

MILLION PEOPLE NOW HOMELESS IN FLOOD

MICHIGAN GOVERNOR REFUSES PROTECTION TO MOTORS WORKERS

Murphy Tells Flint Alliance Chiefs, However, He Intends to Prevent Bloodshed

VIOLENCE CHARGES ARE TO BE PROBED

Secretary Perkins Sends Representative to Anderson, Ind., on Complaint of Strikers That General Motors Incited Trouble At Plant There

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 28 (AP)—Governor Frank Murphy reiterated at Lansing today the State's intention to prevent bloodshed or violence in connection with General Motors strikes but told a delegation from the Flint Alliance it was impossible to answer their demand that he "guarantee all workers full protection in going to and from work."

INVESTIGATOR TO PROBE CHARGES MADE BY UNION

Washington, Jan. 28 (AP)—Secretary Perkins dispatched a representative to Anderson, Ind., today to investigate charges by the striking United Automobile Workers of America that the General Motors Corporation had indicted violence there.

John Porter, the investigator, will arrive there tomorrow. The union charged one of its meetings had been broken up and union headquarters raided and wrecked.

Shepard Is Given 7-Year Term For Imprisoning Girl

Whiteville, Jan. 28 (AP)—Albert Shepard, 44-year-old farmer, was sentenced to seven years imprisonment today for concealing a 15-year-old school girl several weeks in a garage hide-out at his home in the Evergreen community last fall.

Shepard was originally charged with kidnaping, but the State sent him to trial on a morals indictment involving a minor girl. After presentation of the prosecution's testimony, he submitted a plea of guilty.

Officers testified to finding the girl concealed in the garage, within a stone's throw of the house where Shepard's wife and nine children lived. They said she had been enticed away from school.

LEWIS NOT EASILY REBUKED BY WORDS

Demand for Roosevelt Backing in Strike Voice of Labor Power

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, Jan. 28.—John L. Lewis, the labor leader, undoubtedly gave considerable offense to the White House by remarking that his organization gave its whole-hearted support to President Roosevelt in the last national campaign and consequently considers that his forces are entitled to presidential help in its fight against "economic royalists."

But I do not believe, as some commentators have suggested, that Lewis spoke before he thought.

I talked with him ten days or so before he broadcast this definite utterance and he said substantially the same thing then. I asked him what the President could do. He was not definite to a "T," but he did make it clear that he thinks the President has influence aplenty—and "then some."

A POTENT VOICE

Of course this is true.

The presidential voice is mightily potent even if it be just a voice; nothing more.

Lewis made it clear that he wants and expects it for the element he represents. Subsequently he has made it clear yet; he not only looks for presidential backing but he demands it, and without delay.

There are numerous interpretations to the effect that the White House has "rebuked" him subtly.

It is not a strained interpretation.

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Envoy Honored



Fulvio Suvich, Italian Ambassador to the United States, is shown as he was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at Fordham University, New York. The occasion was the inauguration of the new Department of Italian Studies.

(Central Press)

Organizers With Union Badly Hurt

Bay City and Saginaw, Mich., Scenes of Clashes With Anti-Union Groups

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Three organizers for the United Automobile Workers of America, who encountered belligerent anti-strike crowds in Bay City and Saginaw, were in a Flint hospital today recovering from injuries.

They were members of a group of five union organizers who set out from Flint yesterday to carry on membership campaigns among General Motors employees in Bay City and Saginaw.

One, John Mayo, of Pittsburgh, disappeared during a clash with a hostile Saginaw crowd during which police took the union men to police headquarters for safe keeping.

Robert Travis, U. A. W. A. organizer at Flint, expressed concern for Mayo's safety. State police were asked to hunt for him. Saginaw police said they had received no such request.

The climax of the anti-union demonstration came when a taxicab in which four of the organizers were returning to Flint was wrecked near Flint. A deputy sheriff of Genesee county said the taxicab was wrecked "deliberately" by another car. All four were injured but only three required hospital treatment.

At Detroit the U. A. W. A. withdrew its pickets from the office entrance to the Cadillac Motor Car Company.

Hard Fights Likely Over Districting

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

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—First, and perhaps one of the bitterest, fights of this session has been dumped squarely on the floor of the House by the body's action in voting 53 to 51, to delay the reapportionment bill away from committee and place it on the calendar for action.

This action, taken after arimonious exchanges of repartee Wednesday makes it probable that a vote on the measure will be reached Thursday afternoon.

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Talks in Strike Probe



J. H. Smith, president of the Cleveland branch of the Chrysler Corporation, is shown as he testified before the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee regarding the alleged use of strikebreakers in the company which he heads. The probe was held in the Senate building in Washington.

ADVERSE REPORTS LIKELY FOR BOTH OF WHISKY BILLS

Bone Dry Measure and State Manufacture of Liquor To Be Smashed In Committee

CONTROL ADVOCATES SEEM SPLIT AGAIN

Apparently Merging at One Time, They Have Parted Now Over One Bill To Solve Their Problem; State Manufacture of Liquor Strongly Opposed

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

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—Liquor was back in the spotlight here today as a result of the hearing in progress this afternoon before the House Judiciary Committee Number One on the two bills introduced so far dealing with the liquor problem. One of these is the Hutchins "bone dry" bill, calling for a Statewide referendum and regarded as having the support of all the "drys" in the State. The other is the Hanford bill, which not only would set up a State monopoly system with State liquor stores, but would also put the State into the liquor manufacturing business as well.

