

15 KNOWN KILLED IN CANADIAN RAIL WRECK

FINDING MORE MONEY BIGGEST JOB FACING COMING LEGISLATURE

Increased Appropriations
Demanded on All Sides
By Various State
Agencies

SESSION TO BEGIN
TWO WEEKS HENCE

At Least Part of Salary Cuts
Imposed on Teachers And
State Employees Two
Years Ago Must Be Re-
stored; Highway Surplus
Will Be Target

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
in the Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. Baskerville.

Raleigh, Dec. 26.—The biggest problem before the new General Assembly, which will convene here two weeks from today, is going to be that of finding several millions of dollars of additional revenue which most people agree must be found to rescue the State's schools, higher educational institutions and State departments and increase the more necessary services of the State government, according to the opinion here. With a majority of the members of the General Assembly already pledged to increase teachers' salaries, which means that they must increase other State salaries, too, the effort to obtain this additional revenue, ranging from \$3,000,000 to \$6,000,000 a year for the next two years will undoubtedly overshadow everything else.

With the State departments, schools and institutions already asking \$10,000,000 more than was appropriated

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Two Men Drowned As Car Goes Off New Bern Bridge

New Bern, Dec. 26.—(AP)—James R. Bell, 24 of Bridgeton and Andrew W. Overman, 20, of the Marine Corps, at home for a Christmas vacation, were drowned in Neuse river at 11:15 o'clock last night when their car, driven by Overman, crashed through a guard rail into six feet of water. Bell's body was found in the car when it was pulled from the river at 12:30, while that of Overman was recovered later by a dragging party from the Coast Guard cutter Pamlico.

Overman had brought Bell to New Bern to get medicine for his sick mother. The accident occurred on the return trip.

Coroner G. M. Henderson and other county officials expressed the opinion that Overman's car was hit by another whose driver failed to stop. No inquest was held.

Abduction Case Nears Jury Stage

Judge Daniels Orders Acquittal For One; Other Eight Go To Jury

Smithfield, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Judge Frank A. Daniels, presiding over the trial of the nine persons charged with kidnaping three Johnston county girls today ordered the acquittal of Almon Keen, one defendant, after the State completed its case, and the defense decided to offer no testimony.

Judge Daniels overruled a motion of defense counsel for a directed acquittal for Arthur Krane, of New York, another defendant, who is charged only with the kidnaping of Camelia Price.

The jurist also denied motions for a non-suit for the other defendants, Alex Beasley, Clinton Beasley, Nellie B. Beasley, Ila Beasley, Pearl Beasley, Margaret Lee Keen and Mrs. Sarah Beasley Krane.

John J. Meara, New York lawyer, representing Krane, lodged the motion in his behalf while E. J. Welons, of the Johnston county bar,

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"Enemy" at Liberty



"Dutch" Schultz, one of the ranking public enemies of the country, won his freedom from Albany, N. Y., jail for the holidays when an obliging friend posted \$75,000 in Liberty bonds as bail. He is seen leaving to enjoy the Yuletide.

(Central Press)

J.A. Hartness Passes With Heart Attack

Former Secretary of
State of N. C. Dies at
His Home at
Statesville

Statesville, Dec. 26.—(AP)—James A. Hartness, 71, former secretary of state, died early today at a sanitarium here following a heart attack.

The widow of the former State official, who was a practicing attorney here in recent years, was at his bedside.

Yesterday just before noon Hartness suffered the sudden heart attack and was taken to Long sanitarium, where death came at midnight. He had been in good health.

His term of secretary of state of North Carolina began in February, 1928, when Governor McLean appointed him to the position to succeed the late W. N. Everitt. He was elected clerk of Iredell County Superior Court in 1898, and every four years was re-elected to that office until he received Governor McLean's appointment.

A year after he began the practice of law, Hartness married Miss Jennie Henderson, of Rowan county. Eight children survive the union. Several years after the death of Mrs. Hartness he married in 1923 Miss Annie Sloan, of Winston-Salem.

Funeral services will be held at 3:30 p. m. Thursday here at the First Presbyterian church, Rev. C. E. Rynal, will conduct the services.

DENY THAT GUFFEY PUT BURNS ACROSS

New Democratic Senator
From Pennsylvania Not
So All-Powerful

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Staff Writer
Washington, Dec. 25.—Joseph F. Guffey, who will take his seat Jan. 3 as one of Pennsylvania's pair of senators, succeeding David A. Reed, defeated last November for re-election, is being advertised as having assured the choice of Congressman Joseph W. Byrns of Tennessee for the speakership of the House of Representatives when the national lawmakers assemble.

To term this claim "guff" would be too cheap for witticism to pass muster. It is hokey, however.

