

JAPANESE TROOPS POURING INTO NANKING

CIVIL SERVICE FOR FARM BILL REFUSED BY VOTE OF HOUSE

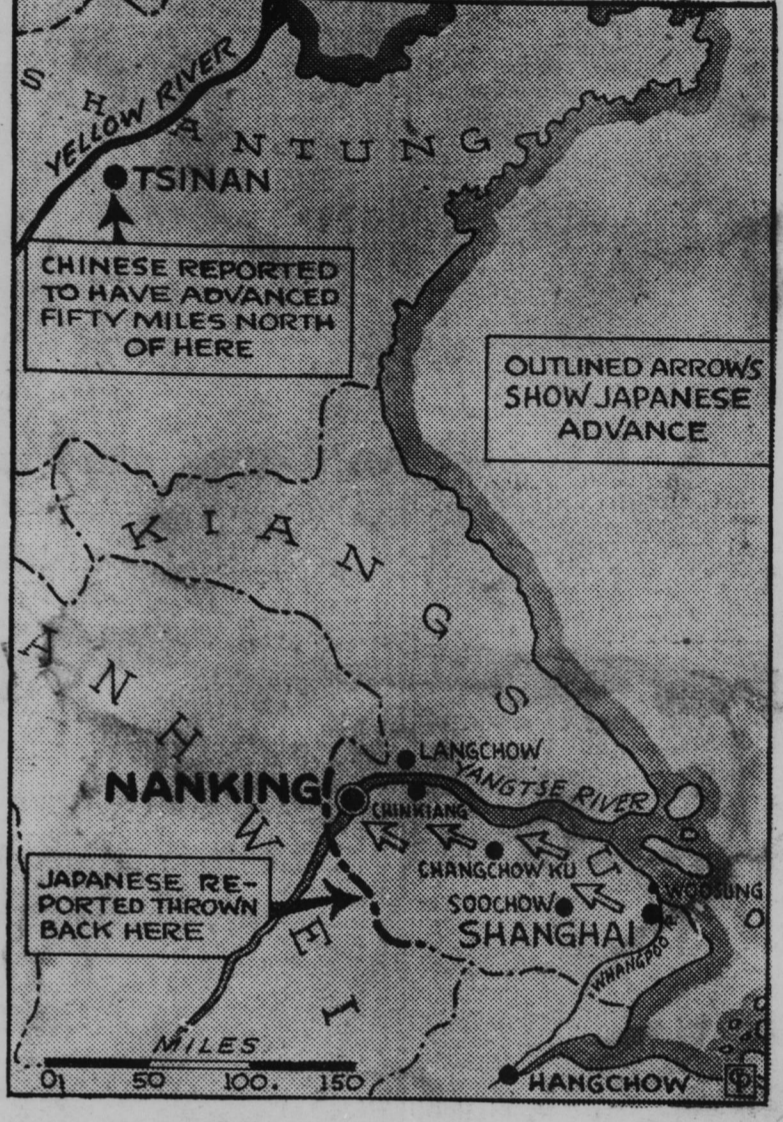
Republicans Warn Against Soliciting \$25 Roosevelt Donations From Career Men

JONES PLEADS FOR ACTION UPON BILL

Tells Members To Vote for or Against, But Not To Re-Commit It; Compulsory Control for Wheat Inserted in Farm Bill After Rejection

Washington, Dec. 10 (AP)—The House rejected a Republican proposal today to compel use of civil service employees in administering the pending farm program. The proposal came from Representative Treadway, Republican, Massachusetts, a word of caution to Democrats not to send requests for \$25 contributions "to further the administration of the Roosevelt administration" to civil service employees. There was one of several minor amendments the House swept aside in the push toward a final vote. Chairman Jones, Democrat, Texas, pleaded during the debate for members to vote for or against the bill, but not to send it back to committee. The House, reversing itself, decided by a 219 to 175 vote today to restore compulsory control for wheat in the administration farm bill.