The Hutchins bill, introduced by Mrs. Charles Hutchins, the representative from Vance county and others, is generally understood to have been written by Justice Heriot Clarkson of the State Supreme Court, and is regarded as being what the dry forces of the State want, in that it requires a Statewide referendum on the question as to whether liquor shall be legally sold in North Carolina. If the "drys" should win in the election, this action would automatically close the 60 or more liquor stores in the 17 counties which now have legal liquor. If the "wets" should win, it would then permit the sale of liquor in every county of the State.

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TIDE TURNING FOR CHILD LABOR BILL

Favorable Committee Report Came as Real Surprise In House

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

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—Results of the intensive drive for ratification of the Federal child labor amendment are apparent here on all sides, and since the favorable report of the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments was brought in there is an undercurrent of opinion that the measure isn't as hopelessly outnumbered in the Legislature as has been heretofore believed.

Advocates of the bill were themselves frankly surprised at the action of the House group, of which Willie Lee Lumpkin, Franklin's extremely liberal representative, is chairman as the best they had hoped for was a "without prejudice" report which

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40-Hour Work Week Bill Is Voted Down By House Group

James I. Miller Asks Committee To Exempt Leaf Tobacco Industry from Provisions

OLD AGE MEASURE BEFORE COMMITTEE

Hill Suggests Counties Will Have To Resort to Advalorem Tax for Their Part, But Gravely Says His County Will Pay Cost With Liquor Profits

Raleigh, Jan. 28 (AP)—The House Committee on Manufactures and Labor, voted 11 to 8 today against the McBride bill to provide a 40-hour week in the textile and tobacco industries and a 48-hour week in general industry in North Carolina.

An unfavorable committee report usually kills a bill. The joint public welfare committee considered the administration old age assistance and aid to dependent children proposals section by section, and the question of counties raising their funds from liquor sales was injected.

A. L. Fletcher, State commissioner of labor, urged the group to approve the labor bill, saying he was "getting tired of being told that labor standards in North Carolina can be no higher than a highly competitive market will permit."

Representative Barker, of Durham, insisted on action at once, moving for an unfavorable report. A substitute motion to appoint a sub-committee to work on the measure was defeated. Only one person spoke against the bill, James I. Miller, of the James I. Miller Tobacco Company, of Wilson, who asked that it not apply to the leaf tobacco industry.

Senators on the courts and judicial districts committee deferred action on the House-passed bill to add two Supreme Court justices.

The liquor question invited the

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MRS. McDOUGALD, OF HAMLET, IS INJURED

Woman Democratic Finance Leader Is Seriously Hurt in Automobile Crash There

Hamlet, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Mrs. Archie McDougal, of this city, Democratic party finance officer for North Carolina during the last campaign, was seriously hurt in an automobile accident here early today.

Dr. W. D. James, owner of the Hamlet hospital, said Mrs. McDougal about 35, had an ear nearly severed, and suffered a concussion on chest, back and spinal injuries, but her extent had not been fully ascertained.

First examination, however, indicated she would recover, he added. The doctor said he understood Mrs. McDougal's car and one driver by Ernest Clayton had collided at a street intersection.

Isolation For Spain Is Pushed

(By The Associated Press.)

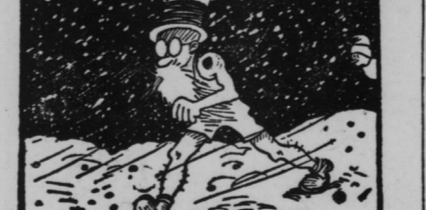
International negotiators, spurred by Italian-German promises to cooperate, rushed plans today to isolate Spain.

A neutral blockade of Spanish coasts to halt spread of the war fever to the rest of Europe was planned by the London, non-intervention committee using fleets of four great powers concentrated in the Mediterranean. Details of the plan, considered while the Madrid government forces were reporting new strategic victories, still were indefinite.

To bolster the coastal blockade of foreign arms and men, the non-inter-

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, with occasional rain and mist and considerable fog tonight and Friday; very slowly rising temperature.

ONE HEROINE OF THE FLOOD



A telephone operator, Gellna Skeens, sticks to her post to keep the last line open in Portsmouth, O. As she sits at the phone, wrapped in a blanket, the water creeps up on the floor below.

Vance Group Asks For County Roads

Raleigh, Jan. 28 (AP)—Twenty-one delegations, some with a score or more members, asked the highway and public works commission today for various road improvements.

The appearance of the group delayed the commission's consideration of award of contracts for the Albemarle Sound bridge in the Currituck-Camden short cut.

Groups heard this morning, leaders, and work wanted included:

Vance county, J. C. Kittrell, improvement of roads between Poplar Branch and Reed's Bridge in Granville county; a route to Powell's Mill and a connection to Red Bud church.

