

LEGISLATURE ORDERS PENAL-INSANE INQUIRY

GREEK GOVERNMENT FORCES LAUNCH NEW ATTACK ON REBELS

Floods Hamper Operations, However, as Result of Heavy Rains and Melting Snows

REBEL FLEET HITS AT TURK SHIPPING

Turkish Steamer from Smyrna Halted and Diverted from Its Course; Mussolini Orders Three Italian Warships to Scene; Heavy Firing on Border

Athens, Greece, March 8 (AP)—Loyal troops launched an offensive from the north against the Greek government intercepted messages it said indicated the insurgents were about ready to surrender.

General Kallistras, commanding the division in the north, sent his troops plunging down across snow covered fields in the wake of bombing planes that roared across the rebels' positions to harass them with aerial bombs and machine gun fire.

Athens, Greece, March 8 (AP)—General George Kondylis today began an offensive against the rebel forces in the Struma valley, hurling against them a 12-plane bombing attack.

Strange Death of Statler's Heiress Is Still Mystery

Piedmont, March 8 (AP)—After an eight-day investigation, the strange death of Mrs. Elva Statler Davidson, beautiful young heiress, remained as baffling today as it was when her body was found sprawled on the floor of her automobile in the family garage.

As the result of an "open verdict" returned by the coroner's jury yesterday, the investigation was right back where it started. The jury reported merely that Mrs. Davidson died of carbon monoxide poisoning under circumstances unknown to the jury.

Dividend Tax Would Yield One Million Further Highway Diversion Also Sought in Effort To Balance Budget

Raleigh, March 8.—Taxation of dividends of domestic corporation stock is to yield at least \$1,000,000, the levying of the three per cent sales tax against the sale of gasoline, with the added implication to levy a straight three per cent sales tax to all restaurants was proposed by a Senate leader of the sales tax bloc as a method of balancing the budget in the joint legislative finance committee. Revenue Commissioner Maxwell

Hopkins Cracks Down



Harry Hopkins Governor Davey

Federal Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins has bluntly refused to take over Ohio's relief problem. In a blistering letter to Gov. Martin L. Davey, Hopkins said he expected Ohio to continue to furnish \$2,000,000 a month toward its own relief expenses.

"FREE SPENDERS" INFLATING MONEY BILLS PURPOSELY

They Are In Control of Appropriations and Finance Committees in Both Houses

THEY ARE SEEKING MORE ROAD MONEY

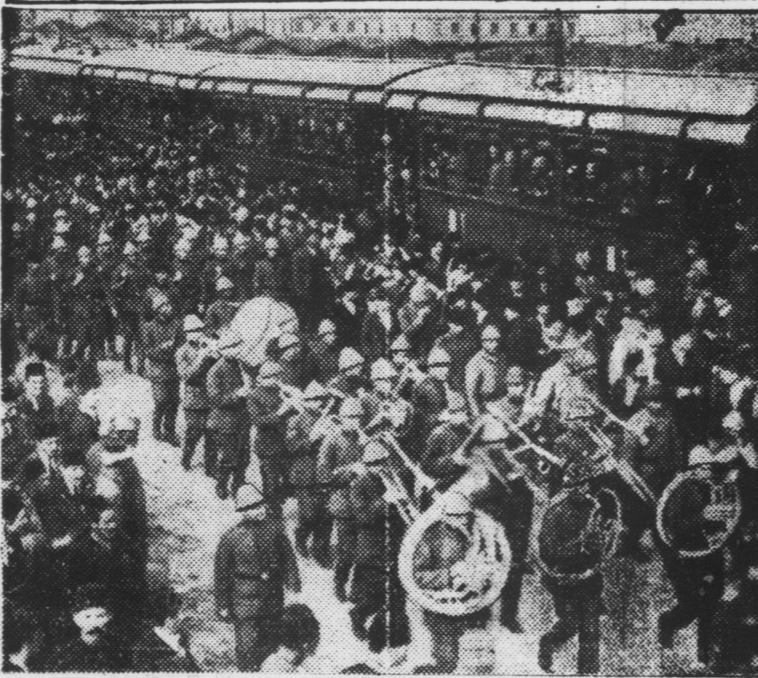
Want to Dig More Deeply into Highway Funds To Get Cash for Their Purposes; Bills Must Be Made To Appear To Balance Before Being Reported

