

naval and diplomatic sources in China and relayed to him. The material supplemented the formal note sent by the State Department to the Japanese

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36 Miners Guilty Of Conspiracy To **Bomb Coal Trains**

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 18 (AP)-Thirty-six defendants, most of them affiliated with the Progressive Miners of America union, were convicted today by a Federal court jury of conspiracy to bomb Illinois coal field trains.

All were found guilty on three counts after the largest mass trial in the history of this Federal court district. The verdict was reached 14 1-2 hours after the jury received the case. The trial lasted five weeks.

Several Progressive officials were among the miners convicted of conspiracy to dynamite trains, obstructing the mails and interfering with commerce.

Sheriff Earl Evans and the other defendants were charged with dynamiting trains hauling coal from mines operated by members of the rival union, the United Mine Workers of America, in an effort to force employment of Progressives.

The defendants took the verdict quietly, but wives of some of them the Ford assembly plant here today sobbed.

Gangster Slain Near To Belmont

Belmont, Dec. 18.-(AP)-A gun pathizers arrested in the disorders. tattle with officers today had ended the criminal career of Clyde Cunningham, former South Carolina convict, at first tentatively identified as Bill Payne, North Carolina desperado. Failing to stop at a weighing sta-tion near here last night, Cunningham aroused officers' suspicions, and a chase started that resulted in the fugitive's car being crowded off the highway.

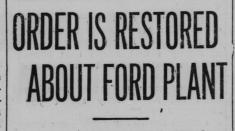
Cunningham fired as he got out of his car and a bullet hit Police Chief J. A. Burns, of Kings Mountain, in the hand. Then an officer shot back, wounding Cunningham in the neck. "Don't shoot; you have already shot me in the neck," cried Cunningham, dropping his gun and at the same time pulling another pistol out of his belt

As he drew the second gun several officers opened fire and Cunningham fell in his tracks.

approved today freight rate increases estimated to return \$15,000, 000 to \$20,000,000 annually to railroads

The increases, effective Monday, were allowed by approving tariffs proposed by the railroads on specific commodities after the I. C. C. granted October 19 increases estimated to bring in \$47,500,000 annual revenue.

While approving most of the proposed tariffs, the commission suspended the new rate schedule on five commodities, specifying these become effective July 20 instead of Monday. A hearing will be held in the meantime to determine the fairness of these proposed rates.



Hostilities Between Police and Pickets at Kansas **City Quieted**

Kansas City, Dec. 18 (AP)-Police-picket hostilities reached a truce at after five men were wounded by gun-

shutdown.

Ford maintenance employe was over-come by tear gas and a policeman

tion. Police released 104 strike sym-

The United Automobile Workers Union, alleging discrimination in rehiring after a seasonal lay-off called obtain their license tags within the

FOR NORTH CAROLINA Mostly cloudy tonight, with possibly light rain in east portion and mist or snow flurries in mountains colder except on north coast tonight; Sunday partly cloudy, un-settled on the coast, slightly cold-er in central and east portions.

WEEKLY WEATHER

For week beginning Monday: Generally fair and cooler begin-ning of week except unsettled over north portion Monday; rising tem-peratures middle and rain period in latter half, followed by colder,

SOME STATEMENT MAY FOLLOW SOON Teruel Hard Pressed by

Against Franco Madrid, Dec. 18.- (AP) -Teruel southern spearhead of General Francisco Franco's Aragon line, was ringed today by besieging government

nounced, and a battle was raging with in the city. All of Teruel's communications had been cut off by the government's slashing three-day surprise offensive. An insurgent communication reaching the French frontier denied the government claims of success. It in-

with success. within the city itself.

surgent entrenchments in the municipal cemetery, driving them out from the protection of tombstones. The insurgents failed in a counter-

attack yesterday to smash through the tightening ring. Teruel's plight was unquestionably a heavy blow to Franco's armies, which had been expected to take the offensive themselves in an attempt

ment territory to the sea.

Two of the men wounded in yester-day's disorders were constables. A blinded by the gas was sent to the hos pital

Fifteen members of the UAWA and other CIO unions and four non-union Ford workers were held for investiga-

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Loyalist Troops in Drive Army and Navy Insisting

forces, a war communication an

sisted "we are pursuing the enemy Government reports said the repubic's Teruel army had captured 15 poitions surrounding the city and some

In bitter cold and through drift ing snow, the attackers stormed in-

to drive eastward through govern-

was said to be waging a battle with little support to obtain further concessions. fire, a dozen beaten and two gassed in clashes yesterday. Police said they would not patrol the plant during its usual week-end **To Get 1938 Auto Tags**

Konoye.

emperor.

an unusual step in the Japanese

system, lent weight to reports that

some expression concerning the

Panay affair might come from the

The army and navy were said to

apology, offer of indemnities and

recall of Rear Admiral Teizo Mis-

Foreign Minister Koki Hirota

plates prior to expiration date of De-

cember 31. This gave a full month to

buy these plates, and I wish to call

attention of all automobile owners to

the necessity of buying the plates

now, because there will be a tremen-

dous rush for the last two or three

days of the month and owners of cars

will be deprived of the privilege of

to satisfy the United States.

insisting that the formal

Now And Avoid Trouble

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Dec. 18.—Approximately half a million automobile owners must next two weeks or face arrest if they attempt to operate their cars, Governor Clyde R. Hoey said today as he urged car owners to get their tags without further delay.

