



Thanks Giving



OUR SILVER ANNIVERSARY 1914-1939

Henderson Daily Dispatch

8 PAGES TODAY

ONLY DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN THIS SECTION OF NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA.

TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR

LEASED WIRE SERVICE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

HENDERSON, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, 1939

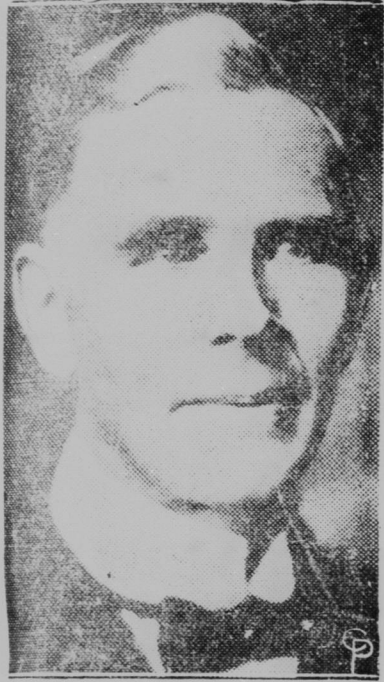
PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

FIVE CENTS COPY

Russia Invades Finland

Truck Regulations In Hauling Gasoline Cut Speed To 35 Mi.

Pretender Dies



Henry H. Colpus

Henry H. Colpus, 76, self-styled "Prince de Guelph," who declared he was the first son of King Edward VII of England, was found dead in a St. Petersburg, Fla., hotel room. According to his claim, his mother, a Quaker girl, was wed to Edward, at that time Prince of Wales, in 1892, and that after he was born Queen Victoria forced a divorce.

Drivers Must Not Work Over 55 Hours Weekly Under Proclamation Tomorrow Of Revenue Chief; Truck Operators Are Bitter.

Daily Dispatch Bureau In the Star-Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Nov. 30.—Regulations governing the transportation of gasoline and other dangerous combustibles will be issued by Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell tomorrow and will embrace three main points, including an invasion of the hours of work field, one laden with all sorts of potential political and legal dynamite. The three principal points in the regulations will be: (1) Drivers must not work more than 55 hours per week. (2) A flat speed limit of 35 miles per hour is made applicable to all trucks under the regulations. (3) Specific provisions for mechanical inspection of trucks and physical inspection of drivers. The commissioner recognizes that there will be plenty of controversy over the first two points, at least, and probably over every phase of the regulations. He started out with the apparent and cordial cooperation of the truck owners, but wound up completely behind the eight-ball so

(Continued on Page Two)

Daladier Is Given Fresh War Powers

Rule by Decree Approved by Chamber Group; Says France's Immediate Task Is to Win The War; To Remove War Threat.

Paris, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The Chamber of Deputies today approved the measure for extending the president's wartime powers, but only after a bitter struggle. The passage between the premier and deputies came shortly after Par-

(Continued on Page Three)

Business Trend Will Be Big Factor In Election

BY CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, Nov. 30.—Interviewed yesterday, Senator Carter Glass of Virginia refused to express himself relative to a Rooseveltian third nomination, on the ground that he didn't want to "create party friction." But he did say, "I know of no men better qualified for the presidency than Harry F. Byrd or John N. Garner."

Politicians take this as implying that in the old Virginian's opinion Senator Glass would be at least as good a Democratic candidate as F. D., among other possible selec-

tions. Furthermore, it generally is recognized that a third-term aspirant would be somewhat handicapped by the very fact of his third-term status. It's a handicap which wouldn't afflict Byrd or Garner. Therefore, the general interpretation is that, by inference, Senator Glass was saying that Byrd, Garner or some alternative old-line Democrat would be even better than F. D. In other words, assume that Roosevelt, Byrd and Garner are on a par. But there's something to be subtracted from Roosevelt's par; nothing to be subtracted from Byrd's or Garner's. That apparently is Senator Glass' reasoning.

As to Party Friction? Yes, as to "party friction"? Senator Glass might have meant that he didn't want to create any

(Continued on Page Two)



North Carolina Has Much To Be Thankful For Now

Good Business Conditions More Than Financing Broadest Public Spending Program in State's History; Record Revenue Likely.

By W. JOYNES MacFARLAN Raleigh, Nov. 30.—(AP)—North Carolina's State government had real reason to appreciate Thanksgiving this year—good business conditions were more than financing the broadest public spending program in the State's history. Revenue receipts were booming and the end was not in sight. In the revenue department, estimates made a year ago that income tax receipts next March 15 would be \$10,700,000 have been thrown out the window. Back in March Revenue Commissioner A. J.

