

LONG'S PROPOSAL ON RELIEF BILL SMOTHERED

Hill Liquor Bill Sent To Finance Committee By Senate

SPENDING BILL IS OFFERED IN HOUSE AS DEBATE OPENS

Appropriations and Revenue Measures Both on Calendar for Night Session Tonight

LIQUOR BILL WAITS REVENUE MEASURES

Will Be Held In Finance Committee Until It Becomes Evident Sufficient Money Can Be Raised In No Other Way Than By Liquor Tax

Raleigh, March 14.—(AP)—The Hill bill proposing the establishment of a state system of liquor stores was referred to the Senate Finance Committee this afternoon on motion of its sponsors after two long sessions of Senate debate on the measure.

Senator Folger, of Surry, made the motion to send the bill to the taxing group after Senator Gravelly, of Nash, had offered an amendment to put revenues from the proposed stores into the state general fund instead of segregating them for welfare and relief purposes.

The move to send the measure to the finance group was understood to have been taken by proponents of the bill to hold it there until the revenue bill, which is short of the proposed appropriations, is under consideration.

Senator Teague, of Wayne, a dry opposed the re-reference and sought to adjourn the Senate but was voted down 26 to 21.

Immediately after sending the bill to the committee, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow without having passed the bill. It heard nearly three hours of debate on the bill.

The biennial appropriations bill was reported to the House today by Re-

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27 Children Hurt When Cattle Truck Hits School Truck

Jackson, Tenn., March 14.—(AP)—Twenty-seven children were injured today when a school bus overturned nine miles south of Jackson.

A truck loaded with livestock crashed into the rear of the truck and both vehicles tumbled down a 20-foot embankment. Some of the children were seriously injured.

The 27 injured, most of them suffering from cuts and bruises, were brought to hospitals here in five ambulances. All probably will recover. The accident occurred at 8:30 a. m. There were about 40 children in all in the bus. Some escaped without being scratched.

Revenue Bill May Come Up Next Monday

House Probably Won't Tackle Money Measure Before First of Week

Raleigh, March 14.—The revenue bill is in the House at last—but not out. No one is attempting to predict when the House will finish its consideration of the money-raising measure, much less when it will be completed by the Senate. But the prevailing opinion is that the House will spend at least two weeks on the bill, if not longer.

The measure was reported Wednesday afternoon by Chairman Gregg Cherry, of the finance group, and it is now on the calendar. It cannot be taken up, however, until the printed copies of the bill, cover-

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Reenacting Tragic Game



Robert Dobryzinski shows how other boys who were playing "cowboy and injun" at Brockton, Mass., tied him and playmate Edward Smith to tree and started brush fire around them, in emulation of savage captives being "burned at stake." Wind caused clothing of Smith boy to ignite and he was burned fatally before flames could reach him.

Dividend Tax May Raise \$1,100,000

New Tax Policy For State and Is Expected To Be Approved by Legislature; Graduated Basis for Domestic Stocks, Flat Six Percent on Foreign

Raleigh, March 14.—The stock dividend tax incorporated in the revenue bill now before the lower house of the legislature is a new departure in tax-levying in North Carolina insofar as domestic stocks are concerned. There is no change in the levy against dividends from stocks in foreign corporations.

Under present law dividends from stock in domestic North Carolina chartered corporations are specifically exempt from taxation. The theory behind the exemption is that the corporation itself pays an income tax. Thus, say opponents of the new levy, to tax dividends after they have reached the hands of the stockholder would be double taxation because the corporation pays the tax.

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ROADS COMMITTEE KILLS MANY BILLS

May Approve Highway Request for Limitation Upon Heavy Trucks

Raleigh, March 14.—The joint legislative roads committee went on a bill-killing spree at its first meeting in several weeks. It killed in rapid succession two bills by Representative Cooper, of New Hanover, which would have given automobile license buyers 30 days of grace at the beginning of the new license year and prescribe an 8-hour day for highway employees a bill by Representatives Ervin, Scholl and Tonissen of Mecklenburg, which would have required all automobiles sold in the State after next January 1 to be equipped with safety glass throughout, a similar bill by Representative Klutz, of Catawba, which would have required school buses and public passenger vehicles to be so equipped, and a bill to require the highway department to maintain all roads over which rural mail routes extended.

Reported favorably was the highway commission's bill introduced by Senate Roads Chairman Spence.

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Billions Dominated By Thirty Men!