"As some indication of the neces sity of acting about this matter, I placed on the cars. There is no pro- have been sold. You can see from this

time and this cannot legally be done. to be purchased and if car owners do "The automobile department placed not take advantage of the time now on sale in all the offices through- to purchase a license they will have out the State the new plates on De- only themselves to blame when they cember 1, so as to afford the public a are deprived of the use of their cars full opportunity to purchase these after January 1,

and were believed threatening to dominate other Chinese cities. Urgent appeals to Shanghai for doc

tors and medical supplies came from 14 American missionaries who remain ed in the abandoned capital through out the attack, and still were attempting to alleviate the suffering of the That Offers to United inhabitants.

States Already Made Are Enough; Foreign Minister VETERANS GET PAY Hirota Waging Losing **Battle for Concessions**

AFTER 2 DECADES Tokyo, Dec. 18.-(AP) -- Emperor Hirohito tonight received a detailed report on the sinking of the United States gunboat Panay from Premier Prince Fumimaro Service Compensation Obtained for Tar Heel Ex-News of the premier's action.

Soldiers Now Ill

Daily Dispatch Bureau. a the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Dec. 18—Seven North Carolina veterans of the World War have just been awarded compensation "service-connected disabilities" for twenty years after they suffered them, Jack Lang, State service officer said

today. The seven were among the 32 new tunami, chief of the naval air cases handled by Mr. Lang, whose of-fice is in Charlotte, during November. force in Shanghai, were sufficient None of themha d ever made application for compensation before, he said. Mr. Lang commented on the difficulty of convening Veterans administration officials at this late date that existing disabilities are in fact due to service in 1917 or 1918. He said that the evidence in the seven cases approved in November was overwhelming; but that the veterans had not before filed because of their desire not to take compensation from the governent until it was absolutely necessary. The State service officer was here to confer with Major A. L. Fletcher, commissioner of labor. He is con-

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Small Group of Legislators Will Now Tackle Problem Congress Could Not Solve

HOUSE AND SENATE **ARE WIDELY APART** Efforts Will Be Made To

Harmonize Two Measures; **Price-Fixing Proposals Are Rejected by Senate, Which** Almost Kills Farm Meas-

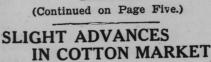
ure Itself Washington, Dec. 18.-(AF)-Senate bassage of the "ever normal granary bill shunted to a small group of legis lators today the problem that Congress has been unable to solve in four weeks of debate: how best to help the

farmer. A joint committee of senators and representatives faces the task of re conciling major differences between the Senate measure and a crop control bill previously passed by the House.

Leaders have abandoned hope that the committee man agree on many de tails before the special session ad journs next Wednesday. Minor enactment of farm legislation, listed first on President Roosevelt's program for the extra session, thus will be delayed until Congress convenes again in Jan uary.

The Senate approved the farm bill last night, 59 to 29.

The measure narrowly escaped the ash heap, however, when proponents

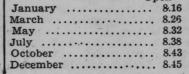


Renewed Realizing and Hedge Selling Retard Rise, However; Vol-

ume Is Limited

New York, Dec. 18.-(AP)-Early advances in cotton today brought out renewed realizing and $hedg_e$ selling. but volume was limited. March eased from 8.27 to 8.21, and closed at 8.22, with final prices one point net lower to five higher. Futures closed one lower to five

higher. Spot steady, middling 8.32. Close Open



climatic House rebellion which shelved the wage-hour bill check-mated administration leaders today in their efforts to push through much of the Roosevelt program before adjournment next week.

In a tense overtime session, the House sent the battered measure back to the labor committee last night, despite an appeal from Majority Leader Rayburn, Democrat, Texas, that such

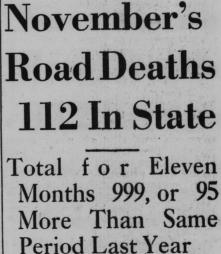
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Bill To Buy Six Million **Bales** Ready

Washington, Dec. 18.—(AP)— The Senate Agriculture Committee sent to the floor today for consideration a bill by Chairman Smith, Democrat, South Carolina,

to require the government to buy up 6,000,000 bales of cotton. Under the measure, cotton would be purchased until cotton reached 12 cents a pound, or the 6,000,000-bale limit was reached. Purchases would be carried out through the Commodity Credit Corporation. Smith failed in an effort to

amend the farm bill to provide for the purchases. Northern and western senators voted against the southern bloc.



Raleigh, Dec. 18 (AP)-R. R. Mc-Laughlin, motor vehicle bureau director, announced today that 112 persons died in automobile accidents in North Carolina during November to push the year's toll to 999, or 95 more than

8.12 in eleven months of 1936. 8.22 There were 841 accidents, in which 2.27 844 persons suffered non-fatal injuries 8.34 during November. For eleven months

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8.43 8.45

operating them unless they secure their plates now. "I wish to call the attention of the public to the fact that only a few days remain to purchase new automobile plates before the first of Jan-

uary", the Governor said. "Under the need only mention that for the year law automobiles cannot be operated there were sold 586,535 license plates, upon the highway after December 31 whereas until December 15, the first unless the new license plates have half of the month, only 86,102 plates