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

Raleigh, March 8.—The "free spenders" are in control of both the appropriations and finance committees and are deliberately inflating both beyond the amount of revenue which can be obtained in order to compel diversion of at least \$2,000,000 a year, and, if possible, \$3,000,000 a year of highway revenue into the general fund in the opinion of the older and more experienced members of the General Assembly. These observers are convinced that a deliberate effort is being made to keep the total of the appropriations bill at least \$1,500,000 greater than the maximum the revenue bill in order to compel the assembly to dip into the highway revenue. They also believe that some of the members of the finance committee

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Turks Rise in New War Crisis



Mobilization of Turkish troops along Greek frontier (1) to repel expected influx of refugees from Greek revolution, is latest danger to European peace to arise. Meanwhile, Italy is continuing to rush troops (2) to Africa, despite establishment of neutral zone along controversial Ethiopian frontier; France is sending naval forces (3) to Greece to "protect interests"; (4) New move to restore Hapsburgs to Hungarian throne is agitating Yugoslavia, Roumania and Czechoslovakia; (5) Ukrainian revolt plot affecting Russia and Poland is denounced in Polish parliament. (Central Press)

Old Age Pension Program Will Be Offered Tuesday

Under Its Terms State Would Pay Those Over 65 Years of Age \$15 Monthly if Their Income Is Less Than \$300 and They Have no One To Support Them

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY C. A. PAUL.

Raleigh, March 8.—A specific old-age benefit bill will be presented to the North Carolina Senate next Tuesday. The bill, the first definite move toward "old age pensions" for aged North Carolinians, will be introduced by Senators Frink, of Brunswick, and Browning, of Swain, and will call for a maximum payment of \$15 monthly to persons 65 years of age or older provided that their income does not amount to as much as \$300 annually.

The Federal census of 1930 shows that there were 115,671 persons in the State who were 65 or older. More than \$17,000,000 annually would be required if all those coming within the age limit were eligible for aid. It is assumed, of course, that a great number would be excluded by the terms of the bill.

Not every beneficiary under the bill would receive the maximum \$15 monthly payment. Any person receiving benefits under the bill would

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United Drys Doubtful Of Liquor Bill

Will Bring Tremendous Pressure on Legislators To Influence Their Votes

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Raleigh, March 8.—The United Dry Forces are getting worried about the Hill bill. At the beginning of the present legislative session and up until a few days ago they had been confident that the state dry law would not be modified. The temporary defeat of the beer bill in the lower house renewed their courage.

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PROGRESSIVES AT GRIPS WITH F. D. R.

Issue of Farley Cannot Much Longer Be Put Off By Administration

By LESLIE EICHEL, Central Press Staff Writer

New York, March 8.—President Roosevelt finds himself at grips with the progressives on an increasing number of issues. A few are listed: Prevailing Wage: The immediate contest is over "the prevailing wage" for public works as against "a security wage" of \$50 a month. Supporting the president on this may cause the defeat of some senators in the

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair, somewhat colder in east and central portions tonight; Saturday cloudy, followed by rain Saturday night and probably in southwest and extreme west portions in afternoon; slightly warmer in extreme southwest portion Saturday.

INVESTIGATION OF PRISON PRACTICES ORDERED BY HOUSE

Morganton Insane Asylum Conditions To Be Looked Into by Special Committee Also

FUNDS ARE VOTED FOR BOTH PROBES

Mitchell, of Wake, Asks Restoration of Pay Cuts of State Employees in 1932-33; More Local Legislation Passed Than On Any Other Day Thus Far

Raleigh, March 8.—(AP)—Two legislative investigations of alleged bad conditions in penal and charitable institutions of the State were authorized by the legislature today after the House had been told the biennial appropriations bill will not be ready until Monday.

The Senate added its approval to a House bill appropriating \$500 and cloaking the penal institutions committee with judicial power to investigate allegations of mistreatment of convicts in Mecklenburg county. The penal group decided to press on this afternoon with the probe it started last night.

On the other side of the Capitol the House passed a Senate resolution to

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Huey Long Seeks Some Support In South Carolina

Washington, March 8 (AP)—Huey Long today had added South Carolina as well as North Carolina to the list of states in which he may seek to become a political factor.

So far no personalities are involved in his contemplated mission to Columbia to address a "share the wealth" meeting March 23.

Personalities are distinctly involved in his threat to go to North Carolina, however. Long is at dagger points with Senator Bailey of that State, and has prophesied that Bailey will not be re-elected.

CANNON INTERVENES IN REYNOLDS SNARL

Father of Anne Objects To Plan for Disposing of Smith's Fortune

Winston-Salem, March 8 (AP)—J. F. Cannon, of Concord, today intervened in the Smith Reynolds estate litigation with the declaration that he opposed the proposed settlement of the legacy because, among other reasons, the Federal government might tax the inheritance \$13,000,000.