JAPANESE AT GATES OF NANKING



This self-explanatory map shows Japan's drive on Nanking, China's capital. The city became a "deserted shell" as the Chinese removed valuables. In the north, however, the Chinese were reported to have advanced 50 miles near Tsinan—a setback for the Japanese. It is believed that, once the Japanese possess Nanking, they will set up a puppet government for China that will "co-operate" with the Japanese.

ONE OF LARGEST GATES OF CAPITAL IS TAKEN BY JAPS

Invaders Strike from All Sides at Ancient City, Crashing Walls at Places

COMPLETE CAPTURE APPEARS IMMINENT

Attack Begins When Chinese Refuse To Heed Japanese Ultimatum To Surrender; Uncertainty Prevails as to Fate of Few Remaining Americans

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—(AP)—The Japanese command announced today that the principal southeastern gate at the Nanking walls had been captured by a detachment of Japan's ninth division. Japan's Rising Sun banner was raised over the gate as soon as it was taken Friday. Nipponese infantry surged through this breach in the defenses of China's erstwhile capital and occupied adjoining sections of the walls. Seizure of the gates came as the climax of a battle which began with a Japanese general assault on Nanking early in the afternoon.

AIR ATTACKS CENTERED UPON CITY'S MAIN GATES

Tokyo, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Domei (Japanese) News Agency's correspondent sent word from the Nanking front tonight that Japanese troops had captured the city's southeastern gates and were entering the city. Squadrons of Japanese planes were said to be concentrating their bomb attacks on Nanking's 18 gates to blast open a path for Japan's armies.

JAP FORCES STRIKE FROM ALL SIDES UPON NANKING

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Japanese forces struck from all sides of Nanking in a general attack today, which the Japanese spokesman declared tonight had put the Chinese capital "in the process of falling." The attack was launched when the

CIO LEADERS DEFY AFL AT PORTLAND

Lewis Labor Units Win Bargaining Election in Northwestern Lumber Industry

Portland, Oregon, Dec. 10.—(AP)—CIO leaders, triumphant in a bargaining election called by Governor Charles Martin to break a four-months lumber industry, voiced defiance today to a threat of AFL union chiefs to continue boycotting CIO-produced lumber. "The boycott could not stop enough lumber to build a smokehouse," said George Brown, a CIO official. Under armed guards, employees of the Inman-Poulson Lumber Company, voted 376 to 138 to designate the CIO its bargaining agency. Plant officials said they would reopen Monday with a crew of 300 men.

SEEKS GOLDSBORO PERMIT ON RADIO

Washington, Dec. 10 (AP)—Jonas Weiland applied to the Communications Commission today for authority to construct a new radio station at Goldsboro, N. C., to operate on 1,500 kilocycles, 100 watts daytime.

POWELL PREPARES FOR JOBLESS PAY

Those Without Work Who Qualify To Get Checks in Late January

RUCKER PREDICTS REYNOLDS VICTORY

Greensboro Supporter of Senator Has Little Fear of Hancock

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, Dec. 10.—Preparations for paying unemployment benefits to eligible unemployed workers after January 1—the first checks will probably be actually delivered on January 28—are being made in the office of the North Carolina Unemployment Compensation Commission. Chairman Charles G. Powell said today. In a few days employers in the State will receive blanks which they are asked to fill out and return to the nearest State employment office, showing what workers are dropped from their payrolls and the date.

15 Prct. Freight Rate Hike Denied Nation's Railroads By Federal Commerce Body

Offers 3,000,000 Job Plan



Lamont duPont (left), president of the DuPont industrial empire, is pictured with Lewis H. Brown, head of the Johns-Manville Corporation, after he outlined a project for the creation of 3,000,000 jobs at the conference of the National Association of Manufacturers in New York City. He predicted "if government clears the way for industry, a \$25,000,000,000 expansion program would smash unemployment."