The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. has assets of nearly five billion dollars, with a vast number of investors, yet the huge organization with its great wealth is completely dominated by 30 men. The second installment of the absorbing story of the world's largest corporation appears today.

STRONG MOVES TO REDUCE SALES TAX TO 2 PCNT. BEGUN

Proponents Said To Need Less Than Dozen More Votes To Have Majority

WOULD PUT BUDGET OUT OF ALIGNMENT

Might Throw It Out of Joint By Three Million Dollars; Anti-Sales Taxers Expected To Attempt To Put Their Measures Across On Floor

Raleigh, March 14.—A strong effort is being made among house members to reduce the sales tax rate from three per cent to two per cent, and at the present time those interested in this move need to get only from eight to ten more votes to get a majority, it was learned from a reliable source today.

The backers of this move maintain there are at least 20 members of the House who will not vote for the three per cent sales tax under any conditions but who will vote for the two per cent levy. Most of these are conceded to be former anti-sales tax members who now realize that there is no possibility of removing the sales tax entirely, but who will not vote for a sales tax of more than two per cent.

The contention of the group backing the two per cent sales tax move is that with the exemptions removed and with the tax applied to meal checks in restaurants, cafes, hotel dining rooms and even to hotel room charges, the two per cent sales tax will bring in a great deal more than the present three per cent sales tax is yielding. They also maintain that if the Revenue Department will increase

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"De Lawd", Leader Of Play, Dead

New York, March 14 (AP)—Richard Berry Harrison, who appeared in the role of "De Lawd" in "The Green Pastures," died at 8:20 a. m. today in the Fifth Avenue hospital.

Death resulted from a paralytic stroke suffered on March 2 as he prepared for a matinee performance in his dressing room. He was 70 years old.

Harrison, Canadian-born son of former slaves, was snatched from obscurity at 66 to become the star of one of the most successful plays of the American theatre. In the five years he starred in the play, never missing a performance until stricken as he

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Wage, Hours An Essential Of The NRA

Clay Williams Tells Senate Committee That Is Fundamental Principle

Washington, March 14.—(AP)—S. Clay Williams, chairman of the National Recovery Board, today termed control of minimum wages and maximum hours the "fundamental" principle of NRA.

He was the second witness in the Senate Finance Committee's investigation of NRA's code structure, and testified before a full committee room

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GRUESOME STORIES OF CONVICT CAMPS WILL BE PRESSED

Legislative Committee Will Go to Bottom of Deaths Resulting From Confinement

BURIAL IN SECRET GRAVES IS ALLEGED

Some Prisoners Reported To Have Escaped Said To Have Died from Horrible Treatment and Thus Disappeared; Legislative Group Thoroughly Aroused

Raleigh, March 14 (AP)—The legislature's committee on penal institutions prepared today to try to establish or disprove testimony given in Charlotte yesterday that convicts have died from being chained in solitary confinement and being buried in unmarked graves under the cover of darkness at night.

"We learned some very astounding things, and we will follow up every lead," Representative R. E. Sentelle, of Brunswick, chairman of the House committee, said this morning. Asked if he believed there was any truth in the testimony of a Negro former convict that prisoners who died shortly after they came out of solitary confinement were buried in secret holes at night in the section between Boone and Blowing Rock in 1930, Sentelle replied:

"I am rather inclined to believe there was some basis of fact in his story. Of course, the weight of the

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Auto Tags Costs Are To Be Cut

Raleigh, March 14.—Cheaper automobile licenses for the owners of the smaller, lighter weight cars will result if the bill reported favorably by the joint committee on roads is enacted.

The bill as amended by the committee will make the minimum license \$9 a year instead of \$12.50 a year as at present, but will reduce the licensing base only five cents per 100 pounds, or from 55 cents per 100 to 50 cents per hundred. The original bill as introduced by Senator White, of Robeson county, would have made the minimum price of licenses \$9 and reduced the licensing base rate from 55 cents to 40 cents per 100 pounds.

The bill if passed in this form, will reduce the expected highway revenue \$530,000 a year if based on this year's license sales, and \$620,000 a year if based on the estimated sales for next year, according to Chairman C. W. Tatem, of the House Roads Committee. The reduction in revenue would have amounted to at least \$1,500,000 a year if the bill had been approved as introduced, reducing the licensing base rate from 55 cents to 40 cents per 100 pounds.

