

BRITISH KING NEAR DEATH

STRENGTH SLOWLY EBBING AWAY FOR ENGLISH MONARCH

Known To Have Been Given for at Least Second Time Since Last Friday

GENERAL SLOWING OF BODY MACHINE

Every Possible Effort Being Made To Conserve King's Strength; Queen and Others Visit Room Less Frequently; Council of State of State Assumes Duties

Sandringham, England, Jan. 20 (AP).—Oxygen was administered to the King George V today and his physicians announced his strength to be "diminishing."

A person in close touch with court circles described the king's slow weakening as a "general slowing up of the body machine."

This is at least the second time oxygen is known to have been given since Friday.

Every effort was being made to conserve the monarch's strength. Even the visitors of Queen Mary and other members of the family to his bedside have been kept as short as possible.

The royal duties were taken over some time before the physicians' announcement by a Council of State, appointed with King George's knowledge.

A bulletin signed by three physicians announced at 5:30 p. m.:

"The condition of the king shows diminishing strength."

One of the members of the new

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Warning Is Given Congress Against Baring Secrecies

Washington, Jan. 20.—(AP)—An implied warning was given the Senate Munitions Committee today that the State Department may discontinue making its confidential files available unless the committee respects confidences imposed by them.

Without referring to the committee by name, the secretary read a statement at his press conference.

He emphasized that the files of the department contained confidential messages from other governments, and that this government could not make public confidential matter without their permission.

"The department has scrupulously kept faith with foreign governments, and in its cooperation with congressional committees has necessarily trusted and relied upon such committees to in turn keep faith with the department."

"The extent to which the State Department can thus cooperate with congressional committees must depend upon the extent to which such committees cooperate with the State Department."

Peace Plans Rumored At League Meet

Ethiopian Drive In North Reported As Diplomats Assemble in Geneva

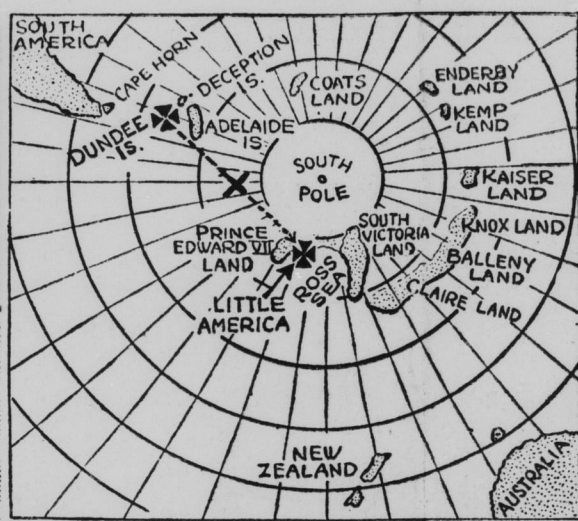
London, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Great Britain has given a broad hint to Premier Mussolini that there is to be no bombing of British Red Cross units in Ethiopia.

(By The Associated Press.) The world's diplomats gathered around the League of Nations council today to discuss the East African war today as Ethiopian government sources predicted a drive to repossess the cities of Makale and Aksum.

The war seminars at Geneva were

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Successful Antarctic Fliers Rescued from Ice



Lincoln Ellsworth and Herbert Hollick-Kenyon, his pilot, are returning to civilization on relief ship *Discovery II* which rescued them from ice at Bay of Whales, 25 miles from the end of their successful expedition across the Antarctic. Map shows route followed on the 2,140 mile flight. (Central Press)

\$12,500,000 Boost For State Budget In 1937 Probable

Last Obstacle To Bonus Is Cleared

Washington, Jan. 20 (AP)—The last major obstacle to passage of the bond payment bonus bill was cleared today with Senate rejection of the King amendment to provide for payment of only the present surrender value of the adjusted service certificates.

The amendment, according to its author, Senator King, Democrat, Utah, would have cost the government more than one billion less than the coalition bill's estimated ultimate cost of \$2,491,000,000.

He contended over nine billion dollars had been spent on World War veterans to date and asserted the bill was not based on "sound ethics."

King's was the only audible "aye" when his substitute was put to a voice vote.

STATE LOST CHANGE AT LIQUOR REVENUE

Counties With Stores Won't Agree in 1937 To Give Them Up

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Star-Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 20.—The State lost its one and only chance to get the profit from the sale of liquor in North Carolina when the 1935 General Assembly refused to pass a Statewide liquor control and liquor stores law, it is now conceded by most observers here. For the county liquor stores are proving so profitable to the 18 counties now operating the stores under the 1935 acts, that the belief in most circles is that it will now be impossible to pass any Statewide liquor control act that will not give at least 50 per cent of the revenue from such stores to the counties in which they are located. Others believe that from now on the counties will insist upon getting all the revenue from the stores, even though they might submit to State control through a single State APC board.

