

COLDER WEATHER IS FORECAST TONIGHT IN MOST OF STATE

Lowest Last Night Was Four Below Zero on Mt. Mitchell, Highest Above Freezing

NINE DEATHS FROM WEATHER IN WEST

Only New England, Florida and Far West Escape Icy Blast; No Crop Damage Reported so Far in South; Ice Jam Threatens Niagara Bridge

Raleigh, Jan. 26 (AP)—Temperatures over North Carolina ranged from four degrees below zero up to above freezing today as a cold wave gripped most of Tar Heel.

Hundreds of citizens in nearly all parts of the State talked about the display in the northern skies last night by the aurora borealis. The northern lights were reported seen in Charlotte, Raleigh, New Bern and Beaufort. The last recorded display seen from here was on March 22, 1920.

Raleigh had a temperature of 30 degrees this morning, compared with 50 yesterday, and Asheville had a 16-degree reading. On Mount Mitchell the mercury marked off a four-degree below zero temperature.

Wilmington listed 22 and Hatteras 26 degrees, while a low of 22 to 24 was forecast here tonight.

A gusty wind, which reached a velocity of 35 to 40 miles an hour here yesterday, had abated somewhat, though 25-mile-an-hour gusts were recorded at intervals.

NINE DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO FLOODS AND THE COLD (By The Associated Press)

Deaths attributed to flood waters and a severe cold wave mounted to nine today while the Middle West dug out of the winter's worst storm.

Only New England, Florida and the Far West escaped sub-freezing weather.

Snow blocked highways, stalled trains and disrupted power service in many areas. Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, upper Michigan and the Dakotas bore the brunt of the storm. Some relief was offered when flood waters receded in Illinois, Wisconsin and Arkansas.

Continued freezing temperatures (Continued on Page Four)

THREE ACCUSED OF KILLING TAR HEEL

Murder of Willie Oxendine, of Robeson County, Charged in Warrant at Dillon, S. C.

Dillon, S. C., Jan. 26.—(AP)—Three men, James Daniels, Will Rowell and Will Wright, were charged in a warrant today with murder in the death of Willie Oxendine, of Robeson county, North Carolina, whose mangled body was found on a railroad near here about a week ago.

Witnesses at the inquest said Rowell, Daniels and Wright engaged in an altercation with Oxendine shortly before his body was found. The three were ordered held yesterday by a coroner's jury.

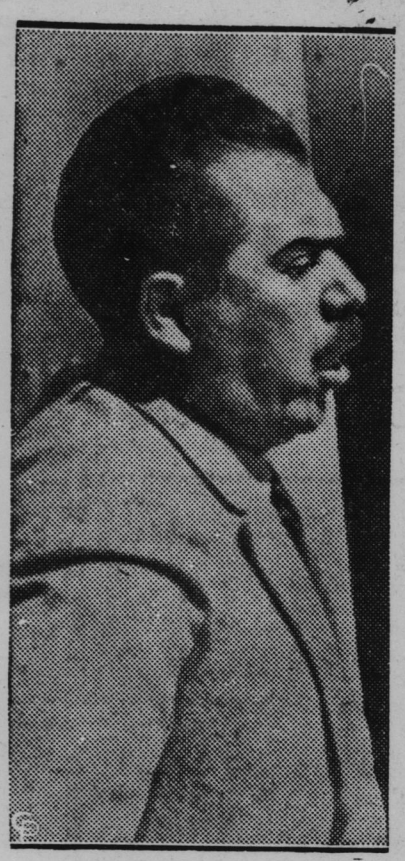
SCOTT PLEADS FOR LIVESTOCK SAFETY

Agriculture Commissioner Tells Veterinarians of Losses Annually By Disease

Raleigh, Jan. 26 (AP)—"Disease control work in livestock," Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott said today, "is one of the most important problems facing the farmers of North Carolina today."

Scott urged the State Veterinarian Association in session here to render the State a great service in fighting disease in livestock and poultry.

Mexican Peacemaker



Dr. Lazaro Cardenas ... calms rioting workers

Personal intervention by President Lazaro Cardenas of Mexico has become a "magic" formula in Mexican affairs. President Cardenas, sapped his most recent peace-making activities by calming 10,000 rioting laborers when he spoke to them from the city hall in the town of Orizaba.

