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MISS PERKINS CALLED "WOOZY" BY LEWIS

Catholic Persecution Charged

Killings In Poland Laid To Gestapo

Polish Embassy at Holy See Charges Atrocities Aimed at "Extermination of Catholic Polish Inhabitants".

Washington, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Polish embassy at the Holy See today made public a report charging the Gestapo, the Nazi police, and other authorities in the German-occupied section of Poland with persecution and extermination of Catholic Polish inhabitants.

The report, which was issued as a pamphlet and which embassy officials said was based on information of priests, charged the Gestapo with shooting at least 14 Catholics and being responsible for the deaths of five others by maltreatment with closing churches and during the Catholic religion underground; with beating, harassing and imprisoning; and with forcing a mass migration of Poles.

The report indicated that the Gestapo had been reported shot had been shot at specifically. German authorities in Berlin declined to comment on the specific charge that 14 priests had been shot but they did admit execution of priests allegedly found armed and charged with sniping.

Russians Say Finns Plan Conquest

Moscow, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Russian officials today received a report that the Finnish army was accused by the Russian command of contemplating conquest of Leningrad and restoration of the Romanoff dynasty.

The Leningrad communiqué said that nothing of importance took place on the front. Field Marshal Baron Carl Gustaf Mannerheim, commander-in-chief of the Finnish army, was accused by the newspaper of believing that the Russian invasion is the conquest of Leningrad and the restoration of the Romanoff dynasty.

TRAIN DERAILED AT WILSON TODAY

Wilson, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Seven Southern Railway freight cars were derailed here early today causing considerable damage. No one was injured.

The derailment was caused by a broken axle on a car. The engine and several cars were smashed together, another crashed through the wall of W. R. Rogers Co. building.

The main line of the road was closed for a block. The engine and cars were derailed.

Nazi Bombers Attack British Shipping

London, Jan. 29.—(AP)—German bombers were reported to have attacked British ships along the British east coast today. The most widespread raid or attack on British shipping in the war was reported to have taken place in the North Sea off the British coast today.

At least 10 ships were reported to have been attacked in the North Sea off the British coast today.

Flood Hits Massachusetts



Tide and wind combined to flood scores of homes in Quincy, Mass., marooning the families in them. Heavy ice cakes floated in with the tide and battered at porches. James Ellis is busy removing chunks of ice from front of his home to keep them from crashing through the walls. (Central Press)

Japanese Ban Food Imports At Tientsin

Thousands Of Russian Casualties

Finns Claim Victories On Eastern Front And Report Driving Russian Away From Helsinki.

Helsinki, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Finnish high command reported today that its troops had killed more than 1,250 Russians in two battles in which the invaders were driven back on the eastern front.

"About 800 Russian troops were killed and 100 taken prisoner northeast of Lake Ladoga," the army reported, and in a sector to the south "the enemy left 450 dead on the field."

While the Finns were acknowledging bitter fighting on the eastern front Soviet planes tried to raid Helsinki but were driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

McDonald's Anti-Diversion Speech Is Clue To His Support Of Broughton

Daily Instaten Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

By HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—The anti-diversion speech of Dr. Ralph W. McDonald before oil interests at Durham Friday was more than a ringing plea for the sanctity of highway funds—it was a definite clue to the McDonald support of J. M. Broughton in the current gubernatorial campaign.

Not that McDonald thinks Broughton would be any less likely to divert highway funds, under the existing tax structure of North Carolina, than would say, Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell; rather, he feels the rub, McDonald regards the Revenue Commissioner as the very personification of the "interests" he so vigorously attacked in the Durham address.

In short, when McDonald attacks wealthy interests, he feels he is attacking Maxwell as their chief representative and "friend at court" in the government. When he says here can be no tax relief for the average man "until the State government gets bigger than these in-

Residents of British And French Concessions Able to Buy Only Barest Necessities And at Double Prices.

Tientsin, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Only the barest food supplies were on hand in the British and French concessions today as housewives and servants crowded markets to buy provisions at double prices and fear of the worst shortage in more than seven months.

Import of all food to the foreign-controlled areas was banned as the Japanese again electrified the blockade areas and tightened other measures which first went into effect June 14.

Although the blockade was newly clamped down following expiration of the Japanese-American trade treaties and the British seizure of 21 Germans from a Japanese liner, it was said that the blockade was due to anti-Japanese elements within the concession.

To help meet the situation the British consul rescinded a regulation fixing the price of flour. Holders of flour had refused to sell at the fixed prices because their stock replacements would have cost double.