Maxwell showed his stature as a prophet when he told the legislature that income would exceed budget calculations. The income tax estimates now range upward to nearer \$12,000,000, or so, which would exceed any previous year by \$700,000. The gasoline tax levy yielded steadily increasing revenue last fiscal year, and the increase has been even greater since July 1. Sales tax receipts also are on the upswing each

(Continued on page two)

Thanksgiving Is Observed In 26 States

(By The Associated Press.) Residents of 26 states observed Thanksgiving today while the rest of the states went about their ordinary business—the turkey and celebrations only a week old. The 26 states did not accept President Roosevelt's proclamation designating the holiday a week earlier than usual. But they included three—Colorado, Mississippi and Texas—which observed both days. Business generally took less of a holiday than it did last week, for many of the popular centers are situated in states which chose the earlier observance. New England declined to change its historic observance and Plymouth, Mass., prepared a 17th century pageant and feast commemorating the

U. S. Efforts To Be Futile

Moscow, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The United States delivered today to the soviet Russian government an offer of its services to mediate differences between Russia and Finland. The offer was delivered amid disquieting foreign radio reports that Soviet war planes already had bombed the outskirts of Helsinki. Vice Commissioner for Foreign Affairs Vladimir Potomkin accepted the offer without comment, and the feeling here was that the move would prove futile.

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday; probably followed by rain in the mountains Friday; not much change in temperature.

Hull Talks With F. D. R. About Crisis

Russia, Meanwhile, Advises U. S. It Need Not Attempt Peaceful Solution of War On Finland; May Break Off Relations.

Washington, Nov. 30.—(AP)—President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull began a conference on the outbreak of the Russo-Finnish war today immediately upon the chief executive's arrival in the capital from Warm Springs, Ga. Hull, whose last-minute efforts to bring about a peaceful settlement of the dispute between the Soviet Union and the small Baltic nation, appeared grave as he met the President at the Union Station. Almost simultaneously with the President's arrival, it became known that a Russian official had advised this government that he saw no need for it to use its good offices for a peaceful solution of the dispute. Finland Welcomes Move. Finland, on the other hand, advised that it would welcome the exercise of good offices, it was reported to the

(Continued on Page Three.)

Soviet Attack Upon Little Neighbor Is By Land, Air, Water

Finnish Foreign Minister Denies Russian Charge of Invasion or Threat; Purest Aggression, Erkkko Says; Defense Active.

Helsinki, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Soviet Russian troops, warships and war planes launched an invasion of Finland early today. Within a few hours, red army forces had pushed across the Finnish border on the Karelian isthmus north of Leningrad, war planes had twice bombed Helsinki, the capital, and set the port of Viipuri in flames, and warships had begun seizing Finnish islands in the Gulf of Finland.

Helsinki, Nov. 30.—(AP)—(5:20 p. m.)—Russian bombing planes set the southwestern section of Helsinki afire today in a sudden land, sea and air invasion of Finland. After Soviet bombers roared over the capital in successive raids, the sky over southwestern Helsinki was red early tonight with the glare of burning buildings hit during the afternoon's bombardment.

AP Writer Phones Out His Story

Bombs Crash About Correspondent at Helsinki as He Reads Message to Copenhagen Bureau; Finland Disclaims Guilt.

(Editor's Note.—In the midst of a new air bombardment of Helsinki by Soviet Russian planes, Lynn Heinzerling, The Associated Press correspondent in the Finnish capital, today telephoned the following story to the outside world by way of Copenhagen.)

BY LYNN HEINZERLING. Helsinki, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Fourteen Soviet planes were seen near Helsinki this afternoon but no bombs were dropped at first. The United States legation has arranged for quarters at Grand Coula, but has not yet decided to evacuate. Soberly, thoughtful as his office received reports from various points, Finnish Foreign Minister Eljas Erkkko made the following statement to The Associated Press: Here the telephone communication was interrupted by the crash of a bomb. "People outside are running for cover," said Heinzerling. An air raid warning has not yet been sounded, and they were caught unawares. Now continue Erkkko: "Despite the fact that we have shown to the last a willingness to try to find a peaceful solution of the difficulties which have arisen between Finland and Russia, in the face of the Soviet demands, and despite the fact we have tried all means possible

(Continued on Page Three.)

War Declared By Finland

London, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Helsinki today said that President Kallio issued a proclamation declaring war on Soviet Russia. The proclamation said that "with a view to maintaining the country's defense" and the constitution, the republic of Finland has entered a state of war. The dispatch said that Russian forces had occupied all of the Fisker peninsula.

Russia Wants Norway Bases

Oslo, Norway, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Rumors circulated here today, without confirmation, that Soviet Russia is demanding three naval bases on Norway's northern coast. (Norway's coast on the Arctic Ocean is separated from that of Russia only by Finland's narrow corridor to northern waters. Already Russia has demanded part of the Finnish coast.)

Chamberlain's View Is Russians Covet Finland

London, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain declared today it was "quite obvious" that Soviet Russia wants to dominate Finland, and termed Finland's attitude in the negotiations with Moscow from the outset "unprovocative." Chamberlain told the House of Commons the government "deeply regrets this fresh attack on a small independent nation which must result in fresh suffering and loss." Meanwhile, Great Britain returned today to ambitious plans for expanding her own world trade as a complement to her decision to cut off the flow of German exports. Development of this weapon of economic warfare was suggested by liberal leaders in Parliament, who proposed that the government take adequate measures to increase Britain's financial strength by developing her export trade. One commentator urged the nation to go after trade at all costs, outbidding and underselling Germany in countries which still would be accessible to her even if Britain's sea blockade were one hundred percent effective.

20 SHOPPING DAYS TILL Christmas