Beal Hearing Is Postponed Three Weeks

Meantime, Radical Groups in New York Collect Funds for His Defense

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 26.—(AP)—Judge F. N. Chandler today continued until February 16 the case of Fred Beal, labor organizer, charged with being a fugitive from justice in connection with an alleged conspiracy to murder a police chief in Gastonia, N. C., during a strike there in 1929.

The continuance was granted after Beal's counsel informed the court the attorney general's office would hold an extradition hearing February 15. Beal remained free in bail of \$5,000.

The labor organizer, convicted with six others of conspiracy to murder Police Chief O. F. Aderholt, of Gastonia, fled after being sentenced to from 17 to 20 years.

NEW YORK GROUP SEEKS BIG FUND FOR DEFENSE

New York, Jan. 26.—(AP)—A non-partisan committee for the defense of Fred Beal, fugitive from North Carolina, has been formed here today.

Louis Waldman, labor attorney and member of the State executive committee of the American Labor Party, will represent the committee at the extradition hearing for Beal at Boston, Mass.

Rails Over-Capitalized But Government Purchase Not Solution, Chief Says

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 26.—(AP)—George Tomlinson, president of the Van Sweringen railroad empire key corporation, declared on his 72nd birthday today that capitalization of many railroads is "excessive" but government ownership "isn't the way out" of harassing financial problems.

Mad Man's Plot?



Rolfe M. Forsyth ... died trying to bomb ship

Unrequited love is blamed for Rolfe M. Forsyth's mad and fatal attempt to blow up the Japanese motorship Hiye Maru at her moorings in Seattle harbor. Intimates of the former student and faculty member at the University of British Columbia, at Vancouver, B. C., declared he had developed a decidedly erratic streak since breaking of his engagement to a socially-prominent Vancouver girl. They were unanimous in their belief that he concocted his scheme of a "one-man" war against Japan in the hope of amassing riches that would enable him to return to the station of life he once enjoyed. Forsyth was drowned while trying to blow up the liner.

OFFICERS' PURSUIT OF PAYNE'S CAR IS RELATED IN COURT

Weighing Station Attendant Tells of Slain Highway Patrolman at His Post

OTHERS DESCRIBE FINDING OF BODY

Coroner Tells of Many Bruises "All Over Body" of Slain Officer; Mother Of Dead Patrolman Leaves Court Room as Session of Trial Resumes

Asheville, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Five of the prosecution's 28 witnesses in the trial of Bill Payne and Wash Turner, escaped convicts, on charges of murder in the slaying of State Highway Patrolman George Penn, described today the officers' pursuit of a fleeing blue sedan shortly before he was shot down on a dead-end road.

The last two witnesses to take the stand before the luncheon recess were Miss Mary Shuford, deputy clerk of court, and Clarence Capps, fruit stand employee, who told of seeing the chase. The latter said he was talking to Penn just before the officers began the pursuit.

The first witness, Dr. George Baier, Jr., Buncombe county coroner, testified (Continued on Page Six.)

TRADING QUIET AS COTTON DECLINES

Weakness of Stock Market Influences Commodity Price, With Moderate Selling

New York, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened two to four points lower on easier Liverpool cables and under liquidation and moderate hedge selling. Weakness of the stock market and discouragement over the continuing differences between the administration and business affected sentiment adversely. Trading was quiet. May sagged from 8.53 to 8.50. Shortly after the first half hour, the list was five to seven points net lower. May was quoted at 8.49 around midday, when the list was six to nine points net lower.

SEAWELL TO MAKE DRIVE UPON SLOTS

State Attorney General Merely Waiting Hearing Before Meekins

Only Dispatch Bureau, 28 St. W. Hotel

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—When Federal Judge Isaac M. Meekins is asked to rescind or modify his injunction protecting "silent salesman" slot machines, Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell will press an offensive against the "one armed bandits" on every front.

The attorney general said today that he will present every phase of the matter to the Federal judge, arguing that Judge Meekins' sweeping ordinance...

Anti-Lynch Bill Filibuster Faces Cloture From Senate

George Says There Are Other Ways To Fight Bill Besides Speaking Against It

PROTESTS EFFORTS TOWARD GAG RULE

Doughton Expects Announcement About Veterans' Hospital in Eastern North Carolina To Cost \$1,500,000; Dunlap Wants Road Money

Washington, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Southern senators, facing the threat of a filibuster on debate, resumed their fight today on the anti-lynching bill, meanwhile receiving assurances that there would be no Senate session this evening.