If the 1935 General Assembly had enacted a Statewide liquor control and liquor stores bill, providing that the profits from the sale of liquor in the State stores go into the general fund of the State, it could have assured itself of at least \$3,500,000 a year of additional revenue after the first year, it is now generally conceded. For the 60 or so county liquor stores in 18 counties are now selling

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Schools To Demand and Probably Get \$5,000,000 More, Mostly for Salary Boost

OLD AGE PENSIONS MUST BE PROVIDED

That Will Take Many Millions, Based on \$15 Monthly for 30,000 or More Old People Over 65; Would Match Like Amount in Federal Donations

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Star-Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 20.—Instead of being able to reduce taxes, the 1937 General Assembly will have to find a minimum of \$12,500,000 a year in additional revenue for the general fund alone if appropriations for only two objects are materially increased, these two being schools and old age benefits, it was pointed out here today by those who have been doing some figuring. This means that where the 1935 General Assembly appropriated approximately \$20,000,000 a year for this and next year, that the 1937 General Assembly will have to find revenue with which to provide appropriations of \$12,500,000 a year for the next two years, if it does nothing more than make the normal and necessary increase for regular State purposes and add \$5,000,000 more for schools and for old age pensions.

School Drive Begun

It is already conceded that the

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Laval Plans To Quit Job Wednesday

Paris, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Friends of Premier Laval said today the government leader would submit the resignation of himself and his cabinet to President LeBrun Wednesday.

They said the premier refused to be "led to the (Chamber of Deputies) for sacrifice" on a vote of confidence.

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French Statesmen Fear Results of Resignation and Seek To Avoid Crisis

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No TVA Decision In Supreme Court

Washington, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The Supreme Court entered upon a two weeks recess today without handing down the much-awaited decision on the Tennessee Valley Authority act.

Disappointing a distinguished throng that had gathered in expectation that this last New Deal case was ready for action and would be ruled on, the court spoke its mind on several lesser cases in an eleven-minute session, and then adjourned.

Monday, February 3, became the earliest date on which the immediate future of TVA can be determined.

BLANKET NEUTRAL LAW COULD HURT

Might Work To Distinct Disadvantage of United States Abroad

By LESLIE FICHEL, Central Press Staff Writer

New York, Jan. 20.—Can a blanket neutrality act work against the best interests of the United States?

Yes—in certain instances. At least, so says the Foreign Policy Association, which presents these interesting views of two of its observers, Allen W. Dulles and Hamilton Fish Armstrong:

"The American people may be ready to accept sacrifices of trade and profits where to continue trade would be to risk war. Certainly they should be. But they would not long tolerate a sweeping prohibition applied indiscriminately in situations where its necessity was not obvious. Many cases are conceivable in which a blanket embargo, crippling to our commerce and adding to unemployment, would not serve any directly useful purpose. Often, too, it might work injustice, as countries which had armed themselves to the teeth and which possessed raw materials and industries would automatically be given a decisive advantage over countries less well prepared and less well endowed by nature."

"Let us not forget," add Messrs. Dulles and Armstrong, "that in two parts of the world today forces are in motion which potentially are far more dangerous, so far as the maintenance of American peace goes, than an Italian war in Africa. Those who advocate permanent and mandatory legislation which would obligate the president when hostilities are in progress anywhere to stop the export of all materials susceptible of being useful in military operations, should consider what would be the result of applying it in a conflict where Japan or Germany was a party and the

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Fair tonight and Tuesday; continued cold tonight; slowly rising temperature Tuesday except on north coast.

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Government Asks Re-Hearing Of Processing Tax Decision And Dismissal Cotton Suits

COUNCIL OF STATE IS FORMED TO ACT IN KING'S ILLNESS

British Monarch Is Propped Up In Bed To Attach Signature to Official Document

LITTLE CHANGE IN KING'S CONDITION

Had More Restful Night But Decisive Turn Is Looked for Soon; Queen Mary and Her Four Sons Constitute Emergency Council of State Created

Sandringham, England, Jan. 20.—(AP)—King George V, propped up in bed, signed today a document setting up a Council of State to assume most of the royal duties during His Majesty's grave illness and heart weakness.

The sovereign's privy council, summoned from London, met in an apartment adjoining the royal sick room and appointed the members of the Council of State, while the 70-year-old king entered a possible decisive state of his illness.

It was officially stated that the Council of State consists of Queen Mary and the four royal sons, the Prince of Wales, and the Dukes of York, Gloucester and Kent.

An official bulletin timed 9:45 a. m. (4:5 a. m. eastern standard time), said:

"The king has had a more restful night. There is no substantial change to record in his Majesty's condition."

WET-DRY VIEWS TO BE WEIGHTY

May Influence G. O. P. Votes; Mrs. Roosevelt May Affect Democrats

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Staff Writer

Washington, Jan. 20.—Republican leaders are considering the possibility that wet-and-dry sentiment will weigh appreciably in deciding votes at next November's election.