Florida's Truck, Fruit Crops Suffer

Damage to Citrus And Vegetable Crops Alone Estimated in Millions Following Greatest Cold in Twenty-Five Years.

Miami, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Sub-zero temperature began a retreat from the South today but left behind much suffering, more than 80 dead and damage estimated in the millions in Florida's citrus and vegetable-growing area alone.

Gripped by the most acute cold in 25 years since last Monday, sections from Louisiana to Virginia slowly emerged from snow and ice to count losses and make necessary adjustments for return to normal living.

As Florida's longest and most expensive cold in 25 years began moderation, officials said it would take several weeks to determine actual damage. They agreed, however, that the winter truck crop was a virtual loss and that the citrus crop was hard hit.

Cold Wave Moves On, Leaving New Records In Wake

(By The Associated Press) The cold wave that has harassed the Carolinas for more than a week moved eastward today establishing low records in the Piedmont and east central portions while some of the more mountainous areas returned to normalcy.

At Salisbury, in the heart of Piedmont section the mercury sank to -5 below zero.

Greensboro had a -5 while Burlington had the coldest night in many years.

In the east central section, Durham led the race with a -4. Raleigh reported a low of 11 degrees above and the western end saw lower readings were reported toward the Virginia line.

On Mt. Mitchell, highest peak east of the Mississippi, the low reading was 11 degrees.

Warmer weather was promised tonight and tomorrow. The weather bureau also forecast cloudy and snow flurries in the mountains.

Other low readings included: Charlotte 4, Asheville 3, Cape Hatteras 2, Elizabeth City 7, Hickory 6, and Wilmington 21.

Eight deaths attributable to the cold wave were reported. Noah Ford, 17, was killed at Rutherfordton when his car skidded and overturned. At Greenville, seven-year old Ernie Elizabeth Thomas brushed against a stove, her clothes ignited and she was fatally burned.

Mrs. Mary Koach Mahoney, 30-year old laboratory technician and Allen Luther, Jr., 18, both of Asheville, were killed when their sled ran into an automobile.

Near Fletcher, the Rev. John W. Miller of Spartanburg, was found frozen to death half a mile from a sanatorium in which he was a patient.

At High Point the clothing of Mrs. Florence Neal, 72, caught fire when she brushed against a stove and she was fatally burned.

At Greenville, William Gorman 25-year old Negro, died today of injuries suffered when his auto skidded on an ice-coated road and struck a tree.

At Smithfield, Sam T. Honeycutt, Jr., about 24, of Smithfield, died in Oak lake near here today when the ice coating of the water gave way under him. Honeycutt and two companions were walking on the frozen surface of the lake when the ice cracked. The other two persons got away safely.

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA Mostly cloudy and warmer tonight; snow flurries in the mountains; Tuesday partly cloudy and warmer.

Cops Halt a "Crime Wave"



Specializing only on drug stores for their holdups, two youths were arrested by Philadelphia detectives who abruptly cut short their brief crime career. Detective Charles Stenberg counts the loot, \$250. Joseph Case, one of the accused lads, is at right. (Central Press)

Farm Parity Fund Campaign Deferred

Congressional Economy Drive, Plus Uncertainties of European War, Cause Farm Leaders to Drop Drive For \$200,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Farm block leaders in the House have decided to defer and perhaps drop altogether their annual campaign for more than \$200,000,000 for parity payments to help swell agricultural income.

They said today that the Congressional economy drive plus the uncertainties of European war made it inadvisable to try to add that sum to the Agriculture Department Appropriation bill which will go before the House tomorrow.

Chairman Jones, Democrat, Texas, of the House agriculture committee, an active proponent of parity payments, commented "it may be that developments abroad will force prices up to a point where parity will not be needed as badly."

Parity payments are designed to raise a farmer's purchasing power to the 1909-1914 level.

President Roosevelt suggested \$781,000,000 for the next fiscal year. Congress voted about \$1,200,000,000 for the current year but that included \$225,000,000 for parity payments and about \$200,000,000 for road funds which under the President's reorganization program will be in another bill.

It was understood that the House appropriations committee which has cut more than \$113,000,000 from the president's budget recommendations, would continue its economizing when it approves the farm bill tomorrow.

More Than Half Of State's Senators Are Ineligible For Re-Election In 1940

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

By HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—More than half of North Carolina's State Senators are ineligible for re-election to the 1941 General Assembly, a survey of the fifty-member roster of 1939's legislature reveals.

