

HUNGER, DISEASE, FIRE RAVAGE FLOOD AREA

23 DIE NEAR MIAMI AS BUS TURNS OVER INTO A DEEP CANAL

Only Six of 29 Passengers Aboard Vehicle Reported Escaped From Highway Tragedy

RIGHT FRONT WHEEL OF VEHICLE BREAKS

Big Bus Lurches from Side to Side, Rolls Over Twice and Topples Into Canal That Parallels Highway Through Everglades; Most of Bus Sinks

Miami, Fla., Jan. 25 (AP)—A motor bus overturned in a canal alongside the Tamiami trail about 30 miles west of here today and the Negro porter, Robert Singleton, reported 23 of the 29 passengers were killed.

The police station also received a report 23 had perished. An ambulance driver, returning with four bodies, described the accident as "the worst I ever saw."

Bill Hammond, of Tampa, veteran driver, was brought in with lacerations of the head. Another survivor accompanied him.

Singleton said the right front wheel broke, the big bus lurches from side to side, rolled over twice and toppled into the deep canal, which parallels the highway through the everglades. Only one corner of the bus remained above water.

Jewels Worth \$300,000 Are Turned Over

New York, Jan. 25.—(AP)—An illegally scrawled address on a package wrongly delivered to a four-story warehouse worker led to the discovery of \$300,000 worth of jewels allegedly stolen from Mrs. Frederick Bugher, Washington, D. C., society figure, and widow of a former New York police commissioner, it was disclosed today.

The package of loot was left at the apartment Michael Hanlon, the warehouse worker, and was opened by his small daughter, Marion, 12, in his ab-

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Amendment May Prevent Road Bonds

Advocates of New \$25,000,000 Issue Looking for Loopholes To Dodge

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Raleigh, Jan. 25.—The recently enacted amendment providing that neither the State nor any of its subdivisions may issue bonds in any one year amounting to more than two-thirds of the amount by which their bonded debt was reduced the preceding year, may make it impossible for the State to issue any bonds for additional highway purposes, either county or State roads, it was maintained in some quarters here today.

Looking for Loopholes.

It is understood that Charles Moss, chief counsel for the State Highway

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy and colder tonight and Tuesday, with occasional rains.

Farm Tenant Bill Before Congress

Washington, Jan. 25.—(AP)—The House Agriculture Committee prepared today to tackle proposals to put the American tenant farmer on his feet financially and keep him there.

It will start hearings tomorrow on the Bankhead-Jones farm tenancy bill, a measure that would set up a \$500,000,000 agency to help renters become land owners through extension of long-time low-interest loans.

Representatives of the Department of Agriculture and of farm and share-croppers organizations will be allowed to present their views.

However, committee members looked ahead to the larger problem of how to bring about stabilization of prices, which they agree is needed if the swing to tenancy is to be halted and the "gamble" taken out of farming.

Roosevelt's Plan Waited In Congress

Solons Hesitate To Tackle Major Issues Without Word from President

Washington, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Congress, entering its fourth week, showed a distinct hesitancy today to grapple with the session's major problems, particularly the wage and hour issue, without more definite recommendations from President Roosevelt.

The chief executive talked in general terms about his program in his annual message and in his inaugural address.

Republican House members will meet tonight to chart the minority program.

Since the administration program has not been outlined, they will con-

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HEARING THURSDAY ON MAXIMUM HOURS

State NRA Sought by Advocates, But Sentiment Not Crystallized

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Raleigh, Jan. 25.—First public expression of opinion on a North Carolina NRA will be heard Thursday morning at 10 o'clock when proponents and opponents of a maximum hour bill will appear before the House Committee on Manufacturing, Commerce and Labor.

Introduced by Representative D. Lacy McBryde, of Cumberland, the measure provides for a forty-hour week and an eight-hour day in textile and tobacco manufacturing plants in North Carolina and a 48-hour week in all other places of employment.

Seek State NRA.

Proponents of the measure contend it would bring back to North Carolina the standards of the NRA in respect to hours and that it would place the State well in the forefront in progressive labor legislation. The bill, according to spokesmen for the State Department of Labor, is in line with the labor program of the Roosevelt administration.

Sentiment Not Crystallized.

It provides for certain exceptions for mercantile establishments and for establishments engaged in seasonal activities, but it is otherwise all-embracing and extends to activities to which there is now practically no hour limit in the State—such as editorial and reportorial work on newspapers.

So far there has been no apparent crystallization of sentiment in either house of the assembly either for or against the measure and would be prophets have had little on which to base any forecast of the bill's chances.

Dramatic Rescue of Flu Victim From Flood



One of the most dramatic of flood pictures, showing Cincinnati firemen rescuing an influenza victim, Mrs. Mattie Gerken, from the second story of her flood-bound home.

Legislative Pace Slowing And Members Are Realizing Very Little Has Been Done

Not One Plan Yet Approved To Raise Single Dollar of Revenue for The State

BUDGET MIGHT BE SHORT BY \$5,000,000

Determined Opposition Has Also Arisen Against Tax on Intangibles; Governor Hoey Has Not Yet Made Any Suggestions at All About Revenue

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Raleigh, Jan. 25.—In spite of the heavy schedule of meetings and hearings by the appropriations and finance committees the past two weeks, the work of the General Assembly has slowed up materially and many of the members are just beginning to realize that so far virtually nothing has been accomplished towards solving the biggest problem before it—the "getting of the money where the money is" with which to increase State appropriations by some \$6,000,000 to \$8,000,000 a year. Legislators who before coming here three weeks ago thought tax money grew on trees and that all they would have to do to pick it up was to introduce a few bills,

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'Long Week' Idea 'Gone With Wind'

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Raleigh, Jan. 25.—The legislature's "long week" wherein every one was to work at top speed over the week-ends as well as through the middle appears to have bogged down badly, and there are very clear indications that the solons are about back to old time form.

