

BORAH IS SEEKING CANDIDACY PLEDGE ONLY AS LIBERAL

Primary Purpose, Idaho Senator Says, Is Convention Wholly of Liberal Delegates.

HE WOULD SUPPORT ANOTHER CANDIDATE

But Such Aspirant Would Have to Meet His Test as Liberal; Has Tentatively Agreed to Make Speech in Raleigh and Also in Cleveland Next Spring.

Washington, Dec. 20 (AP)—Senator Borah of Idaho formally declared today his 1936 objective was a liberal Republican platform and said he would cooperate fully with plans of any progressive groups endeavoring to line up convention delegates pledged to his own candidacy.

My primary objective, Borah said in a formal statement, "is a convention of liberal delegates, which will write a liberal platform and make a liberal candidate. To that end I shall devote my efforts."

"If in any state or district the liberal forces think it will help the liberal cause to pledge the delegates to me, I shall cooperate fully with that plan. If, however, it is thought better to pledge the delegates to some other liberal, I shall cooperate just as fully. In other words, inflexible as to the objective, flexible as to the tactics."

Borah added as he saw the political situation in this country, "Man would be seeking political immolation to take a nomination upon any other than a liberal platform."

In handing his brief statement to an interviewer, Senator Borah indicated that he would be making a formal announcement of his candidacy as he would make before the Republican convention meets at Cleveland June 9.

Borah has under consideration a host of requests for speeches in the East, Middle West and South. He tentatively has promised to make speeches in Cleveland and Raleigh, N. C.

Johnston Murder Case Given Jury On Insanity Plea

Smithfield, Dec. 20.—(AP)—A jury of Johnston county farmers at 11:25 a. m. today started deliberations in the case of Marvin Batten, 29-year-old farmer, who is charged with the killing last Friday of Mrs. Lydia Daughtry, Selma divorcee.

Judge Marshall T. Speaks, charged the jury it could return any one of three verdicts: guilty of murder in the first degree; guilty of murder in the second degree, or not guilty.

Batten, a married man, was represented to the jury by his counsel as having been insane at the time of the shooting.

Paul D. Grady, president pro-tempore of the State Senate, and seeking the lieutenant governorship, closed the arguments to the jury, speaking for the defense. His contentions followed closely those presented last Tuesday by W. L. Godwin, mayor of Selma, and other members of court-appointed counsel for the defense. It was argued that Batten's actions were not those of a sane man. Batten had freely admitted to officers he shot Mrs. Daughtry, and since the killing has contended his trial is a "waste of money."

Employment Goal All But Attained, Hopkins Declares

"Black Jack" Today



He's 75 now, but Gen. John J. Pershing is still as stalwart in appearance as ever. He's seen at White House after calling on President.

STATES NOT ABLE TO HANDLE RELIEF

Mirror Politicians Helpless Before This Major Crisis Of Nation.

OHIO IS AN EXAMPLE

And If States Cannot Cope With Relief Emergency, How Can They Deal With Utilities, Critics Are Asking

Cleveland, Dec. 20.—How wholly unprepared the states are to take care of unemployment is exemplified in Ohio. Here the legislature and the governor play politics with relief—and the destitute suffer. Last year Governor Martin L. Davey was charging the federal government with domineering and interfering. This year, when the government ceases to "domineer" or "interfere," in other words when it ceases to bear Ohio's relief burden and ceases to dictate that the money shall go to the needy without politicians dictating the distribution, the federal government is attacked for giving up the burden.

It probably is the same in many other states. Relief is a problem beyond the states.

If that be the case, say students of government, then so too are many other of the major acts for the betterment of the people.

For example, how can the huge inland counties, and the State itself must have this legislation. The old age pensions are specially needed, dependent mothers must have help, the State is paying an immense amount of taxes into the Federal government regardless of what comes back, and the local units of government need something to lift the pressure from them.

Special Session Advocated By Candidates For Governor

Categorical Commitments by McDonald and Graham and Hoey's Friends Say He is Favorable to Idea; Ehringhaus Fears Wreckage Of Tax Structure

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Hoey Favorable. Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham has declared quite as definitely as Dr. McDonald has for this special session. Clyde R. Hoey, has not, but he is represented by people who should know his views as favorable to such a session. Dr. McDonald made a special trip to Raleigh some months ago to urge Governor Ehringhaus to

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NEARLY A BILLION DOLLARS UNSPENT

But It Will be Needed To Carry Out Heavy Works Projects Already Launched During This and Previous Years; 37,287 Jobs Made in North Carolina.

Washington, Dec. 20 (AP)—Revised employment figures issued by Harry L. Hopkins today numbered jobs supplied by the \$4,000,000,000 works program at 3,476,782, as of the week beginning December 9.

Relief sources previously had indicated that approximately \$900,000,000 would be untouched at the end of the fiscal year June 30.

But it was generally understood that the bulk of this balance would be needed to carry on heavy public works projects already begun by this year's and previous appropriations.

Hopkins said his Works Progress administration employed 2,678,629, the Civilian Conservation Corps 531,295, and projects of other Federal agencies, 266,858.

Officials reiterated that the 3,476,782 figure represented "substantial" achievement of the goal.

