

Congress Welcomes Roosevelt

Ehringhaus To Lead Five Governors In Tobacco Cut Demands On The Congress

40 PCT. UNIFORM TAX REDUCTION IS TO BE REQUESTED

South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia Executives Invited

WOULD MEET NEXT WEEK AT CAPITAL

States Involved Are Nation's Principal Weed-Producing States; Governor's Action Follows Conference With Committee of the Growers

Raleigh, April 13.—(AP)—Governor Ehringhaus this afternoon asked chief executives of five tobacco growing states to meet with him in Washington next week to seek a 40 percent uniform reduction in the Federal tax on all tobacco products.

The call went to the governors of South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Georgia, which, with North Carolina, are the nation's principal weed-producing states.

Ehringhaus' action followed a conference here with representatives of North Carolina growers who memorialized Congress to vote the 40 percent tax reduction as recommended by a congressional sub-committee.

"We insist that effective steps be taken by Congress and the AAA to insure that the decrease in the tax shall be reflected equitably in increased prices to the tobacco grower for his tobacco, and in reduced prices to the consumer," the resolution said.

Alibi Is Defense Of Accused Man In Rockingham Court

Rockingham, April 13 (AP)—Council for George Robins today paraded a long string of witnesses to the stand in Richmond County Superior court in an effort to save him from the electric chair.

He and James Sanders are on trial charged with slaying Mrs. Robins March 18, but their defenses are being conducted separately, and evidence for Sanders has not begun.

The Robins defense consisted mainly of efforts to corroborate the defendant, who testified yesterday he was not at home at the time the killing took place.

FERA Has Thousands On The Job

Work Resumed on Many Projects Unfinished When CWA Was Disbanded

Raleigh, April 13 (AP)—Several thousand North Carolina unemployed had jobs again today as the Federal Emergency Relief Administration ordered work resumed on a number of projects left unfinished when the civil works program ended March 31.

Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State administrator, said work had been resumed on some projects in practically every center of population in the State.

It is expected that approximately 20,000 persons will be ultimately put to work on CWA projects left unfinished. The peak CWA payroll was in excess of 70,000, but when the program was concluded there were only 28,000 workers employed.

Among projects on which work has been resumed are the State Capitol grounds and airport in Raleigh.

Evidence Shows Utility Efforts In 1929 To Get Connection In Schools

Three In Family Crossing Victims

Vicksburg, Miss., April 13.—(AP)—Three members of one family were fatally injured and one other seriously hurt today when an Illinois Central passenger train struck the automobile in which the four was riding near Bovina, Miss., seven miles east of Vicksburg. The dead: Oscar Williams, 55; Mrs. Oscar Williams, 31; and their three-year-old daughter, Willie Louvina Williams. The four-year-old son of the Williams couple, Oscar, sustained a possible skull fracture and was brought here in a grave condition.

Electric Power Industry Approved Plan for Picked Executives In Each State

MINUTES READ TO TRADE COMMISSION

No Evidence To Show Whether Program Outlined Was Ever Actually Attempted or Not; Educational Committee Members Were Not Involved

Washington, April 13.—(AP)—Evidence to show that the electric power industry in 1929 approved a plan to seek utility executives in every state to strengthen corporation with heads of educational institutions was produced today in the Federal Trade Commission utility inquiry.

Minutes of the public relations section of the National Electric Light Association, dated March 6, 1929, disclosed the utility members of a committee of cooperation with educational institutions obtained the approval of the public relations executive committee for such a step.

Educational members of the committee were not involved in the report.

There was no evidence to show whether the industry ever took the step outlined by the committee, which also recommended a definition of policy for cooperation with educational institutions.

The National Electric Light Association has since been dissolved and replaced by the Edison Electric Institute.

INTEREST GROWS IN NEW CONSTITUTION

Recent Attacks on Proposal Have Served to Attract Attention To It

WILL BE VOTED UPON

General Assembly Last Year Approved Commission's Work and Passed Measure on to Electorate Next November

By J. C. BASKERVILLE
Daily Dispatch Bureau

Raleigh, April 13.—An increasing amount of public attention is being focused on the proposed new State Constitution which will be submitted to the voters of the State for adoption in the November election this fall, and people are becoming more and more interested in it, according to opinion in political and State circles here. One reason for this interest in the proposed new basic law of the State, it is agreed, are the bitter attacks which have been made upon it recently by Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt and a few others who are opposed to it. Quite a number of observers here feel that the Attorney general is really going to help the chances for the adoption of the new Constitution by focusing public attention upon it by his bitter opposition to it.