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Tobacco Grading Bill Is Now In Committee Hands

Flannagan, Its Author, To Resist Changes That Would Nullify It, But Willing for Government To Pay for Service; Hits at Opponents of the Measure

Washington, March 14 (AP)—After four lengthy public hearings, the Flannagan bill to provide compulsory Federal tobacco inspection and grading, today was in the hands of a House Agriculture sub-committee for action.

Marking conclusion of the hearing last night was an assertion by Representative Flannagan, Democrat, Virginia, that his bill had been "unqualifiedly endorsed" by Secretary Wallace of the Agriculture Department.

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Huge Sum To Aid College Students Heavily Defeated

Under Suspicion



Christopher Stephens, Philadelphian who has been on visit in Greece with his family, is declared in reports to be under suspicion of having financed the Greek revolution. Relatives in Philadelphia deny it.

(Central Press)

JAP WITHDRAWAL IS MILDLY DISCOUNTED

British Admiralty Head Tells Commons He Hopes For Arms Meeting

WON'T CUT ANY MORE

Britain Has Slashed Her Strength At Sea by Nearly Half Since 1914; United States Gains Fifth Japan Third

London, March 14.—(AP)—Sir Bolton Eyres-Monsell, first lord of the British Admiralty, told the House of Commons today that Great Britain was disappointed by Japan's renunciation of the Washington naval treaty of 1922, but there was no need to treat the situation "too tragically."

Sir Bolton said he hoped a naval conference would be held this year, and introduced the government's

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PREPARE DECREE IN REYNOLDS' HEARING

Winston-Salem, March 14.—(AP)—The hearing on settlement of Smith Reynolds' \$30,000,000 trust estate was recessed this morning until 2:30 p. m. to permit attorneys to confer on the form of decree to be submitted to Judge Clayton Moore.

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Administration Contends Funds Already Given Cause and President Can Allot More

ALL FACTIONS ARE SPLIT UPON VOTE

Treasury Calls First Liberty Loan Bonds; Labor Urges Wagner Bill To Prevent Strikes; Utilities Regulation Stoutly Opposed By Corporation Man

Washington, March 14.—(AP)—The Senate today rejected an amendment to the \$4,880,000,000 relief bill by Senator Long, Democrat, Louisiana, proposing an allowance up to \$100,000,000 to give needy youth a college or other educational training.

The vote against the Long amendment was 58 to 27.

The Louisianaan previously had lost, 75 to 5, a similar amendment providing a billion dollars.

Administration forces contended the Emergency Relief Administration already had advanced \$100,000 for educational purposes and the President could use any part of the pending appropriation for that purpose.

All factions split on the vote, even three Republican independents. Eighteen Republicans and nine Democrats voted for the Long amendment, fifty-two Democrats, five Republicans, and LaFollette, Progressive, Wisconsin, voted against it.

From its appropriations committee, the House received and began a debate on the \$118,112,878 supply bill for running the Department of Agriculture during the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Blocks down Pennsylvania Avenue from the busy Capitol Secretary Morgenthau called for payment June 15 the entire issue of the Treasury's outstanding first Liberty Loan bonds—an aggregate of \$1,933,000,000.

Before the Munitions committee, James E. Vanzandt, head of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, denounced as "monumental gall" previous testimony against cash payment of the soldiers' bonus, by Eugene C. Grace, president

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1st Liberty Loan Called By Treasury

\$1,933,000,000 Issue To Be Redeemed as Result of Court's Gold Decision

Washington, March 14 (AP)—The Treasury today called for payment on June 15 its entire issue of outstanding first Liberty Loan bonds, aggregating approximately \$1,933,000,000.

This issue, which is of 1932-47 maturity, consists of three series: A total of \$1,392,226,250 bearing interest at the rate of 3 1/2 percent; \$5,002,450 of converted four percent bonds, and \$535,981,250 of converted 4 1/2 percent bonds.

The administration's determination to refund more of the outstanding gold clause bonds was not a surprise to financial quarters. While a saved the chief objective, the Treasury in interest charges was considered had been expected to retire all gold clause bonds as rapidly as possible, in view of the Supreme Court decision that government abrogation of gold payments on these securities was invalid.

It was not learned immediately what securities would be offered in exchange for the so-called first Liberties, but recently the Treasury refunded a portion of its Fourth Liberty 4 1/2's, with an off issue of 20-25-year 2 7/8 percent bonds, the lowest in the nation for long-time paper securities in memory of the present Treasury personnel.

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair, slightly colder in east portion; possibly light frost in central and west portions tonight; Friday fair, slowly rising temperature in the interior.