WPA employment by States included: North Carolina, 37,287.

Milne Kidnapers Sought in Region Near Philadelphia

Doylstown, Pa., Dec. 20 (AP)—Eight manhunters of the Department of Justice centered their search for the kidnapers of Caleb Milne IV in the Philadelphia area today.

While G-Men all over the country have been asked to aid in the search, the detail specially picked by the head quarters in Washington was reported convinced the abductors are somewhere in eastern Pennsylvania.

A ramshackle farm house and another property not far from Doylstown was the center of scrutiny as the result of a rambling, broken story of abduction and torture told the agents by the young actor-mystery writer in a hospital last night.

Investigators are to question him again today.

With his physical condition improving and his mind clearing, they hope he will be able to supply them with new details of how he was lured from New York last Saturday and left trussed and dazed in a road Wednesday night.

Authorities in New York rejected the idea that Milne was the victim of Alvin Karpis, "public enemy No. 1."

One official said Karpis "must be pretty mad about being mentioned in this thing. He is a master craftsman. This was a bad job, probably the work of an amateur."

Another spokesman said authorities have a "pretty good idea" as to the identity of the kidnapers.

DRYS SEE CHANCE TO HOLD FRANKLIN

County Votes Monday On Legalizing of County Liquor Store.

The courts gave Franklin a setback when the tide seemed to be with the drys. They had made a better fight than the wets had and appeared to be on the go. But they sought a restraining order to prevent the election and got it. But it was not the right remedy the Supreme Court held. Meanwhile the adjoining counties opened their stores, some tax relief was seen and the swing of the earlier activity had died out. A new campaign was necessary and the wets with a half-court support went with more heart into this one.

If the wets carry the county, no the drys will be opened before the new year. Counsel for the commissioners thought it unwise to bid for the holiday trade. Franklin has sold its tobacco and cotton crop and there will be available much less money than

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Defending the TVA



John Lord O'Brien, assistant attorney general who is defending the Tennessee Valley Authority Act before the U. S. Supreme Court, is a Hoover appointee.

PERSONNEL OF NRA IS TO BE ABSORBED BY OTHER BUREAUS

President Reveals Plans That Are Now Being Worked Out, Withholds Details

DIVIDE FUNCTIONS WITH OTHER UNITS

Set-Up is Only for Balance Of NRA's Life, or For Period From Now Until April; Two or Three Government Agencies To Share Duties.

Washington, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The administration is working out plans for transferring the expiring NRA organization to two or three established government agencies, but details have not been finally determined.

President Roosevelt said at his regular press conference today that plans were being considered to transfer NRA to various departments, dividing its functions among them.

He explained that the plan was only for the balance of NRA's life or for the period from now until April.

But he said details were still to be worked out.

62 ALLEGED RIOTERS AT PELZER ACQUITTED

Anderson, S. C., Dec. 20 (AP)—Sixty-two persons charged with rioting at the Pelzer Manufacturing Company plant at Pelzer last September 2, when one woman was killed during intense but short-lived gunfire, were acquitted by a jury in general sessions court here today after overnight deliberations.

GILLIAM IS TALKED AS KERR OPPONENT

Tarboro Solicitor May Race Warrenton Man For Congress Post.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Six Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Dec. 20.—Second district here yesterday and the day before say that early in January Solicitor Don Gilliam is going to announce his candidacy for Congress against John H. Kerr, incumbent, and A. O. Dickens, Wilson lawyer who has entered the race against Mr. Kerr.

Solicitor Gilliam is represented as being less excited over this prospect than any of his proponents. But the presence here of Congressman Kerr Wednesday did nothing to abate the

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Britain Is Seeking To Forge Ring Of Steel About Italy

Trying to Mobilize Other Nations in League to Meet Possible Attack in the East.

IRONCLAD PLEDGES ARE BEING ASKED

Assumption is That Potential Allies Are all Mediterranean Power; League Circles at Geneva Enthusiastically Hail Breakdown of Peace Plan.

(By The Associated Press)

The British government, abandoning the Franco-British plan for peace between Italy and Ethiopia, was described in London today as trying to mobilize other members of the League of Nations to meet a possible attack by Italy.

This disclosure from a high British source indicated that British envoys were already attempting to gain ironclad guarantees from other nations of support in case of military hostilities.

Although the potential allies were not named, it was assumed that they were all Mediterranean powers.

Prime Minister Baldwin's success negotiation of a stormy parliamentary sea was followed by an official announcement in Paris that the head of the French government, Premier Laval, also would remain in office.

The possibility that the Italian government might attempt to place both Great Britain and France in an embarrassing diplomatic position was indicated by a spokesman for the government at Rome.

He said Italy still regards Great Britain and France as bound by the

Johnston Man Is Sentenced To Die In Lethal House

Smithfield, Dec. 20 (AP)—Marvin Batten, who killed Mrs. Lydia Daughtry, of Selma, on the evening of Friday, December 13, this afternoon was convicted of first degree murder in Johnston County Superior Court and was sentenced to die in the lethal gas chamber at Raleigh on Friday, March 13, next.