RULING BY I. C. C. IN WAKE OF PLEA FROM ROOSEVELT

President Had Said at Press Conference Something Had To Be Done for Lines

WOULD KEEP THEM IN OWNERS' HANDS

President Says Administration Has No Definite Plan To Help Roads Out of Difficult Financial Situation and To Maintain Solvency

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—The Interstate Commerce Commission overruled a petition today by the nation's railroads for an immediate fifteen percent increase in freight rates. The action was announced by Commissioner Clyde Aitchison at the outset of this afternoon's hearing on the carriers' request for a permanent rate increase in that amount. The announcement came shortly after President Roosevelt said the commission should seek to preserve the solvency of the nation's railroads with a view to retaining them under private management and private ownership. Discussing the financial situation of the carriers at a press conference, the President said the quicker a final determination was reached on the roads' application for higher freight rates, the better it would be all around. Disappointed railroad leaders expressed belief that the commission's

Murder King Taken After His Escape

Man Believed To Control German Killer in Paris Gives Himself Up

Paris, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Roger "Scarface" Million and Jean "the Little One" LeBlanc, sought by police as accomplices in the slaying-kidnaping gang which numbered among its victims Jean DeKoven, Brooklyn dancer, surrendered to police today. Million, Paris police said, gave himself up in Paris. LeBlanc surrendered at Versailles. They had been sought by police throughout southeastern France after a sudden departure last night from a hotel at Nantua. With them then was said to have been a blonde French woman identified by police as Million's mistress.

BAILEY RENEWING FIGHT ON TOBACCO

Beaten Thursday, Tar Heel Has New Proposition for Small Grower

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Senator Bailey, Democrat, North Carolina, renewed today his effort to limit production curtailment that could be imposed on small tobacco growers under the Senate farm bill. Bailey, defeated 36 to 34 yesterday in his first attempt, has another amendment pending to limit to ten percent the reduction of a grower whose average production is 12,000 pounds or less, and to five percent that of a grower whose production is less than 10,000 pounds. His original amendment would have extended the limitation to a producer whose average was 15,000 pounds or less. Bailey said he had assurance of four additional votes in favor of his proposal.

MODERATE LOSSES IN COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened steady, one to four points lower, under near-month liquidation and hedge selling, which offset trade and foreign buying. March sold off from 8.11 to 8.08, leaving quotations two to five points net lower after the first half hour. March at midday was selling at 8.05, when prices ranged from one to four points net lower.

Business Laying Basis For 1938 Upward Swing

Raw Materials Are a "Buy" Now, Babson Advises; Says Present Recession Is Not Another 1929-1932 Debacle; "Freezing" Prices Bad Business

BY ROGER W. BABSON, Copyright 1937, Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc. Babson Park, Miss., Dec. 10.—Business is now laying the base for a new upward push in 1938. The readjustments in stock and commodity prices, in inventories, and in industrial production are going on with tremendous rapidity. A quick sharp recession is much more desirable than a long dragged-out period of correction. The steepness of the present break convinces me that the upturn will come sooner than most people believe, assuming that Congress cooperates. Every new phase of the business cycle brings its opportunities. Hundreds of fortunes were built, for instance, by those who had the courage and vision to buy stocks and bonds in 1932 and 1933. Today, I believe that we have another golden opportunity. It is in the commodity markets. But the majority of businessmen are now too frightened to move. Their vision is clouded; their courage has vanished. Of course, we will continue to have ups-and-downs in business and prices over the next few years. This is not another 1929-32 debacle. I believe that sometime before business does go through another major depression we are going to have the biggest boom in all history. Feelings Stronger Than Figures. Several weeks ago I gave readers some of the basic causes of this cur-

