

TUESDAY LOSSES ON STOCK EXCHANGE TO REACH HIGH TOTALS

Paper Losses, Following Biggest Slump in Two Years, May Amount to Billion Dollars.

RAIL SHARES HAD HARDEST SLEDDING

Hinted That the Decision Against the Nickel Plate Merger Caused the Big Break.

New York, March 3.—(AP)—Estimates today of paper losses from the first big smash in quoted values on the New York Stock Exchange in two years ran as high as a billion dollars. The break came in the last hour of trading yesterday or about an hour before disapproval of the Nickel Plate merger was announced at Washington. Today there was much discussion of the possibility of a leak in the news, especially as rails were hit hard. E. H. Simmons, president of the exchange, said that news of the decision reached the exchange through regular channels so far as he knew, and came after the market closed. The general decline in value of issues was 1 to 15 points, and was the most severe break the market has had since the deflation of 1921.

EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION

Twelve North Carolinians Appointed By Governor McLean.

Raleigh, N. C., March 3.—(AP)—Governor McLean today announced the appointment of 12 North Carolinians who will form the Educational Commission, authorized by the last general assembly to make a complete survey and investigation of educational problems and methods of administration in the state.

On the commission, the Governor named the following: Charles A. Webb, Asheville; Mrs. E. L. McKee, Sylva; James O. Carr, Wilmington; James K. Norfleet, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Joseph A. Brown, Chadbourn; Thos. D. Warren, New Bern; Dr. J. Joyner, Raleigh; C. E. Tongue, Sanford; Mrs. J. G. Fearing, Elizabeth City; Mrs. M. Andrews, High Point; S. D. Robinson, Wadesboro; and S. G. Estess, Shelby.

The provision for the commission was made by a resolution adopted by the last General Assembly. The adoption of this resolution followed extended debate in the legislature over the school system of the state, the administration of the school system in general, and the operation of the state equalization fund in particular. The commission is authorized to make a complete survey and investigation of common school system in the state; of the system of higher education in use; of the administration of the equalization fund; the method of determining the cost of determining the various stages of the operation of the state educational system; and to collect and compile and disseminate educational data in order to give the people of the state the complete status of the cost and results of the state's educational activities.

The commission is to act without compensation, except for a travel and expense account of not exceeding \$6 per day.

Studying Better Sewing Methods.

Asheville, N. C., March 2.—(AP)—Club girls and farm women in Buncombe county are studying better sewing methods under the leadership of Miss Anna Edwards, the new home agent recently placed in the county. During the past week there were meetings of the different clubs at Jupiter, Fairview, Black Knob, Tweed and Sand Hill. Many of the club girls are learning to measure for patterns and to draft and cut them for use in sewing. The women of the Tweed Community are also making money weaving and selling rugs.

Underweight Children Being Studied.

Jackson, N. C., March 2.—(AP)—About thirty children who are ten per cent or more underweight are being studied by the home economic class in the Rich Square school, reports Miss Mary Sue Wiglet, the home agent of the county. The home economic girls are working with the undernourished children, weighing them each week and making growth charts so as to help them overcome their deficiencies. Meanwhile the home agent and the teachers are visiting the mothers of these children and securing their co-operation in feeding the proper foods, such as milk and eggs.

National Army in China Defeated.

Peking, March 3.—(AP)—Decisive defeats for the Kuomintang or national army on two fronts are reported today, indicating the rapid development of a new phase in the civil war which may bring new masters to Peking now controlled by the Kuomintang under Feng Yuxiang.

New Kind of Society Formed.

Rochester, N. Y., March 3.—(AP)—The Rochester Journal and the Post Express say today that the "Damned Souls" society has been formed by students at the University of Rochester, a Baptist institution "to prove the necessity of atheism and to abolish belief in God and all religious based on that belief."

Beauty Censor



Dr. Frank B. Broderick is now Detroit's beauty censor. The city got all excited over an unfounded report that a woman had been electrocuted in a downtown beauty parlor, so Dr. Broderick was appointed to supervise the city's 1200 beauty parlors.

ARNOLD'S LETTER SHOWS HE BETRAYED FOR PRICE

Letter of Traitor Sold in America Recently For \$3,900.

