

GREAT FLOOD SWEEPS TO THE DEEP SOUTH

COUNTIES PROBABLY WILL GET BIG LUMP OF INTANGIBLE TAX

Split of 60 Percent for Their Share Considered as Compromise Appears Near

SEEK ABOLISHMENT OF AVERY COUNTY

Bill Offered by Request To Return Its Parts to Three Counties; House To Vote Monday on Child Labor and Tobacco Compacts; Committees Meet

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The intangibles tax subcommittee of the joint finance committee studied revisions of the proposed new levy today which would have the State get 40 percent of the receipts and the counties sixty percent.

The original budget revenue bills proposed the State get all of the revenue, which A. J. Maxwell, revenue commissioner, roughly guessed would be about \$1,000,000 a year.

Maxwell re-wrote the entire section for the subcommittee to clarify the proposed taxes on bank deposits, matured insurance policies and funds held by fiduciaries, bonds, notes and other evidences of debt, and on shares of stock. An exemption was written in for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent corporations not operated for profit.

The committee met in executive session to adopt its report for the full finance committee this afternoon.

Senator Hill, of Durham, again led the discussion at the joint public welfare committee meeting, where the administration old age assistance and child labor proposals were studied section by section.

"This is the most extreme act ever offered down here against local self-government," Hill said in discussing provisions for the administration of the social security phases. "I will take my fight to the floor of the Senate and to the people of the State, if necessary."

Would Abolish County. Senator Abernathy of Caldwell introduced a bill by request in the legislature today proposing to abolish Avery county.

House members set as a special order for Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock

(Continued on Page Three.)

Burning Steamer Extinguishes Fire in Its No. 2 Hold

New York, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The captain of the coastwise vessel Shawnee witnessed early this morning he had succeeded in extinguishing a raging fire in his No. 2 hold after a fight for several hours, during which he dispatched an SOS call.

Carrying 190 passengers and a cargo of fruits and vegetables, the Shawnee, with a crew of 174, was bound from Jacksonville and Miami for New York when her skipper witnessed a call off Cape Henry, Va., for aid at 7 a. m.

The City of Birmingham and the Coast Guard responded. An hour and 20 minutes later the Shawnee advised all ships in the vicinity the fire was under control.

Would Scatter Exposition Into Many Cities of State

No City in State Could Accommodate Crowds for Real Show, and Jealousy Between Them for Its Location Would in Itself Virtually Defeat Idea

(Continued on Page Three.)

British Steamer Is Sunk by Mine

Bilbao, Spain, Jan. 29 (AP)—A ship believed to have flown British colors sank near here today, the result, it was reported, of striking an explosive mine.

The vessel was believed to have been of about 4,000 tons. A quantity of wreckage had been sighted. (Bilbao, Bay of Biscay seaport, is capital of the Basque government, which is allied with the Spanish Valencia government.)

Eviction Is Sought Upon Sit-Downers

General Motors No Longer Considers Flint Group As Their Employees

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 29.—(AP)— A petition seeking a court order for eviction of "sit-down" strikers from two Fisher Body plants at Flint, Mich., revealed today General Motors Corporation no longer considers them to be employees.

Roy Brownell, General Motors attorney at Flint, Mich., filed the petition with Circuit Judge Paul Gadola, of Genesee county, late yesterday.

The court directed the U. A. W. A., which called the strike which has crippled operations of General Motors to show a cause why an injunction should not be granted at a hearing Monday.

The bill of complaint with the injunction petition referred to the "sit-down" strikers as "former employees" and said:

"They are no longer employees of the plaintiff and have no right to remain on the premises."

CHAINS NOT FREE FROM HIGHER TAX

Snoopers Hunting for Something More To Tax May Yet Light There

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

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—Chain stores in North Carolina are not yet free from prospects of increased taxation, action of the revenue committee in refusing to adopt a schedule of levies proposed by Representative J. B. Vogler to the contrary notwithstanding.

On every front and in every nook

(Continued on Page Four.)

