

ROOSEVELT MONOPOLY MESSAGE IS COMING

NORFOLK SOUTHERN ALLOWED TO STOP PASSENGER TRAINS

Utilities Commission Order Most Sweeping of Kind Ever Issued In This State

NORFOLK-CHARLOTTE LINE IS EXCEPTED

But Petition Is Pending To Stop Service Between Raleigh and Charlotte; In View of Terrific Losses, There Is No Alternative, Winborne Says

Raleigh, April 22 (AP)—The Utilities Commission authorized the Norfolk Southern Railroad Company today to discontinue all passenger service May 1 except on its line from Charlotte through Raleigh to Norfolk, Va.

The order was the most sweeping ever issued involving stoppage of passenger service in the State, said Commissioner Stanley Winborne. A petition is pending also to stop service from Charlotte to Raleigh.

20 Negroes Die In Cafe Catastrophe

Phoenix City, Ala., April 22.—(AP)—Rescue workers sought additional victims today in the wreckage of a two-story cafe building that collapsed yesterday, bringing death to at least 20 Negroes, and injuring approximately 80 other persons.

Sergeant T. J. Carlisle, Alabama State patrolman, estimated that six or seven more bodies would be found in the ruins.

Only three white persons were known to have been injured. One was Luther Jones, about 55, who occupied a room on the second story of the building.

The roof of a building next to the cafe collapsed Wednesday, injuring ten Negroes slightly; the rest of the roof crashed yesterday, bringing down the east wall of the cafe building and wrecking the Negro section of the eating place.

Phoenix City, with a 1930 population of 13,852, is across the Chattahoochee river from Columbus, Ga.

Japan Pays For Sinking U.S. Gunboat

\$2,214,007.36 Check Delivered at Emotional Informal Ceremony in Tokyo

Tokyo, April 22.—(AP)—The Panay case—the bombing of the United States river gunboat Panay and three Standard Oil vessels during the siege of Nanking—was officially closed today when Japan paid \$2,214,007.36 as full indemnity.

The aerial attack on December 12 up the Yangtze river from the former Chinese capital, was one of the most

Japan Is Sacrificing Much Of Hopeh Province To Find Troops For Interior Drive

Scott Asks Research On Use Of State's Cotton

Raleigh, April 22.—(AP)—Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott said today he would request the departments test farm division to make an immediate investigation to determine why North Carolina cotton cannot be economically used instead of Indian cotton in blanket manufacture.

A shipment of 12,000 bales of Indian cotton is in a Richmond, Va., warehouse for shipment to a blanket maker at Asheville. Officials of the company getting the staple said it was used because it made blankets "more nearly resembling wool" than was possible with domestic staple.

Business Outlook Better Than It Was Month Ago

President Is Adding Pump-Priming to Quickening Slight Upturn Now Noticed; but New York Is a Big City of Gloom Through out, Babson Finds

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New York City, April 22.—America's greatest metropolis and financial center is today a city of pessimism. There is a little more cheer now than a week ago but you can still cut the gloom with a knife. This fact, however, is not necessarily a bad sign. People in this vast city are so close to the trees that they cannot see the forest. Sentiment in Wall Street usually goes too far. Often when New York thinks that conditions are the rosier, it is time to pull in your horns; when it thinks that they are the bluest, it is time to buy securities and goods.

COURT WILL PASS UPON LIQUOR LAW

Case From Scotland to Be Argued in Supreme Court Early in May

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, April 22.—North Carolina's Supreme Court will soon be called on to pass its first interpretation of the liquor laws enacted by the 1937 General Assembly.

Oddly enough, the case will find a member of the last House who voted against the county control ABC plan arguing that the laws as enacted were a complete change in North Carolina's policy of dealing with intoxicants and therefore repealed the existing restrictive provision of the existing (Turlington) act.

The case, State vs. M. W. Epps, will come up as a "pauper" appeal from Scotland county, with Representative Jennings King representing the appellant. It will be the first criminal case on the calendar to be called during the week of May 3rd.

In his brief, which goes exhaustively into the question from every angle, Representative King poses the paramount question: "Was the ABC law of 1937 a complete change in the State's policy with reference to intoxicating liquors or was it merely an amendment or exception to existing laws?"

Here for the filing of his brief, the Scotland county legislator expressed the opinion that his client will win if the Supreme Court justices hold that the 1937 laws represent a complete change in policy. Otherwise, he ad-

GOLDSBORO MAN IS DEAD OF AUTO HURT

Goldsboro, April 22 (AP)—Cobb Hinson, 29, died in the Goldsboro hospital today of a brain concussion received in an automobile accident on Thursday night.