2 Negroes Gassed At State Pen

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Walter "Preacher" Caldwell went to his death on his 37th birthday today for criminal assault, and William Terry, 18, died for murder in a double gassing at Central Prison. Both men were Negroes. It took 13 minutes and 22 seconds after the gas was turned on before Caldwell was pronounced dead. The chamber was then cleared of gas. Terry was brought in, and in eleven minutes and 40 seconds was dead. Caldwell was sentenced in Iredell county for criminal attack. Terry died for the slaying in Chatham county of Mrs. W. T. Hamlet. Caldwell entered the gas chamber at 10:33 a. m., the eleventh man to be executed this year. The gas was started two minutes after, Caldwell appeared to pray before losing consciousness. Perry walked into the chamber at 11:14 a. m., and again two minutes the gas started for the last execution of 1937. Perry turned his eyes toward the ceiling and prayed, then lowered his glance and smiled at the witnesses. His lips showed he was saying "Goodbye" and attempting to wave his hands. Both men had confessed their guilt and expressed a willingness to die, said Chaplain E. C. Cooper, of the prison.

Hangman Is Cheated By Tacoma Man

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 10 (AP)—A sensational suicide plunged before the eyes of his sorrowing parents cheated the hangman of triple-slayer Douglas Van Vlack's life fifteen minutes after his scheduled execution today. Van Vlack, convicted of killing his wife, was to have been hanged at 12:10 a. m., Mountain standard time. Four hours before, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Van Vlack, of Tacoma, Wash., came to bid him goodbye. Van Vlack kissed his mother, broke from the guards, climbed to the top of a 30-foot cell block and dived off. His head and shoulder crashed against the concrete floor. The 33-year-old University of Washington graduate's trail to the death house started in Tacoma November 23, 1935. He kidnapped his secretly-wed wife, Iredell, who had obtained a divorce decree. He fled eastward into Idaho. Van Vlack shot two Idaho State policemen who tried to stop him, then ran his car into a ditch and dragged his wife into a culvert. He forced her to stay there overnight and then shot her.

Landon Will Not Again Be A Candidate

1936 G. O. P. Chief Won't Accept If Named; Jonas Attacks Committee

Washington, Dec. 10.—(AP)—Former Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, said today he would not be a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination in 1940, and would not accept the nomination should it be offered to him. The 1936 nominee made the announcement to newspaper men upon arrival here for the Gridiron Club Dinner. Landon emphasized, however, that his statement did not mean he was withdrawing from politics. "I am taking this step so I can be more active in Republican party affairs," he said.

FORMER GOLDSBORO DIES ACROSS LINE

Kingstree, S. C., Dec. 10 (AP)—Frank Watts, 64, a native of Goldsboro, N. C., died suddenly last night at his home here. The funeral will be held here tomorrow. Watts had been proprietor of a jewelry store here for the past 26 years.

14 DAYS TILL Christmas SHOP EARLY

Philippine Army Trio Found Safe

Manila, P. I., Dec. 10 (AP)—Three Philippine army officers, one an American, were rescued today from a small tropical island, where their typhoon-battered airplane was forced down four days ago with only enough gasoline for ten minutes flight. The trio reached here in a rescue plane amid jubilant scenes. Fishermen on the Isle of Bugitay, far off the filiers' course, fed and housed the men, Major General Paulino Santos, chief of staff of the Philippine army; Colonel Sidell Segundo, chief of the intelligence corps, and Lieutenant William Lee, U. S. A., chief of the commonwealth's air corps. Lieutenant Alfred Maxwell, U. S. A., sighted them from one of many search planes. The officials were returning.

Texas Leads All States in Money from Government

Washington, Dec. 10 (AP)—The Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today that Texas led all states in the amount of government benefit, payments to farmers during the first ten months this year. The amount was \$35,585,000, compared with \$23,734,000 for the same period last year. Payments to all farmers totaled \$355,000,000, compared with \$332,000,000 for the same period last year. Amounts paid to farmers in other states for the ten months period this year and last, respectively, included: North Carolina, \$12,099,000 and \$3,100,000.

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA Generally fair tonight and Saturday; continued cold.