Homeless — Women and Children, Victims of Great Flood



Homeless, these women and children, victims of the greatest flood on record, are cared for in a Red Cross station—a converted factory—at Evansville, Ind., where tens of thousands were evacuated from their homes. Virtually this entire city of 110,000 was flooded.

Government Moves Rapidly For Rehabilitation Effort

Washington, Jan. 29.—(AP)— The government organized a clean-up campaign in the wake of the disastrous Ohio river flood today, even while it prepared to combat the growing flood menace on the lower Mississippi river.

President Roosevelt said Harry L. Hopkins, WPA chief, Major General Markham, chief of army engineers; Surgeon General Thomas Parran, Jr.,

and Colonel C. F. Harrington, of the WPA engineering staff, would arrive in Memphis Monday to start a survey of the devastated section.

Their findings will determine the number to be placed on relief. Provision for a starting relief roll of 200,000 is under way.

The President said individuals in need of a small financial aid would receive donations from the Red Cross and business men might obtain help from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in restoring their ruined stocks.

Republican congressmen began a drive to extend the social security act's pension system to farmers and to domestic servants and to put it on a "pay-as-you-go" basis.

Referendum Hearing Is Fruitless

Not Single Vote of Committee Believed Changed; About 18 to 6 Against

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, By HENRY AVERILL

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—For several hours Thursday afternoon the hail of the House echoed the thunders of prohibition oratory. During this period, advocates of a Statewide referendum advanced the same arguments which have marked every prohibition fight since the Year One.

At the opening of the hearing the membership of House Judiciary Committee number one reputedly stood 18 to 6 against a Statewide referendum on the liquor question.

At the conclusion of the hearing, when the last word had been said and the last plea made for the "women of this great State," best estimates were that the membership of House Judiciary Committee No. 1 stood 18 to 6 against a Statewide referendum on the liquor question.

Opponents of the Hutchins bill—the measure technically under discussion—presented but one speaker, Roy T. Cox, chairman of the board of commissioners of Pitt county. Proponents of the bill, field marshalled by Cale K. Burgess, generalissimo of the United Drys, sent a series of well known speakers into action, the list including prominent ministers, women and educators.

All these were heard with rapt attention by a crowd which taxed the capacity of both floor and gallery and which was obviously a "dry" crowd in the main. Every speaker was greeted with prolonged applause and most of them were interrupted repeatedly with cheers for their "hallelujah" arguments.

CIVIL SERVICE NOW UP BEFORE SENATE

House Jams Through Postmaster Bill To Give Permanent Jobs

Washington, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A decision for placing all postmasters on civil service rested in the Senate today after the House, in a boisterous over-time session, approved the administration proposal.

The bill would empower the postmaster general to fill the positions permanently without Senate ratification, either by re-appointing incumbents who passed non-competitive examinations, or by promoting postal employees.

About 14,000 first, second and third class postmasters would go under the merit system, which already covers

(Continued on Page Six.)

REAL REMEDY FOR FLOODS WITHHELD

Jealousy of Communities Prevents Army Engineers from Acting

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Columnist

Washington, Jan. 29.—The United States is under obligations to the depression for one thing, anyway: the relief machinery created in the last four years has equipped the government to meet emergencies like this season's flood disaster with a maximum of speed and efficiency.

Federal agencies admittedly were taken by surprise by the magnitude of their task as conditions developed themselves. Yet at President Roosevelt's order they threw themselves into it with the competency of long preparation. It was as if they had been organized for the particular purpose of the moment.

Reason for Destruction. What makes the present floods so especially destructive is the fact that they have swept such thickly settled

(Continued on Page Six.)

Man Held In Car Injury Of 2 Women

They Claim He Put Them Out of Car and Deliberately Ran Into Them

Lumberton, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Rural Policeman W. D. Northrop said today he had arrested Bate Paul, of near here, and charged him with running over two young women with his automobile near St. Paul last night.

Northrop said Paul made no statement concerning reports Eunice Suggs and Emma Hollingsworth had got out of his car after an argument and that he later had run over them.