Majority Leader Barkley, Democrat, announced that, in view of the impending vote at 1 p. m., eastern standard time tomorrow on debate limitations, the Senate would recess today at the usual 5 o'clock hour, Monday and Tuesday it was in session until about 10 p. m.

Senator George, Democrat, Georgia, resumed the southerners' filibuster after two senators tried unsuccessfully to add their names to the petition which forces tomorrow's vote on the seldom-used cloture rule, limiting debate.

George, protesting against efforts to impose a gag rule, said there were other ways to fight a bill besides speaking against it.

Representative Doughton, Democrat, North Carolina, meantime, said he expected an early announcement by the Veterans Administration about a proposed new veterans' hospital in eastern North Carolina. He indicated the announcement would relate to the initial allocation to be made for the institution from the proposed \$4,000,000 appropriation for new veterans' facilities.

The House has approved the appropriation and it is now before the Senate.

The 300-bed North Carolina hospital has been estimated to cost \$1,500,000. Other developments:

The White House arranged a conference between President Roosevelt and Senator O'Mahoney, Democrat, Wyoming, on the latter's bill to curb monopolies.

Representatives of State highway departments objected at House Roads Committee hearings to reductions in Federal aid highway appropriations, as recommended by President Roosevelt. The committee is considering a bill by its chairman, Representative Cartwright, Democrat, Oklahoma, to authorize a \$238,000,000 appropriation for each of the fiscal years 1940 and 1941.

Frank Dunlap, chairman of the North Carolina Highway Commission, said reduction in Federal aid would affect North Carolina seriously. He referred to "dangerous conditions" arising from worn highways in his State.

Dunlap added the need for road and bridge construction was greater than for grade crossing elimination in North Carolina.

TWO TAR HEEL MEN PERISH IN WRECK

Car Crashes into Abutment at Creek on Highway Between Portsmouth, Suffolk

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 26.—(AP)—Two North Carolinians were killed when a car crashed into a concrete abutment over a creek one mile east of Bowers Hill on the Portsmouth-Suffolk highway today. Dr. L. C. Ferebee, Norfolk county coroner, identified the dead as Rigdon Hardison, 20, of Arapahoe, N. C.; and Clayton Banks, Arapahoe.

Norfolk county police said they found a peddler's license on Hardison's body made out to N. W. Hardison.

POWELL WARNS OF LAX TAX PAYMENT ON COMPENSATION

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Charles Powell, chairman of the Unemployment Compensation Commission, warned today that employers coming under the unemployment act must complete their 1937 payments of contributions by February 1 or face a heavy penalty.

All payments made before January 25 were at the rate of 1.8 percent for each month of 1937. Those between now and January 31 will have a small interest charge added.

After January 31, though, Powell said, the Federal government will collect two percent on 1937 payrolls and the State will also require the same amount as before.

Idol Laughs at Bombs



All that remains of the Chinese temple that stood on this spot near the Kiangwan Racecourse in Shanghai is this stone idol, which surveys with imperturbable dignity the manifestations of man's inhumanity to man. The idol, miraculously unbroken, survived bomb and shell which took appalling toll of human life.

League Splits On Issue Of Enforcing Sanctions

Noe Improvement Continues Slowly

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 26.—(AP)—Reports from the hospital room of Rev. Israel Harding Noe indicated today the 47-year-old clergyman, whose 22-day fast was broken Sunday night, is responding to medical aid. His physician reported his general condition is "much improved."

GOVERNMENT SPIES SPY ON EACH OTHER

Whole Federal System Has Gone Cuckoo, Many Congressmen Think

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Columnist

Washington, Jan. 26.—Is the government doing too much secret work within itself?—at cross purposes?—more or less as a matter of inter-departmental and even individual official jealousies?—with disorganizing consequences all around?

To these questions many affirmative answers are to be heard from legislators on Capitol Hill, in both houses of Congress.

The subject is a live one by reason of the Senate Public Lands Committee's inquiry into the qualifications of the Administrative Assistant Elbert K. Burlaw of the Interior Department to succeed the late Theodore A. Walters as first assistant to Interior Secretary Harold L. Ickes.

