

PRESIDENT UNABLE TO LEAVE BED AND CANCELS ALL WORK

His Private Secretary Reiterates That There Is No Cause For Alarm In His Condition.

HEAVY COLD IS CAUSING TROUBLE

The President Will Remain in Bed Today So As To Be Better Able to Fight Cold.

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—President Coolidge was confined today to his bed, suffering from what White House officials said was a heavy cold.

Reiterating that there was no cause for alarm, now was there any release in the President's condition, Secretary Sanders said Mr. Coolidge had decided to remain in bed in the hope that the cold could be controlled.

First effects of the illness were in evidence Tuesday night when the President at the last moment decided not to attend a dinner given in his and Mrs. Coolidge's honor at the home of Secretary Davis of the War Department.

Yesterday after a brief turn at his desk engagements were cancelled and he retired to the White House to rest.

Later, however, he returned to his office for an hour's work and afterwards took a short stroll about the White House grounds.

Major Jas. Coughlin, the President's physician is in attendance.

Mr. Coolidge from time to time has taken treatment from a Washington nose specialist but of late had not appeared to be benefited in this respect.

Condition Not Serious.

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—It was officially announced at the White House shortly after noon today that although President Coolidge was confined to bed he is suffering from "just a cold" and his condition is not serious.

MOTHER IS KILLED BY HER OWN SON

Cleaning Rod From Rifle Cuts Spinal Cord in Her Neck.

Lenoir, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Ivey Coffey died in a Hickory hospital Monday as a result of a shot fired by her six-year-old son on Sunday morning at her home in the Carey's Flat section.

On Saturday night Mrs. Coffey's brother came to spend the night with her, and brought with them a little .22 rifle. The rifle was placed under or about the bed where the boys roomed.

Next morning when the boys were ready to return to their home, they and Mr. Coffey were out in the yard and one of the boys said to the other, "Don't forget your gun."

The little boy heard this, went into the house for the gun, pleased to get to carry it out. Mr. Coffey and the boys hearing the report of a shot, hurried into the house where they found Mrs. Coffey sinking to the floor with the wooden cleaning rod, which was in the gun, shot into her neck.

The rod pierced the neck, passing out on the back side. Mr. Coffey pulled the rod out and placed his wife on the bed. As he did so he noticed that the bullet from the rifle had entered her neck at another place. Dr. W. T. Shipp, of Mortimer, was called immediately and she was given attention.

Realizing the seriousness of her condition, Dr. Shipp rushed her to a Hickory hospital where an X-ray picture was made. This examination showed that the stick had cut the spinal cord in her neck and that death was only a few hours ahead.

It is not known how the little boy happened to shoot his mother. It is not known whether he snatched the gun at her for fun as he passed her or whether he was working with the lock and let it go off.

Mrs. Coffey was taken back to Carey's Flat for burial. She is survived by her husband and four little children, the oldest being six years and the youngest a four months' old baby.

Disapproves LaGuardia Resolution. Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The House judiciary committee today disapproved the resolution introduced by Representative LaGuardia, socialist of New York, asking the Attorney General to furnish Congress with information about an alleged bread trust.

The committee acted after receiving a communication from Attorney General Sargent stating that a suit in equity already had been filed in Baltimore against the Ward Baking Corporation and its subsidiaries.

Thinks The Aluminum Company Can Sustain Manner Of Operation

Senate Is Told by Senator Cummins That Contempt Charges Cannot Be Successfully Maintained.

WANTS SENATE TO DROP THE MATTER

The Senator Also Challenges the Right of the Senate to Make Further Investigation of Case.

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—After a full investigation the Department of Justice has reached the conclusion that contempt proceedings against the Aluminum Company of America cannot by any possibility be successfully maintained.

This announcement was made today by Chairman Cummins of the Senate Judiciary Committee in a minority report opposing the Senate investigation as to whether the Aluminum Company, in which Secretary Mellon is a large stockholder, had violated the Federal court decree of 1912.

The question whether the Senate is to supplement the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission investigation was a special order of business for today. Involved in the controversy is the whole question of the extent to which the Senate inquiries are to be ordered in the future.

Senator Cummins said the Department was "in possession of all the information known or believed to exist, including not only everything that was available to the Federal Trade Commission, but also any information submitted to the commission."

"After carefully considering the entire case and exhausting every available source of information," Senator Cummins said "the Department has reached the conclusion that contempt proceedings cannot by any possibility be successfully maintained."

In view of the findings Senator Cummins challenged the legal right of the Senate to make further investigation.

"It is the judgment of the minority of the committee," the report added, "that there is no constitutional authority for the resolution (of investigation) recommended in the majority report, that if the course indicated in the proposed resolution becomes the settled practice of the Senate the overthrow of our form of government is certain to result."