A man listed as Joe Prevatt, a son of Mack Prevatt, was arrested here and placed under \$300 bond as a material witness.

BOTH WOMEN, SERIOUSLY HURT, ARE IN HOSPITAL

Fayetteville, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Two young women, both seriously hurt, told hospital authorities and law enforcement officers today they had been struck by a motorist who became enraged, put them out of his car, turned it around on the highway and ran over them.

The women were listed at the hospital as Eunice Suggs and Emma Hollingsworth, both about 25, of St. Pauls. Hospital officials said the former received fractures of both legs and one probably would have to be amputated. Her condition was "critical."

Emma Hollingsworth also suffered a leg fracture. Both women were believed to have received internal injuries.

Officers quoted the women as saying

(Continued on Page Four.)

COUNTLESS FARMS AND VILLAGES ARE DEEP IN THE TIDE

Every Levee Throughout Mississippi System Is Holding Firmly Against Waters

HORDES OF REFUGEES SEEK HIGH GROUNDS

Arkansas, Bracing for Oncoming Yellow Flood, Declines Outside Aid for Present; Weary Physicians Redouble Efforts in Battling Against Disease

(By The Associated Press)

Flood waters of the north, unrelated after a \$400,000,000 scourge of the Ohio river valley, began a plundering invasion into the heart of the deep South today.

Scores of villages and countless farms along the 20-mile stretch from Cairo, Ill., to Memphis, swam deep in the rising yellow tide of the Mississippi.

The crest was still to come, now hovering just above Paducah, Ky.

Anxiety deepened in the beleaguered city of Cairo as the waters crept ominously higher.

Silently through the night the debris-littered tide inched upward, reached a stage of 58.4 feet, almost to the point reached before the Bird's Point-New Madrid "fuse plug" was dynamited to save the city.

A new three-foot bulwark of sandbags topping the 60-foot seawall lent some comfort to the 5,000 remaining inhabitants.

With snow and rain forecast, a pick and shovel army of 100,000 toiled like beavers to fortify the billion dollar levee system ranging southward from Cairo, that guards the rich cotton delta lands along the Mississippi.

United States Coast Guard cutters shuttled up and down the rusty waters on "picket duty" to watch the weak spots or new breaks in the levees.

Warned of impending danger, new hordes of refugees streamed from the low-lying marginal lands along the Mississippi.

Tent cities sprang up on high lands and ridges 30 miles from the river to house temporary "orphans of the flood." At Barton, near Helena, Ark., a single concentration camp received 15,000 refugees. Ten additional centers were spotted.

Every levee throughout the Mississippi system was holding today. In Little Rock, Ark., Governor Carl Bailey declined eastern offers of help, declaring Arkansas wants to fight its own battle, with aid only from the United States Army and the Red Cross.

Memphis hummed with warlike activity today as more thousands of refugees streamed into the city.

Health hazards mounted. One out of every ten refugees suffered from sickness—influenza and pneumonia. Weary physicians redoubled their efforts.

Meanwhile, assured that the worst was passed, stricken Middle Western states communities pushed rehabilitation plans, aided by state and Federal governments and the care of the homeless. These victims of the disaster numbered 1,035,000, latest estimates said, with 333 dead. Property loss estimates were \$400,000,000.

Danger points along the 1,000 miles front between Cairo, Ill., and the Gulf of Mexico were at New Madrid, Mo., Hickman, Ky. and Melwood, Ark.

(Continued on Page Two.)

Trustees Of U. N. C. Face Tough Task

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

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—The board of trustees of the Greater University of North Carolina will have as nice a mess of hot potatoes to deal with when it meets here tomorrow as it has ever had in the form of the Coach Hunk Anderson and local self-government controversy which is expected to take up most of the time in this meeting, observers here agreed today.

Back of those who are interested only in settling the Hunk Anderson controversy and who are primarily interested in securing "home rule" for athletics at State College, are the anti-Frank Graham members of the board who would be glad to go much farther and oust Graham entirely as



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday; not much change in temperature.

(Continued on Page Four.)