And Democratic leaders are considering the possibility that Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt's personality will be an issue of some consequence to a certain class of voters. It seems like a ridiculous idea, but not a few political diagnosticians surmise that womanhood, to no small extent, will

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Streams Rise In State After Week-End Storms

Million Dollars Property Damage Estimated for Carolinas as Result of Wind and Rain; Shipping Along Carolina Coast Is Threatened

(By The Associated Press.) Rising streams brought the menace of extensive floods to the Carolinas today in the wake of a wind and rain storm which swirled over the two states yesterday, causing an estimated 1,000,000 property damage.

The rain and the wind were general. No part of the two states escaped. The rainfall at most places measured from two to four inches. Streams, already swollen from the melting of a recent snow, became raging torrents. The damage from the wind was not large in any one place, but hardly a city or hamlet went unscathed. Power lines went down. Trees were torn from their roots, flimsy buildings were destroyed, telephone poles broke, plateglass windows

were smashed.

The coast was whipped by a 50-mile gale, but damage to shipping was relatively small. The 2,468-ton Hungarian freighter *Csikos* went aground in the Cape Fear river, but was expected to be re-floated soon by tugs and a coast guard cutter.

Meanwhile, the coast guard stations along the North Carolina coast, which yesterday wireless she was taking a severe beating 60 miles off Cape Hatteras.

The heaviest rainfall was reported at Winston-Salem, where 4.55 inches were registered—the biggest rainfall in the history of the Winston-Salem Weather Bureau, and at Salisbury the rainfall was registered at 4.23 inches.

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Seriously Ill



KING GEORGE V

HOFFMAN ASSUMES POLICY OF SILENCE

Jersey Governor Will Bide His Time in Hauptmann Case Inquiry

WILD RUMORS AFLOAT

One Is He Will Goad His Enemies Into Demanding Impachment Then Turn Vehemently Upon Them With Demands

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 20.—(AP)—Governor Hoffman today adopted a policy of silence to continue until he is ready in due course to announce his reasons for doubting that Bruno Richard Hauptmann alone kidnaped the Lindbergh baby.

The governor's press aide said that the chief executive would reveal nothing as to developments in his investigation until the proper time.

The aide, William S. Conklin, said he "knew nothing" about the following reports:

That on the kidnap ladder had been found fingerprints corresponding with those of a man suspected by Ellis H. Parker, county detective, and friend

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GOVERNMENT PLEA SEEKS CLARIFYING OF PROCESS LEVY

Supreme Court's Decision Not Attacked, But Declared Contradicting Earlier One

TALMADGE'S SUIT IS GIVEN ANSWER

Bankhead Cotton Control Act at Stake, But No Date Has Been Set for Its Argument; AAA Ruling Is Thought To Have Doomed That New Deal Measure

Washington, Jan. 20 (AP)—The government asked the Supreme Court today for a re-hearing on its decision giving to processors the \$200,000,000 impounded by injunction suits against AAA taxes.

In the case of the Louisiana rice millers, ruled on last Monday, the impounded taxes were ordered returned on the ground they were unconstitutional in the first place.

The request for a new hearing was based on the "pay first and litigate later" principle, which the court had apparently rejected in its decision. The taxes in question had never reached the Treasury.

The government's brief did not attack the Supreme Court opinion but asked for a clarification. It was contended the ruling contradicted an earlier one in a similar case.

The court had held that injunctions to stop collection of processing taxes were valid, despite a Federal law against such injunctions, because these collections were not legal taxes, but "exactions" improperly called taxes.

DISMISSAL OF TALMADGE SUIT IS ASKED IN REPLY

Washington, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Dismissal of a suit filed by Governor

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139 Deaths Result From New Storms

Blizzards in North, Tornadoes in South and High Winds Scourge the Seas

Chicago, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Death reports mounted steadily today in the wake of blizzards in the northern states, tornadoes in the south and high winds on the seas.

At least 139 were known to have perished directly or indirectly as a result of the widespread disturbances. The majority were victims of motor mishaps attributed to poor driving conditions.

Deaths in New Jersey from storm causes were reported at eleven. Seven perished in Michigan, one by freezing, four in fires and two in traffic accidents. A dozen deaths were attributed to the weather in metropolitan New York.

The worst snowstorm of the year put 28,000 men to work digging New York and its suburbs out of eight inches of snow and sleet.

A severe windstorm on the Gulf of Mexico brought death to ten members of an overturned fishing boat crew, and the same fate was feared for 20 others in two other missing boats.

Tornadoes claimed 18 lives in Florida, Georgia, and Alabama. In North Dakota, South Dakota and the Iowa the temperature fell below zero to the twenties, and several other states recorded sub-zero readings.

The coldest spot was Tembia, North Dakota, with 35 below.