AT NAVY, TAX BILLS CONFABS



Foes of the \$1,156,546,000 naval expansion bill cause a conference of Senator David I. Walsh, of Massachusetts, center, in charge of the bill, with two of his lieutenants, Senator Homer T. Bone of Washington, left, and Senator Peter G. Gerry, of Rhode Island, right, in top photo. In the meantime, house-senate conferees on the tax bill failed to agree on the undistributed profits tax.

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On that date he plans to leave the capital for a short cruise off Charleston, S. C. In connection with proposed anti-trust legislation, the President said he had discussed monopolies with Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, at a luncheon conference yesterday. He and the senator, Mr. Roosevelt added, agreed substantially on everything.

Newark Youth Confesses His Effort At Extortion

In Franking Row Tried To Get \$30,000 and \$60,000 at Different Times from Father of Levine Child SENTENCE DEFERRED BY COURT FOR TIME

Orders Psychiatrist Investigation Made To Determine New Rochelle Schoolboy's Mental Condition; Man Arrested in Chicago for Like Crime

Trenton, N. J., April 22 (AP)—Stanley Thomas Jasosky, 19, of Newark, admitted in Federal court today he attempted to extort ransom from the father of 12-year-old Peter Levine, New Rochelle schoolboy who disappeared February 24.

"I'm sorry for the boy; that's all," Jasosky told Judge Philip Forman as he pleaded guilty to an indictment charging he sent three threatening letters to Murray Levine.

The indictment charged that the first note, received less than a week after the child disappeared while en route home from school, demanded \$20,000. It alleged Jasosky wrote a second letter March instructing the father to take an airplane from Paterson, fly low over Staten Island and drop \$60,000 at the sign of a white cross on the ground. The third letter asked that \$30,000 be delivered at Newark for the return of the boy, the indictment said.

DEMOCRAT LOSSES MIGHT WELD PARTY

But Lukewarm New Dealer Won Illinois Senate Nomination Other Day BY CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, April 22.—As Leader Bertrand H. Snell of the G. O. P.'s pretty small contingent in the House of Representatives recently remarked, there may not be such a disproportion of Democrats over Republicans in the next Congress as in the present.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, showers this afternoon and in east portion tonight; cooler in east portion; Saturday cooler in east and central portions.

PRESIDENT PLANS MESSAGE ALSO ON TAXING SALARIES

Expects To Leave Shortly Afterwards for Cruise off Charleston, S. C., Few Days

CONSIDERING TRIP TO CHILE LATER ON

President Says He Has For Four Years Wanted To Make Journey to West Coast of South America; House Committee Recommends Wage-Hour Bill

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The President, talking to reporters at his press conference, said his monopoly message would be the second of two communications he will send Congress next week.

He said he expected his message about reciprocal Federal-State taxation of salaries of public officials and of future issues of state and federal bonds would be dispatched to Congress Monday.

The question of reports that he was planning a trip to Chile was raised, and the chief executive said that for four years he had wanted to visit the west coast of South America.

President Roosevelt defined one of the prime purposes of the neutrality act, meanwhile, as being to prevent this country from penalizing one warring nation and so favoring another. He declared the law had been satisfactorily applied, in so far as possible.

PTA Urged To Aid War On Crime

Winston-Salem, April 22 (AP)—Closing a three-day annual convention here, the North Carolina Congress of Parent-Teacher Associations, today heard a plea for a nationwide war on crime.

Speaking to more than 500 delegates, Edward W. Schmidt, agent in charge of the Charlotte bureau of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said the future of America rests on its answer to crime's challenge.

Scheidt said "the problem of crime is the problem of youth," and suggested teaching emphasis upon respect for law as a solution.

Roy Berg, secretary of the Allied Youth Movement, said the organization he represented seeks effective alcohol control through education. He said "if American youth is shown the physical effects of liquor, it will choose temperance."

The convention closed at noon.

Alf Landon In Attacks On Spending

1936 G. O. P. Nominee Urges People To Demand Taxes to Finance Program

Topeka, Kans., April 22.—(AP)—Alf M. Landon called upon "an articulate citizenry" today to make it clear to Congress that "this huge appropriation" proposed in President Roosevelt's new recovery program must be met by adequate tax provisions.

The 1936 Republican presidential nominee, in an address prepared for delivery to the Optimists Club, said the President's proposal has ended the "period of uncertainty" as to the government's fiscal policy.

"We are again upon an inflationary

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