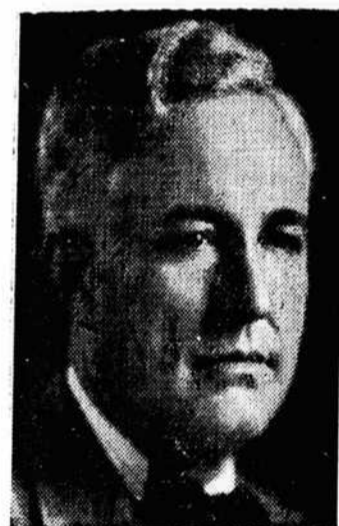
Chief cause of the ineligibility is the "rotation" system which is in vogue in most of the districts having more counties than senators in each Assembly, though a few members of the upper house have taken other jobs or are otherwise out of the running.

The survey indicates that not more than 20 members of the 1939 Senate can return, and there always exists the possibility that some of this score will retire voluntarily or what is more likely, meet defeat at the polls.

Included in the list of those normally ineligible to return are chairmen of the Senate's two most important committees—W. B. Rodman, Jr., of Washington, and Senator H. P. Taylor of Anson, though in the case of the Beaufort lawmaker it is an unwritten, rather than a formal rotation agreement which bars him. Anson will not have a senator and in Rodman's second district it has been the custom for a senator to serve two terms, then retire in order that some other county may get the honor. Rodman has served twice in a row.

Running over the list of twenty who can return if they want to and if they can persuade their constituents to let them, there are: Second: D. Bradford Fearing of Manteo, dad of the Lost Colony; Fourth: W. G. Clark of Edgecombe and Dr. T.

For Governor



PAUL GRADY

Paul Grady of Kenly will late today become the sixth formally announced candidate for governor, but the first to inject liquor into his platform, according to reliable reports received here today.

The Johnson county man will flatly advocate a Statewide referendum, although his home county has A. B. C. stores, and despite the fact that he reportedly urged them in local election.

Grady will strongly oppose diversion of highway funds. On the sales tax, he will swear undying opposition, but will not advocate immediate, unconditional repeal of the levy that nets about \$11,000,000 annually.

Official Of Pitt County Is Dead

Greenville, Jan. 29.—(AP)—J. C. Gaskins, 66, Pitt county register of deeds for 23 years, died at his home here today of a heart attack. He had been ill at Duke Hospital in Durham and at home for three weeks. He will be given a Masonic funeral here tomorrow afternoon.

He is survived by his widow and twelve children.

Rumanian Oil Struggle Is Intensified

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One newspaper declared "Britain and France can buy as much oil as they want from Rumania but have no right to oppose others getting their share."

Foreign-owned oil companies were accused of reducing production to prevent oil from reaching Germany.

Claims She Refused To Call Meeting

United Mine Workers Leader Expresses Contempt For Persons Who "Refuse to Relieve Distress of The Jobless".

Columbus, Jan. 29.—(AP)—John L. Lewis, describing Secretary of Labor Perkins as "woozy in the head" today expressed contempt for persons "who refused to raise their hands to relieve the distress of the jobless."

The UMW president, addressing the United Mine Workers convention, recalled that he had made repeated efforts to get Secretary Perkins and President Roosevelt to call a conference of labor, business and government officials to study unemployment problems.

Two weeks ago, he said, he sent four labor men to discuss the situation with Miss Perkins but she said that she did not think the situation serious and to give the Democratic party time and everything would be worked out.

Philip Murray, Lewis' first assistant, warned that "uprising might develop from people seeking a right to live" unless the unemployment problem is solved.

Speaking in favor of a resolution urging a White House conference among labor, agriculture and government, Murray told the United Mine Workers convention "the Federal administration in Washington, which has 10,000,000 citizens, 1,000,000 are idle and they represent 3,000,000 people."

Organized labor would be "a stupid sucker" Gen. Hugh S. Johnson asserted if it fails to follow Lewis' advice and "get sewed up in the bag of any party or politician."

Nazi Raiders Driven Off English Coast

London, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Air raid alarms sounded a second time over northern British coast today after Royal air force fighters and anti-aircraft guns had chased off a first group of German raiders.

The second was in an area north of the first which apparently involved part of northern England and Scotland.

Violent explosions were heard at sea off a north Yorkshire resort before the first air raid warning sounded in four towns along the northeast coast.

An air ministry communique said no enemy aircraft crossed the coast. The public calmly took shelter at one undisclosed inland Yorkshire town when observers reported what they believed were a number of German bombers.

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