Guffey did not authorize the pub-

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FEDERAL CONTROL OF TRANSMISSION OF POWER URGED

President's Mississippi Valley
Committee Offers
Far-Reaching
Proposal

WOULD TIE IN ALL
NATION'S SUPPLIES

Unification of All Electric
Lines To Create Giant Pool
of Cheap Power and To
Assure Stability Is Recom-
mended In Report Sub-
mitted

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—A far-reaching proposal for Federal control of the transmission of the entire electricity supply of America was urged upon President Roosevelt today in a report by his Mississippi Valley committee.

The group of scientists and technicians whom the President directed to study ways of developing resources in the great valley urged unification of all electric lines as a means of creating a giant pool of cheap power, and of promoting stability.

It also suggested a billion dollar 20-year program of public works in the valley, and recommended that all dams built to aid navigation or flood control be used to generate power as well. Even the remotest hydro-electric development would be tied into the common nationwide system under the plan.

Headed by Morris L. Cooke, Philadelphia consulting engineer, the committee emphasized the "plan does not involve the question of public or private ownership of either generation or distribution."

"Government control of transmission, however," it said, "is fundamental. This goal does not involve necessarily any great increase in the number of publicly-owned lines especially if the private companies cooperate in effecting unification."

Meanwhile, there were two other developments in the utilities field. From the Public Works Administration figures were garnered showing that allotments totalling \$47,000,000 have been made for municipal power plants, and nearly \$200,000,000 for Federal power works. PWA officials made plain they would continue to assist cities where municipal projects face legal battles.

MERCHANTS FACE DISCRIMINATIONS

Wharfage Charge Increase
at Norfolk Emphasizes
Terminal Need

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in the Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. Baskerville.

Raleigh, Dec. 26.—Another discrimination against North Carolina merchants and shippers who have been getting commodities by water to Norfolk and from there to North Carolina points by truck or inland water way, has just been called to the attention of State officials here, as a

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Hunt Two In Death Christmas

Wilmington, Dec. 26 (AP)—A coroner's jury moved today to fix responsibility for the death of Cole G. Pridden, a linotype mechanic, who was fatally injured in an altercation at a downtown establishment which police have raided twice within ten days.

The 33-year-old mechanic was found lying in the doorway of the place Sunday night, and he died at a local hospital yesterday afternoon without ever regaining consciousness. One man was being held pending conclusion of the coroner's investigation of the killing and a second was being sought.

The man detained was J. B. Lewis, who with Luther Hargrove, the man sought, were arrested in a raid on the establishment December 15. Lewis was arrested for alleged violation of the prohibition law, and an ordinance against operation of slot machines, while Hargrove was arrested on a charge of gambling.

WHOLE ROOSEVELT FAMILY TOGETHER FOR CHRISTMAS



The entire Roosevelt family of four sons and one daughter and grandchildren and the president's mother, Mrs. Sarah Delano Roosevelt, are expected at the White House this Christmas.

To Quicken Electrical Purchasing

Washington, Dec. 26.—(AP)—An effort to find means of stimulating purchases of electrical appliances through regular private utility channels is being made by President Roosevelt.

He said today at his regular press conference that the government is seeking to be helpful to private utilities in setting up a program, similar to that of the electric home and farm authority in the Tennessee Valley, to aid in financing purchases of electrical appliances.

His theory is that by encouraging the utilities to produce appliances for the home and farms on a large scale the price can be considerably reduced.

The presidential attitude was interpreted as a distinct willingness by the administration to cooperate with private utilities in effort to obtain cheaper power.

Some of the utility heads have pledged cooperation to Mr. Roosevelt. The Edison Electric Institute has started court action against the administration power program seeking to test the constitutionality of the Tennessee Valley Authority act.

Ellsworth Meets Byrd Party Soon

Two Antarctic Exploring Groups To Unite at Bay of Whales Shortly

Wellington, New Zealand, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Lincoln Ellsworth, Antarctic explorer, and his pilot, Bernt Balchen, were reported today to have made a successful airplane flight across the Antarctic from Deception Island to the Bay of Whales.

The flight was made yesterday, Christmas day.

The report did not say whether Sir Hubert Wilkins, partner of Ellsworth on the expedition, was in the plane.

It did, however, say that the members of the expedition intended to have a great time in their encounter with the expedition headed by Admiral Richard E. Byrd at Litt's America.

\$18,000 Payroll Taken By Four Highwaymen In South Carolina Hold-Up

Shoot Tires off Automobile of Three Guards Having Springs Mill Money and Escape; Police Dragnet Spread for Robbers Surrounding Territory

Lancaster, S. C., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Four highwaymen robbed three guards of an \$18,000 Spring Mill payroll four miles from here today after shooting the tires off the guards' automobile. The four escaped, but police and scores of citizens immediately began a search.

