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LEGION IGNORES ROOSEVELT IN BONUS FIGHT

Five Aged Men Lose Lives As County Home Is Burned In Early Hour At Gaffney

OTHERS ARE HURT AND TEMPERATURE AT FREEZING MARK

Convicts at Camp Few Hundred Yards Away Temporarily Freed To in Rescue

SCREAMING INMATES ROLLED IN BLANKETS

Rushed to Nearby Hospitals; Approximately 50 Persons Housed in South Carolina County Institution; Origin of Blaze as Yet Undetermined

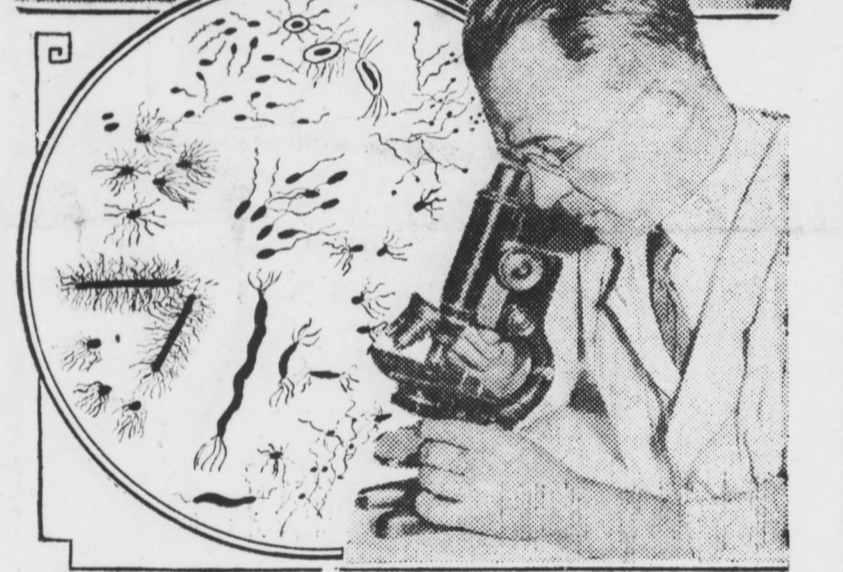
Gaffney, S. C., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Five aged men were burned to death and 15 were injured near here early today when fire destroyed the main building of the Cherokee county home as the thermometer stood at freezing. Convicts from a prison camp situated only a few hundred yards from the scene rescued the screaming inmates, wrapped them in blankets from the camp and aided in rushing them to hospitals. Approximately 50 persons were housed in the building. Origin of the early morning blaze was not determined immediately. The main building, the only one lost, was destroyed completely. Damage to the brick structure, the dormitory of the county home, was not estimated, pending a further check. Authorities began an immediate investigation of the flames, which were believed to have started on the roof.

Year Brings Optimism On The Future

Everywhere Americans Give Noisy and Merry Greeting To Young 1935

(By the Associated Press.) The New Year came in exuberantly today, welcomed by noisy demonstrations, many of them the gayest in years and expressions of optimism for its future. New Yorkers, disdainful of entertainment prices that ran about 25 percent higher than those during prohibition, turned out for the greatest holiday merry-making in the city's history, jamming Times Square with its biggest throng ever. San Francisco for the first time in five years escaped a New Year's rain and belabored Market street with a hail of its own making—confetti. Manta was not so lucky, encountering a steady downpour, but threw back a challenge with horns and whistles, with other noise-makers going full blast. Chicago, drunk deeply in the New Year to a jingle of a celebration fund estimated as high as \$300,000 for the first hour of the old year and the first of the new. The South's winter resorts celebrated the advent of 1935 with their most elaborate reception in years. Palm Beach and Miami extended warm and gay greetings.

Conquerors of Inf. Paralysis



Subjecting of infantile paralysis through vaccination is assured by two different serums, one developed by Dr. William P. Park (L) and Dr. Maurice Brodie, shown above in their New York laboratory, and Dr. John A. Kolmer, of Philadelphia. So they told the American Association for Advancement of Science, making official various preliminary reports to that effect. As yet, however, the poliomyelitis germ hasn't been isolated, and so science doesn't know which one of these organisms found in the blood stream, magnified millions of times, the dreaded disease looks like.

