

(By The Associated Press.) The motor car killed 70 times as many persons as did firecrackers as America observed the 163rd anniver-sary of its independence with a four-day celebration marred by more than 600 violent deaths. A survey today listed only four A survey today listed only four

Silver Vote

Of Congress

By CHARLES P. STEWART

Central Press Columnist

Washington, July 5.-The Senate's

recent vote to end the President's

authority to devalue the dollar any

longer just goes to show that there

is not now a bit of use in trying to

forces.)

Washington, July 5.—(AP)—Ma-jority Leader Barkley said after a conference with President Roosevelt "will not fail to take any steps which today he expected the Senate to apwill seem to them necessary and prove late this afternoon legislation desirable to make their attitude ab-

her mother and brother were drowned as they were attempting to start an automobile to flee from the on-rushing water. The car was over-turned and washed several hundred

No students of Morehead Students College, located here, were in the lood

Crutcher said the death toll was expected to be high in the rural sections of Rowan county, with which t has been impossible to communicate. Farmers, a village seven miles west of here, was completely cut off, and Clearfield, a factory town of about 500 persons on the opposite side of Triplett Creek from Morehead, was feared to have suffered heavily. Rescuers were unable to cross the swift current to reach the Roosevelt Back at community. Water on Bailroad street, Morehead's main thorough-Capital To Direct fare, varied in depth from four to

lives lost by exploding fireworks, to

compared with 517 reported for the three-day celebration last year.

Pedestrians

By Traffic

Lead Deaths

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

By HENRY AVERILL

The total toll was at least 618, severed his jugular vein.

Thronging of beaches by merry- safety engineer, was killed when his baby, who was in the father's arms. would have the effect of restoring

A survey today listed only four made bombs or firecrackers. Washington, Pa. Three persons died yond Friday night, when the mone-tives lost by exploding fireworks, to Hildred Sowders, 14, of Marlin, when their motor car tumbled nearlives lost by exploding fireworks, to 277 sudden deaths in automobile ac-cidents throughout the 48 states. From a can placed over a firecracker, Gordo, N. M. Poland if threatened in the fiscal year. A contended the fis

severed his jugular vein. Ironically, Edward Fisher, 21, of Chicago, who was studying to be a at Bay City, Mich., but spared their Chicago in the study of the legislation origin-ally was drawn to extend the pow-ers before they died, approval now Calls Issued For

Bent upon getting this legislation approved, and also undertaking to

have the Senate pass administration-sponsored neutrality measures, the president returned to the Capitol

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Smith Seems

\$100,000 Theft from

versity soon would end his reticence

headed for nine years Unable immediately to raise \$50,-

who was indicted as an accomplice,

Institution

Poland if her independence were

Banks' Condition As of June 30th

Washington, July 5.-(AP)-The comptroller of the currency issued a call today for the condition of all national banks at the close of business June 30, 1939.

CALL ALSO ISSUED FOR REPORT ON STATE BANKS Raleigh, July 5.—(AP)—A call was issued today for the condition of all State banks at the close of business June 30, 1939, Banking Commissioner Gurney P. Hood said.

CAPTURES EXCEED CONVICT ESCAPES

Not Going To Be Goat 341 escapes by 65, Penal Director Robert Grady Johnson reported to-dev Effteen penal units reported to-dev Effteen penal units reported bronsideration tomorrow of are on the finance committee, which to previous British-French and feared further delay. day. Fifteen penal units reported in Louisiana Scandal, no escapes. They included: Women's

Held in LSU Probe

Fight and Has Not

ing Program Bills Being Written Washington, July 5.-(AP)- The

administration encountered another

new suggestions to London today for proposals to Moscow in continuation in efforts to get Soviet Russia into

French officials expressed disappointment at Moscow's latest reply to previous British-French proposals

The new French plan, the nature of which was not disclosed, was re-

meeting broke up, said he was un- en in Moscow over the points at isperturbed by the delay, and made it sue—the difficulty of giving guaran-plain that administration forces in-tees of aid to smaller states which

ed and angry at failure to reach a

President Roosevelt has insisted on the negotiations, which were being neutrality revision this session. The conducted in secrecy. "The hour is past," he said. "The people wait, but perhaps peace will not wait."

Committee To Start Visit To TB Sites

After a conference Monday in Raleigh, the committee will visit Franklinton, Henderson, and Louisburg Tuesday, Blythe said. Other points on the group itiner-ary include: Rocky Mount, Wilson, Tarboro, Williamston, Edenton, Elizabeth City, Snow Hill, Greenville, Washington, Kinston, Wilmington, New Bern and Southport.

Other members of the committee are Representative O. M. Mull, of Cleveland county; Representative L. L. Burgin, of Hen-

derson county. The General Assembly has appropriated \$250,000 for the project, and Federal funds would be sought for the balance of the

Auto-Bus Crash Shows Jumble -Collision of a light sedan automobile with a passenger bus early today killed six persons, including three children, as they sped toward their West Virginia home after a holiday outing. Victims were Fred Wendt, 35,

Washington, Pa., July 5.-(AP)

Six Are Dead In

his wife, 35, and two of their three Raleigh, July 5.-The pedestrian, children, Joan, 4, and an eightquite a curious creature in many months-old daughter, all of Wellsrespects, is a major headache in North Carolina's traffic situation, burg; Albert Bailey, Sr., 55 and according to statistics of the Highhis son, Jimmy, 14, Follansbee. Mrs. Bailey, 53, and Albert way Safety Division and in the opinion of Safety Director Ronald Hocutt, who concurs generally in the findings of the National Safety Counhurt, but hospital attendants excil, organization which probes the pected him to recover.