New York, March 3.—(AP)—Benedict Arnold believed that had he been able to carry out his plans for the betrayal of America, the Revolutionary War would have brought to an end favorable to the British and he so expressed himself in a letter written in 1783. Little did the traitor think at the time he wrote Thomas Townsend, "one of his Majesty's principal secretaries of state," asking that he and his officers in a provincial corps be put on the British establishment, that the communication later would be sold in America for \$3,900. The price, which was obtained at an American Art Gallery sale, was a record one and would have been a small fortune at the time Arnold was in dire need of funds.

Addressed as "The Memorial of Benedict Arnold," the letter follows: "Humblely sheweth that your Memorialist influenced by sentiments of loyalty to the King and attachment to the British constitution has sacrificed a handsome property in America, and prospects that were extremely flattering and at the most eminent hazard of his life co-operated with Sir Henry Clinton, commander-in-chief of the British army in America, but his intentions and measures being discovered, they could be brought to the happy issue which promised to put a favorable end to the war in America, he was so fortunate as to escape from the Americans, and having joined the British army at New York he exerted himself in raising a provincial corps, at a very great expense to himself, and officers, under the idea and promise that his corps (called the American Legion), should be put on the establishment when completed. But having raised about four hundred men, his officers were, (for reasons unknown to him) prevented by the commander-in-chief from completing their numbers.

"Your memorialist begs leave to observe that a number of provincial corps (without any greater claim to merit than his, and other corps) have been put on the British establishment through the interest of their commanding officer. "Your memorialist therefore prays in behalf of himself and officers, (most of whom are Americans who have sacrificed their property by joining the King's army), that you will be pleased to take his and their case into your consideration, and he has the greatest confidence from the justice of his claim, that your interest will be used to have his corps put on the British establishment, that his officers may have some recompense for their exertions, and the sacrifices which they have made, and that an adequate provision by some appointment, or other reward may be made for his losses, and sacrifices which he has made in promoting the interest of his country—and your memorialist is in duty bound will ever pray."

Beautifying Rural Home and School Grounds.

Newton, N. C., March 3.—(AP)—The grounds around 22 homes, one church and two schools will be beautified by home demonstration club members in Catawba county as the result of a movement started last week by Miss Anna C. Rowe, home agent. Miss Rowe made plans for beautifying the grounds after conferring with the home owners. In some cases the ladies stated it would cost from \$75 to \$100 each to have the plans made while they could use the native shrubbery such as suggested by Miss Rowe to improve the appearance of their homes at little expense.

Largest Peacetime Appropriation Bill Signed.

Washington, March 2.—(AP)—President Coolidge today signed the largest peacetime appropriation bill in history, the annual supply measure for the Treasury and Postoffice departments, carrying \$68,281,501.

The bill was the first of the yearly appropriation measures to reach the White House.

Jack Dempsey Claims His Ancestors Were Irish, Scotch and American.

The British women's open golf championship will be held this year on the course at Royal St. David's, Harloch, on May 10 to 14. George A. Stone and W. T. Leslie, Jr., of Charlotte, representing the Dodge cars, were in Concord Monday.

See Possibility During Year of Linking Power Plants More Closely

Atlanta Paper Quotes New York Man Who Has Aided in Working Out Present System. SURPLUS POWER TO BE UTILIZED Power Companies to Lines So That Power Can Be Sent to All Parts of the Country.

GRAPE GROWERS UNHURT BY DEMISE OF SALOON

Grape Growing Industry Under Prohibition Has Not Been Injured. San Francisco, March 3.—(AP)—Six years of grape growing in California under national prohibition have proven unfounded fears of vineyard owners that abolition of the saloon would injure the market for their product.

Shipments of grapes from this state have increased from 21,005 cars in 1919 to 72,116 last year. Statistics of the Agricultural Economics bureau of the department of agriculture do not distinguish between so-called "wine" and "table" grapes. Therefore they do not show whether it is hunger or thirst that has caused the more than 300 per cent. increase in the demand of other states for the product of California vineyards.

Before ratification of the Eighteenth amendment grapes sold around \$20 a ton. Since the law was enacted prices have several times soared over \$100 a ton. Acreage has increased but not in ratio to the growth of carload shipments. Much of the increase in the shipment figures are due to the fact that a considerable part of the crop once used in winemaking within the state now goes to other markets.