1935 Probably Will Be Better Year Than 1934 For North Carolinians

If Progress Is In Same Proportion, Business Level Will Be Back Near 1926 Scale

CROP VALUE GAINS ARE BIGGEST BOOST

Many Additional Millions Paid in 1934 Over 1933 and Still More in Excess of Figure for 1932; Crop Sign-Ups Apparently Will Assure Levels

Raleigh, Jan. 1.—If 1935 turns out to be as good a year as 1934 was, the people of North Carolina can look forward to a fairly prosperous year, according to most State officials and others who have carefully watched conditions throughout 1934. But if conditions continue to improve throughout 1935 as they have for the past six months of 1934, the people of the State can look forward to the unusually good year from almost every standpoint, observers here agree. It is that "if" that stands in the way, however, since if it could be removed, there would be no doubt about the future prosperity of North Carolina. But even with the "if" still in the picture, the outlook is still excellent that 1935 will be better than 1934. The most encouraging factor in look

LEADERS TO PRESS IMMEDIATE PAYING VETERANS' CLAIMS

Despite Opposition of President, Fight Will Be Pushed, Commander Belgrano Says

ISSUES REJOINDER TO THE PRESIDENT

Claims Payment of Debts by Veterans on Borrowings Is One of Strongest Arguments for Immediate Payment of Full Amount; Some Won't Collect

Washington, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., commander of the American Legion, declared today it would press for immediate payment of the soldiers' bonus, despite the opposition of President Roosevelt. In a statement issued at Legion headquarters here, Belgrano contended that the Roosevelt anti-payment letter of yesterday "contained one of the strongest arguments in favor of immediate payment of the adjusted service certificates I have yet read." The reference was to the President's reminder that when the veterans borrowed fifty per cent of the face value of the certificates in 1931, it was used largely to discharge their debts. "It is only reasonable to suppose the same results would be obtained today when the balance due is paid," said Belgrano. The President had asserted payment would not aid in recovery. His point of view already had been contested by the Veterans of Foreign

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Steel May Test NRA In Courts

Washington, Jan. 1 (AP)—As a result of the collapse of the negotiations for a steel labor truce, observers foresee a legal fight which may find United States Steel Corporation carrying the challenge to the recovery act up to the United States Supreme Court.

The Steel Labor Board has issued an order for an election to determine collective bargaining representatives at Duquesne, Pa., and McDonald, Ohio, plans for the Carnegie Steel company, a subsidiary of United States Steel. Steel officials already had made known they would not surrender payrolls for the purpose of making up eligibility lists for such elections.

Marooned Fliers Rest In Hospital

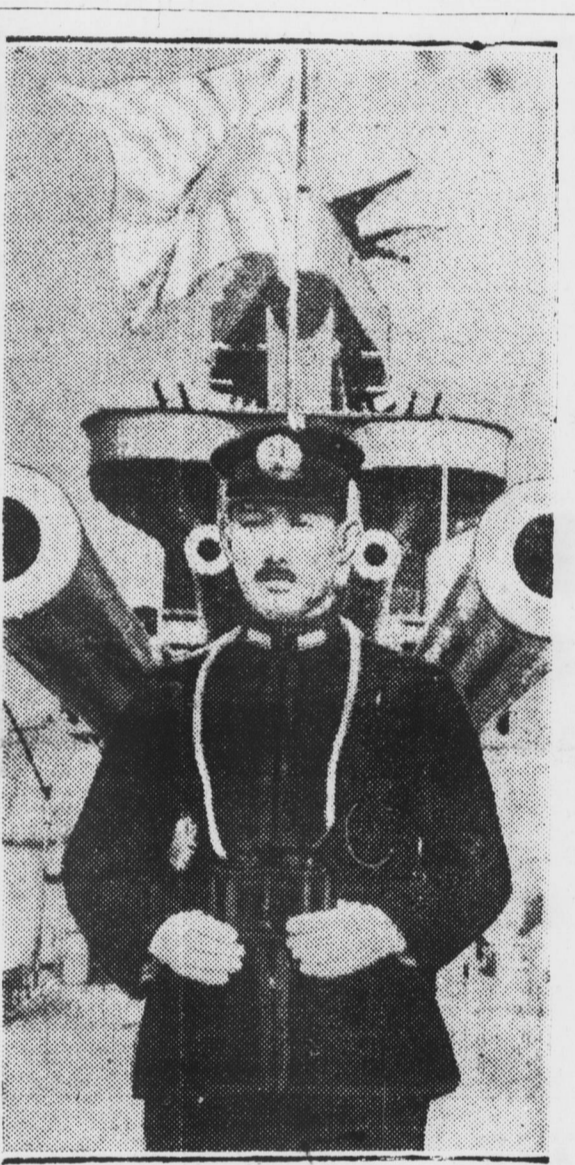
Utica, N. Y., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Four men rescued from the snowbound wilderness into which their broken plane plunged them basked in the warmth of civilization today, three of them in a hospital and the fourth back on the airways. After shivering in the snow and ice of the Adirondack fastnesses for more than two days, the men were fed and carried to safety late yesterday by a party of rugged native woodsmen who found and beat the forest. It was as the snow rich softened their fall and saved their lives when the luxurious air liner crashed Friday night in a blinding storm on Wilde mountain, 25 miles north and east of here.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair tonight and Wednesday; colder tonight and in east portion Wednesday.