With his reply, Cannon filed an affidavit by a nurse who attended his daughter, Anne, Cannon Reynolds Smith, during her illness in Reno. The affidavit was filed to buttress Cannon's contention that his daughter was not normal when the divorce from Reynolds was obtained.

May Finance Rural Homes Over South

Southern Congressmen To Seek Huge Fund for Duplications of Penderlea

Washington, March 8.—(AP)—A movement to set up a Federal agency for financing model self-liquidating rural communities in the South was reported under way today by members of Congress from that area. Representative Fulmer, Democrat, South Carolina, chairman of a congressional committee of southerners working for the plan said a bill soon

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RICHBERG OUTLINES NUMBER OF WORKERS INVOLVED WITH NRA

He Still Can Smile



President Roosevelt This excellent photograph of President Roosevelt, made during a recent social gathering, portrays that happy smile still adorning the chief executive's features after two years in office.

STREET RAIL MEN STRIKE IN HAVANA AS FRESH THREAT

Employees of Six Government Departments Also Quit, With Others Soon To Follow

TELEGRAPHERS ARE REFUSING TO WORK

Newspaper Workers To Leave Jobs on All Papers but One After Today; Censorship Rigidly Enforced; Mendieta Regime Faces Difficult Times Ahead

Havana, March 8.—(AP)—Havana's street railway workers went on strike today, swelling the ranks of the Mendieta regime's militant opponents and paralyzing the capital's primary transportation system.

Employees of six government departments—treasury, labor, commerce, communications, education and public health—also deserted their positions and others were expected to follow.

A group of government telegraphers whom soldiers forced to remain at their posts declined to send or receive messages.

Soon after the street railway work-

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COTTON EXEMPTION PLAN IS APPROVED

Washington, March 8 (AP)—The House Agriculture Committee today approved the Dosey bill to exempt tenants and share croppers, as well as land owners, producing two bales of cotton from the tax under the Bankhead control act. The Agriculture Adjustment Administration had already issued exemptions for the small land owners.

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Eight Services Codes Affecting Nearly 2,000,000 Employees Virtually Suspended

STRATEGY PLANNED FOR RELIEF FIGHT

Prevailing Wage Amendment Again Bone of Contention in Senate Fight; Home Owners Loan Borrowings Before House; Final Tribute Paid Holmes

Washington, March 8.—(AP)—The number of working millions involved in NRA's past and future occupied a Senate committee today as the administration pushed strategy for the impending struggle over the \$4,800,000,000 work-relief bill.

Donald R. Richberg, the recovery coordinator, under cross-examination by the Senate finance group, listed eight service industry codes affecting nearly 2,000,000 employees as already virtually suspended by administrative NRA action.

The Senate was still occupied with the big war supply bill, but before the day was over expected to clash again over the work-relief issue, with the McCarran prevailing wage amendment again the chief bone of contention.

Extension of the Home Owners Loan Corporation borrowing powers was the business of the House.

President Roosevelt joined other high officials of the government in paying final tribute to the late Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes of the Supreme Court. His burial place was the Arlington National Cemetery, resting ground of other Civil War veterans.

Other developments: Secretary Ickes ordered the Shell Oil Company to recognize five unions as the collective bargaining agent for all employees in California.

An investigation to determine whether various Canadian distillers had evaded import duties on liquor shipments to this country during the pro-

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Ex-Magistrate Is Electrocuted for Poisoning of Four

Tucker Prison Farm, Ark., March 8.—(AP)—Mark H. Shank, 43, former Ohio magistrate, died in the electric chair at 7:14 a. m. today for poisoning of a family of four in Saline county, Arkansas, in August, 1933.

Before 50 persons who jammed the electrocution chamber, Shank maintained to the end that calm indifference which marked his residence of more than a year in a condemned cell.

He was convicted late in 1933 for the murder of Alvin Colley, professional associate, who with Mrs. Colley and two Colley children died after drinking poison grape juice, which Shanks served at an picnic lunch.

Idle Codes Enumerated By Richberg

Recovery Official Cross-Examined by Senate Committee on Reorganization

Washington, March 8.—(AP)—Donald R. Richberg listed to the Senate Finance Committee today a number of codes which have been partially or entirely suspended, but left up to Congress the decision as to which should be permanently dropped in the new plan to limit codification to industries in interstate commerce.

The recovery coordinator said he would not attempt to decide where the lines should be drawn, but would divide the codes into groups according to their relationship to interstate commerce.

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