Saturday saw the most desultory sessions yet, with almost less than nothing done in either House or Senate. And then, to cap the climax, both groups adjourned until 8 p. m. Monday, thus reverting to the same old routine which has marked previous biennial sessions of the legislature.

In the House the recess until Monday night was taken upon motion of Representative W. Pat Kimzey, of Transylvania, but it was very obvious that practically every one of the extremely small group of representatives present was in favor of taking as much time off as possible.

Ward's Weak Protest.

Craven's Libby Ward, chairman of

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Some Motor Plants Are To Re-Open

92,000 of 125,000 May Return To Work if Plans Meet With Success

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 25 (AP)—General Motors Corporation proceeded today with preparations to reopen some plants as its executives awaited a summons to meet in Washington Wednesday for a peace conference with automotive strike leaders.

William Knudsen, executive vice-president of General Motors, said he hoped to be able to return 95,000 of the 125,000 idle employees to work, but made no announcement as to which plants would resume operations.

The reopenings are scheduled to begin tomorrow.

It was made clear, though, the reopenings would be confined to plants which have been shut because of shortage of materials, and no attempt would be made to operate any of the 17 where the unionists called strikes.

Altogether nearly 50 plants have been closed or operated on a restricted basis because of the walkouts.

MOTOR STRIKE MAY DELAY NEW BUSES

School Equipment Legislature Ordered Not Likely Any Time Soon

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Raleigh, Jan. 25.—The automobile strike now in progress may seriously delay the school bus replacement program of the State School Commission said today. Officials of the General Motors Corporation have already advised the school commission they are not able to make delivery on a single truck chassis and that they have no idea when they will be able to make deliveries, Griffin said.

Other companies are behind in filling orders, so that it will take much time to get delivery from the companies not affected by the strike. The body builders are having a difficult time in getting safety glass as a result of the glass workers' strike, with the result that only safety glass they can now get has to be imported from Belgium.

Three Months at Best.

Even under favorable conditions, it would take from 60 to 90 days to get delivery on these new buses, Griffin said. But if the present automobile strike continues much longer, it will not be possible to get the 650 new school buses authorized by the General Assembly until late spring or

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Estimate 500,000 Homeless As Flood Strikes 10 States

Blazing Gasoline Tanks Ride Swirling Waters as Ever-present Fire Menace; 44 Deaths Reported; May Use Force To Dislodge Portsmouth Residents

(By The Associated Press)

Power, water and flood shortages added to the torment of fire, flood and disease today in the Ohio river valley focal point of rising river waters, which swept disaster into ten states and left an estimated \$500,000 homeless.

At Cincinnati, where blazing gasoline tanks riding the swirling waters brought an ever-present fire menace, officials feared meagre lines carrying electricity from Dayton and other centers might be cut off, leaving the city to the mercy of the water and flames.

Louisville In Darkness

Louisville, Ky., was in darkness overnight, with 200,000 of its 330,000 population homeless. National Guardsmen threatened to use force to carry 5,000 more from Portsmouth, Ohio. Flood waters swept through the Kentucky State Reformatory at Frankfort, where unconfirmed reports said 15 convicts were slain in rioting.

As the area counted at least 44 flood dead, rivers continued to rise farther upstream, heightening the menace. At Wheeling and Parkersburg, W. Va., flood-weary householders again sought relief shelters as the river rose. Northward at Pittsburgh, it was feared the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers again would reach a 33-foot crest.

Congress To Help

Word that Congress would be asked to pay relief costs in the flood area came from the White House.

At the same time the Red Cross asked the nation to contribute \$4,000,000 to aid flood sufferers.

The brightest dawn in four days brought some revival of spirit to Louisville, but all residents were urged by Mayor Miller to evacuate.

As the rising Ohio reached a 79.1-foot stage at Cincinnati, the worst fire in the city's 143-year history broke out anew, but was controlled by firemen.

BURLINGTON MAN IS FOUND SHOT DEAD

William D. Cook, 38, Had Bullet Hole in Back of Head and Body Was Still Warm

Burlington, Jan. 25 (AP)—William D. Cook, 38, operator of a pool room in the Burlington mills section here, was found shot to death at 4 a. m. today, his body still warm and a bullet hole in the back of his head.

Cook was known to have had \$66 on his person yesterday. The money was not found on him when his body was discovered by Joe Cook, his brother, who had begun a search for him after his long absence from home had alarmed his family.

An automatic pistol tentatively identified as Cook's was found on a table beside the body, and county officers are holding it for fingerprint examination.

Two men, R. L. Harvey and Primit Hamreck, of the mill section, are held in jail in connection with the crime.

Congress Is To Aid Flood Areas Soon

900 Million Relief Bill For Nation Is Given House; Gold Bill Is Signed

Washington, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Government leaders tackled today the huge task of raising millions for relief in the flood-devastated Ohio valley.

Red Cross plans to seek \$4,000,000 in contributions, twice the amount originally planned, coincided with word from the White House Congress eventually would be asked to appropriate for aid of the flood sufferers.

The White House said WPA and Red Cross funds would take care of the situation for the present, and an appropriation would be requested when the extent of the needs became known.

The National Resources Board turned over to the President the most comprehensive study of the nation's rivers ever made. It is designed in part to

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