The struggle which must ensue will end either in the complete subordination of the executive or judicial branches of the government to the legislative branch, or in subjecting the legislative power to the executive power. Stripping the proposal to enter upon this inquiry of everything save its bare essentials, it means just this, no more and no less.

"The Senate because it doubts the conclusion reached by the Department of Justice, is to try the Aluminum Co. for alleged violation of the decree. If it finds the defendant guilty it will then set about discovering a lawyer who holds the senate's opinion, and direct the President to employ him."

"We deny the right or power of the Senate to try this case. We deny the jurisdiction of the senate or any committee of the senate to summon and hear witnesses upon the issue of a violation of this decree."

DAPPER YOUNG MAN POSSES AS DUKE AGENT

Said to Have Cashied in Strong in Various Cities in the Two Carolinas and Georgia.

Durham, Feb. 17.—Charles Maynard, represented as a dapper young man with a dissipated appearance, has been "cashing in" on his representation in North and South Carolina and Georgia cities that he is an agent of Duke University, according to numbers of reports that came to Prof. R. L. Flowers, business head of the institution, most of them through the Fidelity bank, of Durham, on whose checks Maynard is said to have received money.

Dunn, N. C., Camden and Columbia, S. C., and Augusta, Ga., are the places from which Maynard signed checks that have come to Durham, the bank reports. He was last heard of about a week ago in Augusta, Ga., evidently working his way southward.

Duke university has no representative in the field now, and never has, except during the summer months, and then with complete credentials, Professor Flowers states.

Upward Trend of Food Prices. Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Southern restaurant owners want to know how they are going to meet the upward trend of raw food costs and not increase the price of cooked food.

This and other problems of the restaurant business are expected to give restaurant operators of seven Southern States a busy two days when they meet here March 9 and 10 under the auspices of the National Restaurant Association in the first convention of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi. The meeting will be open to all restaurant men in Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Kentucky.

A woman who died in London some months ago is said to have left the longest will on record. It consisted of more than 1,000 sheets of ninety words each.

Her Smile Means Sunshine



Miss Estella Southard of Joplin, Mo., has been chosen as the "Ozark Smile Girl" by the Ozarks Playground Association. The choice was made because of her smile which the members declared was symbolic of sunshine.

INJURIES TO A. N. BOGER PROVE FATAL

Son of R. F. Boger, of This County, Dies in Hospital From Injuries Received Saturday.

Charlotte, Feb. 18.—(AP)—A. N. Boger, 39, of Charlotte, who was injured Saturday night when run down by an automobile, died at a local hospital today. He was a son of R. F. Boger, of near Concord. His wife was Miss Carrie Laughlin, of Concord, before her marriage.

D. H. Alexander, Greenville, S. C., salesman, is being held charged with running down Boger, and T. C. Mauney, of Stanly Creek, who also suffered injuries, but who is expected to recover.

Alexander is at liberty under a \$5,000 bond.

Electrical Energy of Western North Carolina.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Western North Carolina has a potential electrical energy supply of 1,500,000 horsepower, including developed and yet unharvested sources, it has been shown by the government survey of the Tennessee River and its tributaries reaching westward, conducted by army engineers.

Sites for plants to develop this power would be found for the most part on the French Broad, the Pigcon, Little Tennessee and Hiwassee Rivers, the survey indicated.

There will be Lenten service at the St. Andrews Lutheran Church this evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited.

FRED TATE CHAIRMAN OF PIEDMONT BOOSTER

High Point Man Elected at Meeting Held During Day at Salisbury.

Salisbury, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Fred Tate, prominent furniture manufacturer of High Point, was named permanent chairman of the Piedmont Boosters in meeting here today to form an organization to push this section of the state. The meeting is being attended by about 125 prominent citizens of this section, representatives of a score or more towns.

Following a dinner served at a local hotel the meeting went into executive session to perfect the organization.

"Rules of Sportsmanship" at Davidson.

Davidson, N. C., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Coach William L. (Monk) Yongner, director of athletics at Davidson College, and prominent in athletic coaching in North Carolina for a number of years, has made public his "Rules of Sportsmanship" which he drills into his players regularly.

They follow: "1. Show courtesy to your opponents—be gentlemen and ladies—and treat opponents as such. "2. Play the game according to the spirit of the rules—fair play. "3. Abide by the decisions of the officials without remarks or heckling. "4. Be courageous losers, but do not give up when the score is going against you. Play your best to the end—have grit. "5. Be a modest winner. Do not boast of the victories or 'rub it in.' Cheer your opponents—applaud good plays of both teams. Take pride in upholding the good 'Wild Cat Spirit' of our college. Good sportsmanship between contestants leads to friendship. "When the one Great Scorer comes To write against your name He writes—not that you won or lost, But how you played the game."