G. O. P. OPPOSED TO CIVIL SERVICE BILL

Would Give 14,000 Democrats Postmaster Job for Life, Is Charge

Washington, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Representative Edith Rogers, of Massachusetts, marshalled House Republicans today in opposition to a bill which she contended would place 14,000 Democratic postmasters in office for life.

As minority member of the civil service committee she was in charge of Republican debate on an administration proposal to put all postmasters under the merit systems. Incumbents would obtain civil service status through non-competitive examinations. Mrs. Rogers proposed competitive tests so that Republicans, as well as Democrats, would have a chance at the jobs.

The huge Democratic majority sought to pass the bill this afternoon. Echoes of the General Motors strike reached Congress in a request by Secretary Perkins for legislation to empower her department to ascertain causes of strikes and to recommend settlement.

The requested authority to take sworn testimony and to subpoena books and records.

The Senate Civil Liberties Committee asked a \$50,000 fund for a thorough investigation into the General Motors situation.

The \$700,000,000 relief bill now before the Senate appropriations group, forbids use of relief funds for investigative purposes.

Appportioning Bill Defeated In The House

New \$750,000 State Office Building Is Proposed; Liquor Hearing Is Held

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Legislators by the dozens listened to arguments on liquor legislation this afternoon before a House Judiciary committee after doing little business at the regular mid-day session.

The House debated more than an hour over re-appointment of its membership to give Buncombe, Guilford and Mecklenburg each an additional representative, and then refused to pass the Pickens measure, 70 to 38.

This morning the House Manufactures and Labor Committee reported unfavorably the McBride bill to place a 40-hour limit on the work week in the tobacco and textile industries and 48 hours for general industry in the State.

The liquor hearing was before House Judiciary Committee No. 1.

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Masses in Russia Demand Punishing Of Other Traitors

Moscow, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The Russian masses clamored today for another trial to bring to justice others they suspect are involved in the alleged "Trotskyist" plot to overthrow the communist government.

Workers meeting throughout the nation adopted resolutions demanding formal charges against the so-called rightist center.

They named especially such conspicuous figures in the Soviet as Nikolai Bukharin, recently removed as an editor of a newspaper, and Alexis Rykoff, who was premier of the Soviet Union for six years.

Both Bukharin and Rykoff have been involved in the testimony of IT confessed conspirators whose trial for treason is being heard behind closed doors is expected to end soon.

LOSS IN PROPERTY IS NOW ESTIMATED AT 400 MILLIONS

293 Known Dead, With Half Million People Threatened in Addition to Others

REHABILITATION IS NOW BIG PROBLEM

Old Mississippi Is Beginning To Stir Uneasily Under Vanguard Lash of Ohio Waters; Louisville Sees Hopes Darkened As More Rain Falls

(By The Associated Press)

The flooded Ohio river, struggling like a serpent of fabulous strength, sought escape against weakening levees today on its descent to the Mississippi.

The known dead stood at 293, the homeless passed the million mark and an additional 500,000 were endangered and property loss was estimated at more than \$400,000,000.

Along the 1,000-mile ghost-town trail the slowly receding waters lapped idly at empty houses in the empty towns.

The rehabilitation cost, now becomes of paramount interest in northern Ohio river valley communities, where the worst apparently has past, drew estimates ranging into billions. Officials said the average cost for cleaning and drying out a flooded home was \$250.

At Paducah Ky., Red Cross officials hurried to evacuate thousands of reluctant inhabitants in advance of the oncoming flood peak. Colonel Chat Rhodes, United States Army engineer, warned of a 61-foot crest within the next 48 hours.

Below, at Cairo, Ill., only men remained in the island city to bolster the 60-foot wall against an expected four-foot rise in the river. Eight thousand, mostly women, children and the aged, had already fled.

At Mound City, Ill., a back levee collapsed routing 650 men, 50 women and 175 CCC boys to higher ground.

On the Mississippi, now beginning to stir uneasily under the vanguard lash of the Ohio flood the Melwood levee was threatened with collapse, endangering two counties on the Arkansas side.

Louisville, Ky., with the highest death toll in the 1,000-mile disaster area, had its hopes darkened again today as rain began to fall.

In Tennessee workers battled des-

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Chinese Factions In Civil War Make Full Settlements

Nanking, China, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Military authorities of the central government announced today the peaceful settlement of China's prolonged civil war crisis.

The rebellion of the northwest armies and the former Manchurian forces, which started last December 12 with the kidnaping of Chiang Kai-Shek, was reported completely liquidated.

Fresh Curb On Holding Firm Asked

Congress Also Seeks Financiers' Advice on Taking Profits Out of War

Washington, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Congress sought the advice of two financiers today on how it could curb certain types of holding companies and what it would do to take the profits out of war.

Appearing before the Senate railroad investigating committee, Richard Whitney, former president of the New York Stock Exchange, testified he would urge exchange officials to formulate a "definite policy" on listing holding company securities.

He said it would be "extremely difficult" to fix a standard by which

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