Temporary Set-Up In South Carolina Road Muddle Seen

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 20 (AP)—Both branches of the South Carolina legislature today sought measures to set up a temporary control of the State Highway Department as Governor Olin Johnston ordered the withdrawal of troops, who have held the road bureau since October 28.

A report of a joint committee that the governor had consented, after negotiations, to demobilize the National Guard, sped action in both branches in hopes of ending the special highway session this week-end.

MICHIGAN RESULT HAS 'EM GUESSING

Townsendite Doctrine May Be Permeating Faster Than Thought.

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"Mercy" Nurse



Marie Sevigny

Pending determination of her mental condition, Marie Sevigny, above, 26-year-old "mercy death" nurse, was held without bail at Woonsocket, R. I., charged with murder. According to police, Miss Sevigny confessed she killed a woman patient to end her suffering. Deaths of other patients she attended are being investigated.

SENATOR SCHALL IS STILL UNCONSCIOUS

Minnesota Republican Solon Struck by Automobile in Washington.

VERY CRITICALLY ILL

Suffers Fractured Skull, Compound Fracture of Left Leg and Internal Injuries in Accident at Capital

Washington, Dec. 20 (AP)—Senator Thomas D. Schall, Republican of Minnesota, was reported in a "critical condition" at 10:45 a. m. today after a consultation of physicians on injuries received last night when struck by an automobile.

The senator was still unconscious more than 15 hours after the accident.

The examination this morning disclosed that he had suffered a fractured skull, a compound fracture of the left leg and internal injuries.

KIDNAP THREATS IN TODD DEATH HEARD

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 20.—(AP)—Kidnap threats against the head waiter of the Hollywood club, where Thelma Todd suddenly dropped from gaily and left a party to go to her death, threw a sinister riddle today on the heels of a hint the actress may have been slain.

MILITARY FORCES UNDER CONTROL OF LEAGUE INTIMATED

Members May be Asked to Contribute Fighting Units As Protection to Covenant.

NOT INTENDED FOR DRIVE UPON ITALY

Would Merely Assure Great Britain She Was Not Acting Alone in Concentrating Her Fleet in Mediterranean Action Permissible Under Article XVI.

Geneva, Dec. 20 (AP)—The suggestion was advanced in international circles today, following the lead of Prime Minister Baldwin of Great Britain, that the League of Nations Council should consider asking League members to contribute fighting units to a League military force.

This military force, which could include land, sea and air forces, would be used for the protection of the League covenant.

Sources which disclosed the suggestion explained that the League force would not be intended for aggressive purposes against Italy, but would merely assure Great Britain she was not acting alone in the Mediterranean through her fleet concentration.

Such action is permissible under Article XVI of the League covenant, under which the League imposed economic and financial sanctions against Italy.

The suggestion prevailed in certain quarters, however, that the suggestion would not be followed up.

Kidnaping Threats Given Grand Jury In Todd Inquiries

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 20 (AP)—Kidnap threats and a new report that Thelma Todd was seen alive after an autopsy indicated she had died complicated the grand jury's investigation of the death of the glamorous screen actress today.

A woman who identified herself only as Mrs. Kane, telephoned police headquarters she saw Miss Todd telephoning from a drug store Sunday afternoon nearly 12 hours after the time autopsy surgeons at first believed the actress died.

DR. BASKERVILL, 80, DIES AT KNOXVILLE

Father of Dispatch's Raleigh Correspondent Was Retired Minister and Editor

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 20 (AP)—The Rev. George Sumner Baskervill, D. D., 80-year-old retired Presbyterian minister and educator, died at his home here at 11:55 last night after a critical illness of several weeks.

Survivors include a son, John C. Baskervill, manager of the Raleigh Bureau of the North Carolina Association of Afternoon Newspapers.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy, colder, hard freeze tonight; Saturday fair, but not quite so cold in extreme west.

Treaty With Canada Is Most Significant Move

Babson Says It May Mean Turning Point Away From Narrow Nationalism; World Commerce Must be Unfettered if Conditions Are to Reach Normal

By ROGER W. BABSON (Copyright 1935) (Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc.)

Washington, Dec. 20.—Many here in Washington feel that the foreign tangle is the darkest cloud on the business horizon at the present time. Domestic recovery has come along in good shape, but the revival can only go so far unless there is a general improvement in all nations. At the moment the world outlook is very spotty. The most encouraging news in recent weeks is the announcement of our trade agreement with Canada.

Lack of Understanding. For the last few months foreign news has taken a good percentage of the headlines. The Italian-British dispute, the French business depression, the Japanese aggression in China, and the League of Nations

sanctions have consumed a lot of white space. Frankly, I am glad that these topics are getting so much attention. The best way to make the various people realize that international cooperation is essential for prosperity is to constantly give uncensored publicity to these episodes. The only hope that nations can settle their differences peacefully is for their citizens to understand clearly each other's problems.

The American people do not pay enough attention to world events and their effect on world trade and domestic prosperity. Very few Americans realize the deflationary effects of the world kick-back to the tariff wall which we built up between 1920 and 1930. origin trade is often dis-

3 shopping days until Christmas. Illustration of a child with a shopping bag.