TO CONTINUE SALE OF MEMORIAL COINS

Coins Will Be Kept on Sale Until March 17th as Part of Harvest Campaign, Hollins Randolph States.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Although the harvest campaign for the sale of the South's allotments of Confederate Memorial half dollars has closed in most of the states, the record of coins purchased will be kept open until midnight March 17th.

This announcement was made today by Hollins N. Randolph, president of the Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial Association. Mr. Randolph's statement follows:

"The Association now is making up a record of Confederate Memorial half dollars purchased in each southern state and every city and town in the harvest campaign. The record will be written in a separate book for each state, with separate pages for each town and city. These books will be deposited in a vault provided for that purpose in Stone Mountain Confederate Hall.

The campaign closed in Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama. It will close in Florida, Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri on March 1st.

According to a statement given in Charlotte yesterday by Cameron Morrison of the sales work in that state, the North Carolina campaign closes March 17th.

DAMAGES RESULTANT OF CIVIL WAR GIVEN

Texas Woman Awarded Claims For Damage Caused By Federal Soldiers in Louisiana.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Settlement of a civil war claim for damages made by the federal forces was voted today by the senate in approving a bill authorizing payment of \$7,067.02 to Mrs. Winona A. Dixon, of Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Dixon, who now is 75 years old, is the sole heir of two plantations near Port Hudson, La., which were occupied during the war by union troops under General N. P. Banks, who seized about 300 bales of cotton to use in fortifying defenses.

While similar seizures were made in many instances during the war, Mrs. Dixon's claim was allowed by the court of claims on the grounds that her mother, who died during the war, was friendly to the federal forces and assisted them.

The parents of Mrs. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose, died during the war and the sister and brother of Mrs. Dixon died shortly after, leaving her the sole heir. The court ruled that cotton and property valued at \$11,500 was seized by General Banks' troops but held that the brother of Mrs. Dixon was not loyal to the union cause although she and her sisters were. It, therefore, allowed the claims of two-thirds of this sum.

Mrs. Dixon first entered suit for the damage in 1902, stating in a petition that she had not done so sooner because of advice of attorneys. The bill was pressed for action by Senator Sheppard, Democrat, of Texas. It must be approved now by the house.

Thirty-Five Dead And Like Number Missing In Utah Mining Town

Persons Were Killed When valanche Crashed on the Highland Boy Mining Camp Without Warning.

FEAR 70 PEOPLE HAVE PERISHED

Eighteen of Dead Bodies Found So Far Have Been Identified—Rescue Workers on the Job.

Bingham, Utah, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Thirty-five known dead, with an equal number of persons missing was the toll early today of the avalanche that overwhelmed the Highland boy mining camp at Sap Gulch near here yesterday.

Officials directing the search of the scrambled ruins of a score of buildings, one a three-story frame boarding place housing fifty persons, expressed the belief that in the neighborhood of seventy lives have been lost.

Frank A. Wardlaw, superintendent of the Utah-Delaware Mining Company which operates the Highland Boy workings, made up a list of 20 missing persons which included only the owners and lessees of houses destroyed. He was unable to say how many other persons might have lived in the cabins, although it is known there were some alien borders not employed by the mining company.

Only eighteen of the dead have been identified, and it is possible that seventeen identified bodies were bodies of those listed as missing and believed dead. On that basis, with only fifty-five missing, the final death toll would be in the neighborhood of fifty-three.

The rescue workers numbering more than fifty were spurred on in their attack upon the debris by finding alive Jimmie McDonald and his wife, owners of a boarding place. They were found after more than fourteen hours imprisonment under the wreckage.

The McDonalds were brought out late last night after all hope had been given up for those remaining buried.

LEAVES HER PERSONAL PROPERTY TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Alexander's Bequest to Institution in Charlotte About \$15,000.

Charlotte, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Walter S. Alexander, prominent Charlotte woman who died here recently, left all of her personal estate, with the exception of several small bequests, to the Presbyterian Hospital, in fee simple, it was learned. The hospital will receive at least \$15,000.

The trust department of the Commercial National Bank and R. A. Dunn are joint executors of the estate.

The trust department of the Commercial Bank is executor under the will of the late Walter S. Alexander, who died May 29, 1924, and is administering the estate for the children.

Mrs. Alexander left her property to the hospital as an additional memorial to the memory of her husband. She dedicated a room to the memory of her husband soon after his death.

City Manager Plan is Pronounced the Best.

Charlotte, Feb. 17.—An advocacy of the city manager plan of government in preference to the commission plan now in force in Charlotte, was made by Louise Lipinsky, retiring president of the Charlotte Merchants Association, in the annual meeting of the association held last night in the Hotel Charlotte.

"I believe that the manager government is the only way to secure a business-like, efficient city government," said Mr. Lipinsky.