"He is at one and the same time the forgotten man and the problem child of traffic. He has been neglected, but he also has been pamp-ered and spoiled", reported the council in a national release. Mr. Hocutt might not want to be quoted personally in as strong language, but the facts of North Carolina traffic fatalities and injuries last year, and so far this year, for that matter appear to be so closely in conformity with the National Council's raiting that he scarcely needs to be

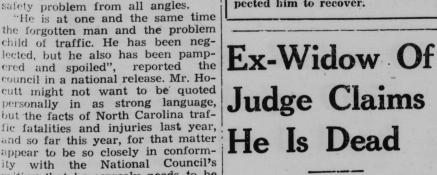
quoted at all. In the nation, for instance, roughly three out of every five persons killed in traffic accidents in cities¹ were pedestrians. North Carolina, with few dense urban centers, didn't quite reach that 60 per cent, but of traffic deaths within its incorporated units, 93 were of pedestrians against 85 among occupants of vehicles, giving a 52 plus percentage of pedestrian deaths out of all city and town fatalities. Not only that, but 746 pedestrians were injured in cities and towns during 1938.

On the highways, North Carolina's

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VIRGINIA GROCERY CHAIN HEAD DIES

Wilmington, July 5.-(AP)-W. P. of a grocery chain, died suddenly of ble indemnity totaling \$60,000 from months term, to the Waccamaw Bank a heart attack at his Wrightsville the Mutual Life Insurance Company & Trust Company, of Whiteville, at Beach cottage this morning. The body of New York and the Fidelity Insurance Company. was returned to Harrisonburg.



New York, July 5.-(AP)-The widow of former Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater, asserted in supreme court today that the long missing jurist died by "external violent or accidental means," and that his body was "disposed of by cremation". It was the first definite theory she has expressed as to his

fate. As recently as last May 11, the widow, now Mrs. Stella M. Kunz, expressed doubt as to what happened to Justice Crater after he dis-

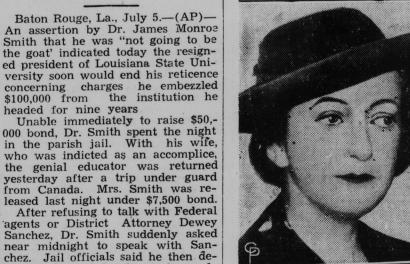
appeared August 6, 1930. "I don't know what happened to him," she said on that occasion. "I believe if he were alive I would have found some trace or clue." It was not immediately indicated whether she had now discovered

some trace or clue as hinted in the words "disposed of by cremation." Mrs. Kunz is suing to collect dou-

National Bank, Winston-Salem, at a

five percent.

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA Generally fair tonight and Thursday; rather warm in the



University, was arrested with her husband at Brockville, Ontario. They were permitted to remain in their hotel, rather than go to jail, pending return to the U. S. for trial of Dr. Smith for alleged embezzling of university funds.

About Ready

Says Ex - University H e a d, Accused of H e a d, The state of the sta

delay today in its efforts to win revision of the neutrality bill when the Senate Foreign Relations Committee postponed until Saturday consideration of the House-approved Bloom bill. Senator Harrison, Democrat, Mis-Raleigh, July 5.—(AP)—Recap-ture of 406 escaped prisoners dur-ing the 1938-39 fiscal year exceeded

message might have on the tense

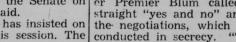
Danzig situation.

Neutrality

curity law. Chairman Pittman, Democrat, Nevada, who arrived just as the Britain before further steps are tak-

tended to demand a final showdown do not want such guarantees. on their proposal to repeal the arms French commentators were alarm-

embargo of the present law. "Certainly we shall stay here un- quick agreement with Russia. Formtil there is a vote in the Senate on neutrality," Pittman said. straight "yes and no" answers from

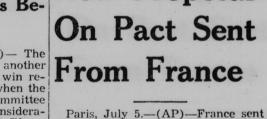




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Changed Mind, Barkley Says; Huge Lend- New Proposal



distinguish between Democrats and Republicans. There isn't much use in trying to distinguish between con-Bailey, Jr., 16, were injured so servatives and liberals. New Dealers seriously they may die. Fouryear-old Joseph Wendt also was and anti-New Dealers are mixed al-

so. After that ballot anybody is liable to vote any way on any proposition. Dollar devaluation is a technical ob of governmental financiering into the details of which it's necessary to

enter. The essential part of it is that Congress, only in President Roosevelt's first term, empowered him to devalue down to a certain point and for a certain length of time, which was set to expire June 30, 1939. He

did devalue considerably. It didn't ap pear to make much difference here at home but it had a decided effect in international money markets. The administration's version is that it administration's version is that it ed president of Louisiana State Uni-

(Continued on Page Two) Local Government **Commission Sells**

City, County Bonds the genial educator was returned

Raleigh, July 5.—(AP)—The Local Government Commission sold \$21,000 of revenue anticipation notes for three municipalities today.

The commission approved issuance of \$58,000 Beaufort county refund-ing bonds, and authorized Pembroke to issue \$14,000 improvement honds

Notes sold included: Raeford, \$6,-000 four-months term, to the First

premium of \$2.53 with interest at five percent; Whiteville, \$5,000 four-

to issue \$14,000 improvement bonds if they are approved by the voters there.

interior.

yesterday after a trip under guard from Canada. Mrs. Smith was released last night under \$7,500 bond. After refusing to talk with Federal agents or District Attorney Dewey Sanchez, Dr. Smith suddenly asked

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Mrs. James Monroe Smith

Mrs. James Monroe Smith, wife of the former head of Louisiana State

culosis sanatorium.

county, announced today a special legislative committee would leave Raleigh Tuesday to visit 16 or more cities and towns and

Charlotte, July 5-(AP)-Senator Joe Blythe, of Mecklenburg select a site for the \$450,000 Eastern North Carolina tuber-