The payroll was being taken from Lancaster to Chester, where there are other units of the textile mills, at the time of the hold-up.

The bandits escaped in a (Pontiac) sedan.

Officials of the Springs mills here said the amount of the loot was approximately \$18,000, but that a positive check could not be made immediately. The three guards remained at the vicinity of the hold-up with police and several hundred citizens as a search began.

Police immediately broadcast warnings over the State and officers in nearby communities posted guards on all roads.

May Be Taken From State Hospital and Put In Central Prison

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Raleigh, Dec. 26.—Removal of the criminal insane prisoners from the State Hospital for the Insane here back to the Central Prison, so that they can be more adequately housed and guarded, will probably be recommended in the report of Commissioner of Paroles Edwin M. Gill to Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, it was learned here today from an authoritative source. If this recommendation is made, as is now expected, it will be in line with the opinions of a good many here who have become convinced that the place for the criminal insane prisoners is within the cells and behind the bars of the Central Prison, where armed guards are

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CLAIM HAUPTMANN SEVERELY BEATEN

New York, Dec. 26 (AP)—Dr. Thurston H. Dexter, Brooklyn physician, today declined to confirm or deny a published report that he had found evidence of a "terrible beating" on the body of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, awaiting trial on a charge of murdering the Lindbergh baby.

The steamers Bear of Oakland and Jacob Rupert, of the Byrd expedition and the S. S. Wyatt Earp, of the Ellsworth-Wilkins group, will meet at the Bay of Whales in their next few weeks.

WEATHER
FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Partly cloudy and much colder tonight and Thursday.

EXPRESS CRASHES ON REAR CARS OF EXCURSION TRAIN

More Than Score Injured,
Some Critically, as Loco-
motive Runs Into
Switch

VICTIMS MANGLED
IN THE WRECKAGE

Excursion Train Is Laden
With Merry Holiday Travel-
ers, and Had Run Into Sid-
ing With Hot Box; Victims
Apparently Are All Can-
adians

Hamilton, Ontario, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The splintering wreckage of a Christmas excursion train was searched today for additional victims as officials of the Canadian Railways opened an investigation of a collision last night which took at least 15 lives.

More than a score of persons were injured, some critically, when the Detroit to Toronto Express tore into the rear of the stationary excursion train on a siding at Dugas, seven miles from Hamilton.

Nine women were among the mangled victims of the disaster whose bodies have been recovered, but as yet are unidentified. Additional deaths were feared.

Officials of the railway said the cause of the accident apparently was an open switch, and promised an intensive investigation.

Laden with merry holiday travelers, the excursion train was bound from London, Ontario, to Toronto. Most of the victims, all of whom apparently were Canadians, were residents of those two cities.

Two wooden cars at the rear of the excursion train, which had been switched onto a siding because of a "hot box" were crushed, and many passengers, screaming in agony, were pinned for hours beneath the wreckage.

The alertness and quick thinking of Engineer B. Burwell, of the speeding train from Detroit, was credited by

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State Has 3 Holiday Fatalities

Charlotte, Dec. 26 (AP)—Only three deaths attributable to accidents were counted today as North Carolinians looked back on what was generally reported to be the "quietest and sanest" Christmas celebration in years.

Oshy Howard 26, Cedar Fork farmer, was killed near Morrisville when the automobile in which he was riding overturned.

Edward Brantley, 28-year-old farmer was killed when he was hit by an automobile near Wilson.

Luther Walser, 55, a Lexington furniture worker, was fatally injured when his car turned over near Lexington.

6 Are Dead In Collision At Crossing

Car Skids on Frozen
Street Striking
Grand Trunk Train
In Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Speeding into Chicago an hour late, the International Limited of the Grand Trunk line, today crashed into an automobile at a crossing near suburban Harvey. All occupants of the car, believed to have numbered six were killed.

One victim was believed to have been John Burk, of Chicago, associated with the relief organization at Chicago Heights, Ill.

The automobile was southbound in Halstead street, a heavy travelled highway through the suburb. As the car approached the tracks, the driver saw the train bearing down and made a frantic effort to stop. The wheels failed to hold on the snow-covered pavement and the car skidded into the oncoming train.

Cohoon To Serve 60-Days Term In Cumberland Jail

Fayetteville, Dec. 26. (AP)—Walter H. Cohoon, Elizabeth City lawyer, will expiate the horse-whipping of a brother member of the Pasquotank county bar by serving a 60-day sentence in the Cumberland county jail.

Although the offense was committed in Elizabeth City, the former member of the State Highway Commission was given the privilege of picking his own jail and he chose the Cumberland county jail.

Mr. Cohoon wrote Sheriff N. H. McGeehey to expect him January 2.