Court Room Drama Waiting In Hauptmann Prosecution Held By The Prosecution

Japan's Naval Leader

This is the man who now commands the navy which Japan wants to make the most powerful in the world. He is Vice Admiral Sankichi Takahashi, shown in an especially posed International News Photo Service portrait made aboard his flagship, Yamashiro. He was recently named to the post of commander-in-chief for the so-called "emergency period" of 1935.



CURTIS, SNUBBED BY PROSECUTION, MAY TALK FOR DEFENSE

Hauptmann Attorney Says Norfolk Boat Builder Will Be Invited to Give Testimony

STATE'S EVIDENCE IS AGAIN EXAMINED

All Members of Legal Staff Go To Trenton To Study For Last Time Before Trial Begins Tomorrow the Facts Offered To Convict Prisoner

New York, Jan. 1.—(AP)—D. Lloyd Fisher, associate counsel for Bruno Richard Hauptmann, said today he would invite John Hughes Curtis, Norfolk, Va., boat builder, to testify for the defense in Hauptmann's trial on a charge of murdering the Lindbergh baby.

DRESS REHEARSAL IS HAD BY STATE'S PROSECUTION

Flemington, N. J., Jan. 1.—(AP)—The State called a dress rehearsal today of the court room drama in

Cohoon Is Ready To Begin Serving Sentence in Jail

Fayetteville, Jan. 1.—(AP)—W. L. Cohoon, portly gray-headed Elizabeth City attorney, former Raleigh newspaper man, and former member of the State Highway Commission, has arrived in Fayetteville to begin tomorrow serving a 60-day sentence in the Cumberland county jail for horse whipping a young Elizabeth City attorney.

Cohoon seemed in good health and excellent spirits. He said he harbored no grudges or ill feeling. Judge H. A. Grady, who sentenced Cohoon, will hold the term of court here January 14. Altor Carlie Randall stated his prisoner would be put to work compiling statistical reports from jail records.

Baptists In First Meet At Raleigh

General Themes Of Big Four-Day Sunday School Gathering Are Outlined

Raleigh, Jan. 1 (AP)—The general themes to be studied during the four days of conference were outlined to delegates here today as the fifth annual Southern Baptist Sunday School Convention began. More than 1,000 delegates were on hand to hear Southern Baptist leaders call them to their task of "emphasizing and spreading the word of God." By tonight, when the delegates will

Panama Canal Is Under Guard In Face Of Rumor

Unprecedented Action Taken Following Anonymous Warning of Scheme To Blow Up Huge Gatun Locks; Whole Infantry Company Camps on the Walls

Colon, Panama, Jan. 1 (AP)—Unusual precautions to guard the Gatun locks of the Panama Canal were taken today after rumors were heard of a threat to blow up the massive gates. Reports circulated that H. M. Thomas, assistant superintendent at Gatun, received an anonymous letter in which the threat was made. Both Thomas and the military intelligence service denied the accuracy of the rumors. The 14th Infantry company was encamped on the walls of the locks, and

Press Trial Six Persons For Slaying

Kansas City, Jan. 1 (AP)—With no thought of a holiday, government prosecutors moved swiftly today in the trial of six persons accused of plotting the crime that led to the slaying of five men, four of them officers, at the Union Station here 18 months ago. The testimony of three Federal agents pointed to Verne Miller, and Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, both dead, and Adam Ricketti as the machine gunners who unleashed the fatal burst of fire in an unsuccessful attempt to free Frank Nash, a Federal prisoner in custody of the officers. The testimony of a dozen witnesses concerned a chain of telephone calls

PER CAPITA BURDEN OF TAXES GROWING

Nation's Total for All Units Now Around \$400 Per Family Head

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer Washington, Jan. 1.—A year is none too great a time allowance for President Roosevelt to have granted to Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau to gather the information the White House requires, in order to submit a well-balanced taxation plan to Congress and each of the 48 state legislatures at the beginning of the usual law-making session, early in 1936. The country's total annual tax bill