It is an inquiry which has developed the story that Burlaw was spied on by the Interior Department's investigatory corps, then headed by Louis R. Glavis, a veteran undercover man in various federal capacities. Testimony has hinted at eavesdropping, among other things—even the tapping of Secretary Ickes' own wire by his own secret service operatives; in fact, at the tapping of White House wires.

Such charges have not been very (Continued on Page Five.)

Big Nations Want To Keep Them and Little Ones Want To "Junk" Regulations

COMPROMISE SEEN AS LIKELY OUTCOME

Opponents Have Claimed Sanctions Work Hardships on Nations Applying Them; Powers Would Be Left Free To Act But Leave Act in Covenant

Geneva, Jan. 26 (AP)—The big and small nations of the League split today over whether to keep sanctions provisions in the covenant.

The smaller nations favored junking the "punitive" Article XVI as the League's Council began its 100th session. The article provides for economic sanctions against nations committing "an act of war" and for possible military action by League powers.

The larger powers wanted to keep sanctions as part of the League's framework, and Foreign Ministers Anthony Eden, of Great Britain, and Yvon Deibos, of France, were reported determined to uphold them in Council debate.

There was some indication of compromise with the anti-sanctions nations, who in the past have contended that sanctions worked economic hardships against the nations applying them, as well as the aggressor to be punished.

The compromise would be an unofficial understanding freeing League nations from any obligation to apply sanctions, but leaving provision for it within the League covenant.

Today's council session was private and in ensuing public sessions most of the attending foreign ministers were expected to make statements renewing pledges of faith in League principles—these in answer to Germany, Italy and Japan, who have left the League.

TWO ARMY MEN DIE IN CRASHING PLANE

One an Inspector at Plant Making Planes for Navy; Tragedy at Belleville, Ill.

Belleville, Ill., Jan. 26 (AP)—Two men identified as Lieutenant-Commander Emile Chourre, U. S. Navy, of San Diego, Cal., and Aviation Cadet Michael Ola were killed today when their plane struck a mooring mast at Scott Field, near here.

Identification of the fliers was established by papers found in their possession. Ola was about 25. Chourre, about 45, was said to have been manufacturing planes for the navy.

UNCLE SAM SEEKS GREATER DEFENSE IN STORMY WORLD

More Men, More Guns, Greater Protection in Air, At Sea and On Land Are Planned

SPANISH WAR NOW A TESTING GROUND

For 18 Months It Has Kept Europe in Jitters; Fighting Scattered Through Much of China, With Toll Among Populace as Well; Japs Stalled

(By The Associated Press.) Uncle Sam cast about today for ways to bolster American defenses before a turbulent, quarreling world.

More men, more guns, added strength in the air and at sea, stronger defenses on land—these are the needs advanced by protagonists of armaments increase.

They find their reasons in the Spanish civil war, which for a year and a half has fed Europe's war jitters; the Sino-Japanese war, with its frequent incidents involving foreign nations; armaments building by other nations.

The civil war in Spain has become a testing ground for the armaments of all nations, thrown in to aid one side or the other.

It is possible that that test one day may determine whether one nation or the other shall find it expedient to challenge another to conflict, which could embroil all Europe.

In China, the rumbling of Shanghai's seven charity morgue wagons daily emphasize war's toll is not alone from the battlefield, but also is taken behind the lines by disease and starvation. Fifty-one thousand Chinese refugees and poor have died in Shanghai since the warfare began there last August, benevolent burial officials say.

Fighting is scattered through much of China, with Japanese in control of the major cities—Shanghai, Nanking, Peiping and others. The Japanese (Continued on Page Six.)

Ten Killed In Blast In Paris 'Lab'

Paris, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Ten men were killed today, police said, by two explosions in the municipal protective laboratory at suburban Villejuif.

The men were packing grenades seized from the French secret society, Csar, for shipment to an artillery park in Versailles when the blast occurred. Police said there were no wounded.

The explosions were audible through most of Paris, and windows and houses about the buildings were shattered.

An infantry battalion guarded the laboratory while search was continued through the wreckage. Two police photographers and two chemists in the building about the time of the blast were missing.

Police believe the explosions were accidental. The roofs of three houses outside a wall surrounding the laboratory grounds were splintered.

Wool Group Leader Hits FDR's Plans

Warns of Too Low Tariff and of Executive Powers in Reorganization Bill

Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 26 (AP)—The president of the National Wool Association voiced criticism today of two Roosevelt administration policies.