"The weakness of the commission form is that the salary is not sufficient to keep the best men. In addition to this, the men secured are not trained in the work. With a city manager, enough could be paid to secure a man who has made a life work of just this sort of thing."

Examples of cities which had adopted this government were given by Lipinsky. Greensboro and Cincinnati were pointed out as being places where it had been successful.

Greensboro Jews Start Relief Drive.

Greensboro, Feb. 17.—Hebrews of this city today at noon had secured \$17,000 of the \$30,000 quota of this city in the drive for funds for relief of Jews in Russia, Poland, Rumania and Bessarabia. They are confident that the will obtain the remainder.

Several substantial gifts have been made by Gentiles, although they are not being solicited. The quota for the state is \$200,000, and for the United States \$15,000,000.

With Our Advertisers. Only three more days of Efrid's February Sale, Friday, Saturday and Monday. Everything is included in this sale—clothing, shoes, wearing apparel and household needs. Oranges, 65 cents a peck, and apples 50 cents a peck, at 19 North Union street. Two pants suits, \$35.00, at Hoover's. In a host of 1926 patterns and fabrics. The United States and Russia are now the two foremost Jewish countries in the world; they contain about three-fourths of the world's Jews.

TROUBLE MARKS THE REOPENING OF THE ANTHRACITE MINERS

500 Workers at Pittston Went on Strike Because of the Dispute Over the Wage Rates.

MANY MINERS ARE STILL IDLE

Company Hands Could Not Work at Jobs Because Miners Refused to Resume Duties.

Wilkes Barre, Pa., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Trouble marked the reopening of the anthracite mines here today after nearly six months idleness.

Five hundred workers employed by the Pennsylvania Coal Company at the No. 4 shaft at Pittsburg went on strike a few minutes after the resumption of operations.

The dispute arose over wage rates, a sore spot in the upper hard coal district for years.

Trouble was also reported at the Woodward mine on the west side, but operations were continued.

A score of company hands were turned back from various operations shortly after the opening of the mines because of failure of miners to report for work.

FORECAST CONFERENCE AGREEMENT ON TAXES

House Conferees Expected to Win in Fight For Restoration of Inheritance.

Washington, Feb. 17.—After three days of wrangling over differences in the administrative provisions of the revenue bills, senate and house conferees prepared tonight to fight out the variations in tax reductions voted by their respective chambers.

The \$125,000,000 in reductions written into the bill by the senate in addition to those approved by the house has provided the conference with issues on which neither side thus far has yielded. There are definite indications, however, that both will make some concessions in the discussion of the rate schedules beginning tomorrow.

House conferees determined to have restored to the bill the inheritance tax eliminated by the senate, and are expected to win. Senate conferees, however, are expected to obtain their provision for greater reductions than voted by the house in the question of the rates.

The senate is expected to yield on its proposals to wipe out entirely the taxes on automobiles and admissions, in favor of reductions in these rates from the present level.

The senate and house conferees planned to hold separate meetings on the question of the rates tomorrow morning before resuming their joint conference, which is held behind closed doors. After a busy afternoon, leaders of both sides tonight were more optimistic that an agreement would be reached before the end of the week, which they considered in time for the tax reductions to be necessary if the bill is to become law effective when first returns are filed March 15.

Track Practice for Davidson Wildents.

Davidson, N. C., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Track practice for the Davidson College Wildcat cinder path trodders will begin about February 20, according to an announcement made here by Coach Tex Tilson.

With only five letter men back, Coach Tilson will have a number of positions to be filled by new material. The letter men who will be eligible for the team this year are: Captain Anderson, Willford, Goodykointz, Brand and Calhoun.

Two Willed in Train Wreck.

Watertown, N. Y., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Two men were killed today when the New York Central passenger train from Utica carrying New York sleepers ran head-on into a freight train near the Caster Lake station. The dead are: W. Bell, engineer, and J. C. Quinn, fireman of the passenger train.

Quinn \$1,033,000; Has \$200. New York, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Oliver Morosco, theatrical and motion picture producer, filed an involuntary petition in bankruptcy in the Federal court today. He listed his liabilities at \$1,033,000, and his assets at \$200.

RAIN TONIGHT, FRIDAY GENERALLY FAIR AND COLDER EXCEPT POSSIBLY RAIN ON NORTHEAST COAST.

Fresh to strong southeast winds, shifting to westerly late tonight.

Advertisement for JOANNA featuring a portrait of a woman and the text: 'JOANNA says: Most men can look into any woman's eyes and say "I love you" with a free conscience and without a quiver. Watch this paper for further news of Joanna's thrilling love story. What Would You Do With a Million Dollars?'

Advertisement for SAT'S BEAR SAYS! featuring a cartoon bear and the text: 'Rain tonight, Friday generally fair and colder except possibly rain on northeast coast. Fresh to strong southeast winds, shifting to westerly late tonight.'