrimination
against intrastate sales in favor of
interstate sales.

Harry McMullan, director of as-
sessments and collections for the
North Carolina Department of Re-
venue, was one of the delegation
of four that went to Washington.

Roosevelt To Act On Ocean Mail

Washington, Feb. 21.—(AP)—A vir-
tual certainty that President Roose-
velt will take some action on ocean
mail contracts added interest today to
a Senate committee's questioning of
the man who made many of them.

Walter F. Brown, widowed post-
master general of the Hoover admin-
istration, has a thing or two to say
about these ocean pacts. Whether he
would reach that point in his testi-
mony before the mail committee to-
day was problematical.

President Roosevelt today sat on
the receiving end of three separate
investigations into the ocean mail
question. He himself says he would
like to change the present system,
probably along direct subsidy lines.