"The proposed Constitution gets its strength from the very points which the attorney general labels as weaknesses," says an editorial in the Durham Herald of Wednesday, April 11, which presents one of the best informed discussions of the new Constitution yet seen in print, according to those who are familiar with the new document. "It removes restrictions which the legislature has consistently ignored and the attorney general has not yet put a stop to it. He can't, for the simple reason that conditions demand things the (present) Constitution prohibits. The Constitution of 1868 embodies the principles of government as then conceived by men who were guided and probably coerced by circumstances then at hand. These principles have been expanded, stretched and ignored until they no longer retain their identity or suit present needs. The way to destroy constitutional government is to cling to an outworn constitution that has become a handicap."

The proposed new constitution, as all these who are familiar with it know, was written and adopted by the 1933 General Assembly after the Senate and House committee had reworked the suggested new Constitution, as submitted by the Constitutional Commission, created by the 1933 general assembly and charged with the task of preparing a draft of a new constitution to submit to the 1933 assembly. Chief Justice W. P. Stacy of the State Supreme Court, was chairman of this commission, while mem-

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TEXTBOOK AWARDS NOT MADE AS YET

State Board of Education Still Hearing Publishers' Agent

Daily Dispatch Bureau
In the Sir Walter Hotel.

BY J. C. BASKERVILLE
Raleigh, April 13.—The State Board of Education is still hearing representatives of textbook publishers whose books are on the lists recommended for adoption by the State Textbook Commission. The board finished its hearings on elementary history texts several days ago and yesterday started to hear the publishers' representatives of the high school textbooks. These are the history, civics and economics texts which have been recommended. The hearings on these text books will continue through today and

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Barrow's Gang Pair Captured

Hot Springs, Ark., April 13.—(AP)—Six men and three women were arrested by police here today during and after a raid on a reported hide-out of Clyde Barrow, Texas desperado, but Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers said none of the men was Barrow.

In an apartment house where four of the men and two of the women were seized, Akers said, "a bushel basket of \$20 bills" was found hidden. He estimated they amounted to \$3,000 or \$4,000.

Two men and one woman, the lat-

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President Roosevelt Tells a Few Fish Stories



Smiling broadly, President Roosevelt, shown aboard the Vincent Astor yacht Nourmahal, in Florida waters, talks to visiting newspapermen about the fishing situation. The correspondents met the yacht at sea to learn first hand just how successful the president's fishing luck has been.

BANK PAY-OFF BILL BLOCKED IN HOUSE

Foes of Measure Have It All Wrapped Up In Red Tape For Keeps

PROponents HOPEFUL

They Continue Fight for Passage, and Get Almost Enough Signatures To Force Action On House Floor

Washington, April 13.—(AP)—Foes of the bank pay-off bill had it all wrapped up in red tape today, and hoped to keep it so till Congress goes home.

Its friends, refusing to admit defeat kept slipping away at the tangle trying to get the bill out into the open for a vote in the House.

The measure—the McLeod bill—would have the government pay depositors millions of dollars now tied up in banks, that are still restricted.

It has been in the House Banking Committee for some time but the situation came to a head yesterday. Proponents of the legislation, putting on steam, garnered four signatures on a petition they had been circulating.

The four, added to what they had, made 141.

Sharp Row At Cannon Case Trial

\$5,000 Bishop Found After Forgetting It Is Basis of Heated Words

Washington, April 13.—(AP)—Government and defense attorneys engaged today in a sharp controversy at the trial of Bishop James Cannon, Jr., over testimony that the churchman had found \$5,000 in 1931 he had forgotten about.

Lee P. Oliver, a Justice Department special agent, testified yesterday that the Southern Methodist clergyman told of finding the money at a conference in the district attorney's office here.

Today Robert H. McNeill, defense

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Fair tonight and Saturday; slow ly rising temperature Saturday.

Police House Raided By Man Believed Dillinger

Policeman Slugged and Four Bullet-Proof Vests and Two Revolvers Taken at Warsaw, Ind.; Pair Escape After Making Raid Over Fire House

Warsaw, Ind., April 13.—(AP)—A man identified as John Dillinger led a machine gun raid on the Warsaw police station today, slugged a policeman, stole four bullet-proof vests and two revolvers and got away.

Judd Tettering, the slugged policeman, said he was "quite positive" that one of the two raiders was the Indiana "wooden gun" desperado. He recognized the other from photographs as Homer Van Meter, paroled Indiana convict and a member of Dillinger's original gang of bandits.

The raid, the third such foray in small Indiana cities credited to Dillinger's mob put police and bank officials on edge. Similar raids at Auburn and Peru last October preceded bank robberies at Green Castle and East Chicago, Ind., and Racine, Wis.

Tettering said the two criminals hit him on the head in an alley near the station. At machine gun point, they forced him to walk to the station on the second floor of the fire house and open the case in which the arms were kept.

While they were choosing the vests, he said, he broke away and ran. The two pursued him for a short distance, but then returned to their black sedan and roared out of town. Paul Hodges, city fireman, awake in his quarters downstairs just in time to see the raiders leave.

PRAISES BANKERS FOR GIVING HELP

Treasurer Johnson Says Their Aid Made Lower Interest Possible

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.
BY J. C. BASKERVILLE
Raleigh, April 13.—The bankers in North Carolina were strongly commended for cooperating with the State in strengthening its credit and reducing its expense due to former high interest rates on its notes by State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson in an address before Group Two of the North Carolina Bankers' Association in Enfield last night. He pointed out that the State is now saving \$242,000 a year in interest charges alone as the result of the reduction in the interest rate on North Carolina short term notes from six per cent to four per cent, and that this reduction was largely brought about with the help of North Carolina banks, who were the first to reduce their interest rates on state borrowings, while New York bankers were still demanding six per cent.

"A year and a half ago, New York bankers were demanding and getting six per cent from North Carolina on its notes and almost refusing to renew them even at six per cent," Johnson said. "But that was before the 1933 General Assembly passed the revenue act balancing the State budget. Then, the bankers here within the State agreed to take several million dollars worth of these notes at five per cent interest. That has now been

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E. C. MACON FILES AGAINST WINBORNE

Asheville Man Was Defeated Foe of Utilities Head Back In 1932

Raleigh, April 13.—(AP)—E. C. Macon, of Asheville, today filed notice with the State Board of Elections that he will seek the Democratic nomination for North Carolina utilities commissioner in the June primary.

He will oppose Stanley Winborne, the incumbent, who is serving under a gubernatorial appointment. Macon was defeated by Winborne in 1932, when the two fought the nomination for corporation commissioner.

Virginia Electric Cuts Higher Rates In North Carolina

Raleigh, April 13.—(AP)—Stanley Winborne, State Utilities commissioner, today announced the Virginia Electric and Power Company has agreed to put into effect in North Carolina the same commercial and domestic rates as now exist in Virginia.

The company serves several communities in the extreme north eastern portion of this State.

The change, Winborne said, will mean that the top domestic rate will be reduced from seven to six cents a kilowatt. The new rate will become effective July 1.

MEMBERS PARADE TO UNION STATION WITH MARINE BAND

President Says He'll Be Frank and Admit He Is Sorry To Get Back To Capital

HAD GREAT TIME ON VACATION FISHING

Says He Understands Congress Has Had Big Time, Too, "Going From Wirt to Wirt"; Wants Congress To Stay in Washington Long As It Wants To

Washington, April 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt was welcomed back from his Florida vacation today by some 200 members of Congress.

"I can't be truthful and say I am glad to get back; I'm sorry," he told them jocularly, when cheering subsided.

"While I've had a wonderful time, I gather that both houses of Congress have also had a wonderful time."

Rapture greeted his salutes. The congressional delegation, led by Vice-President Garner and Speaker Rainey had marched over to the Union Station from the Capitol behind the Marine Band. Martial music echoed.

When the presidential train arrived, Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Anna Dayy her daughter-in-law, Mrs. James Roosevelt, and her son, Elliott, immediately went aboard.

A few minutes later the official Senate and House committees went into the President's car.

The congressional contingent outside shouted and applauded when the President later emerged on the arm of his son, James. The band played, "Hail to the Chief."

Just after that the President said he was "very glad to see you all" and thanked the members of Congress for coming to welcome him.

Continuing, he said he expected to get publicity on the fish he caught off the coast of Florida, but there had been too much competition, because "you people have been going from Wirt to Wirt." This also brought a laugh from the crowd.

"Newspapermen on the train coming up," Mr. Roosevelt said, "have been trying to get me to say that I

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SILVER ADVOCATES SPEED UP ACTIVITY

Washington, April 13.—(AP)—Talk of Congress adjourning within a month today spurred increased activities by advocates of silver legislation and the McLeod bill for the government to pay off depositors in closed banks.

Attempts were being made to get the silverites together on one of the varied measures that are scattered over the Capitol.

Speaker Rainey, on old-timer for silver, had a smile on.

Bank Group May Block The Finals

Demand Action on Pay-Off for Depositors Before Session Is Ended

Washington, April 13.—(AP)—A movement intended to block adjournment of Congress until the McLeod bill to pay off depositors in closed banks has been acted upon was begun today in the House.

Representative Dingell, Democrat, Michigan, prepared a petition by which the signers would pledge themselves to vote against any motion for adjournment of the 73rd Congress until the bill has been acted upon.

He said that, although a large number of the members had told him they were willing to sign it, the petition would not be pressed until it was determined what attitude the banking committee will take toward asking the House for quick action.