As the California grapegrower takes stock of his last year's business and looks to the coming season with optimistic eyes, "Winchaven," before prohibition referred to as the world's largest storage center for wine, is being dismantled. It was built immediately after the San Francisco fire of 1906 on a seven acre tract on Point San Pablo at a cost of \$3,500,000, including cottages for 200 employees. The winery had vats and cellars with a total capacity of 9,500,000 gallons. When filled its stock had a value of \$10,000,000.

In its heyday Winchaven owned a fleet of 150 railroad tank cars and it was in these that the last of the wine was transported under armed guards to San Francisco to be stored in bonded warehouses when the California Wine Growers' Association decided to abandon the once famous institution and to attempt to sell the property for some other use.

COBB AND NEWCOMB ON ALL-STAR TEAM

Were High Scorers in Basketball Tournament at Atlanta. Atlanta, March 3.—(AP)—Two members of the champion University of North Carolina quintet were placed on a composite all-star team published today by the Atlanta Journal from selections submitted by more than a dozen sports writers.

Cobb, high scorer for the second consecutive year, and Newcomb, whose work was sensation in his first year of tournament play, were picked unanimously. They were the backbone of the Carolina attack, and Newcomb was runner-up in the high score tabulation.

Schools Serve Hot Lunches.

Rosnoke Rapids, N. C., March 3.—(AP)—Nine rural schools out of 24 in Halifax county are serving hot lunches to the children, states Miss Hazel Ervin, home agent. Three of the schools have very little equipment and the authorities are using the kitchen stove for the cooking while the children bring their own cups, bowls and spoons.

Miss Ervin has found that the club girls are great aids in this luncheon project as they are divided into cooks, housekeepers, and servers. Responsibility is shifted once each week and a general supervisor is elected from month to month. This latter office is usually filled by one of the girls who has demonstrated great efficiency and generally is one of the older club members.

Tinsel Wigs to Hide the "Bob."

Paris, March 3.—Evening wigs of gold or silver tinsel thread or of colored silks are worn in Paris by those who realize that the "shingle," however desirable in the daytime, looks incongruous on so many evening frocks. The wigs are made upon a strong net or muslin cap, which fits closely to the head.

The colors chosen have no connection with the natural hair. The idea is not to look natural, but to look one's best. If pale blue is the color that will help towards that end, one can have pale blue silk in the evening and be a brunette again next morning, with a suitable complexion for each occasion.

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Figures in Indiana's "Worldly" Trial



Because Clyde Martin, former high school principal at Palmyra, Ind., built a community house, organized a basketball team and provided recreation facilities for the young people of the town, elders of the Palmyra Church of Christ have accused him of being "worldly and un-Christian," and are seeking to oust him from the church. These pictures were taken at his first trial, when it was voted to refer the case to the entire congregation. At the left, above, is Charles Ellis, elder who brought the charges against Martin; below is William Boston, who presided at the trial. At the right B. B. Boston, his brother, and editor of the town's only paper, is shown carrying a huge Bible to the church to use in his testimony against Martin.

HOUSE COMMITTEE DEFEATS PROPOSAL

To Create Department of National Defense—Vote on the Proposal Was 11 to 10. Washington, March 3.—(AP)—The House military committee has ten to eleven votes today refused to report a bill to create a department of national defense.

It also refused by another close vote to report a measure proposing creation of a unified air service, and likewise a bill to create a separate air corps in the army.

200 CHILDREN ESCAPE FROM BLAZING SCHOOL

They Do Perfect Fire Drill When Millbrook School in Wake County is Destroyed. Raleigh, Mar. 2.—Millbrook school, about eight miles from Raleigh, was destroyed by fire this afternoon following the noon recess from which the children in eight rooms had returned to their books.

They were immediately assembled and marched from the building, the 200 young people doing a perfect fire drill under actual fire. The loss to the building is approximately \$50,000 with insurance on somewhat more than half of it. The structure was one of the best that the county had outside the city system.

Raleigh firemen went out with their paraphernalia, but of course were handicapped by the long lead which the blaze had before the company could make the distance. The origin of the fire has not been established but it is believed to have come from the furnace.

With Our Advertisers.

Lower prices of the Hudson and Essex cars went into effect last Saturday. The new prices are as follows: Essex six coach \$905, Hudson coach \$1350, Hudson Brougham, \$1605, Hudson seven-passenger sedan \$1765. These are the prices delivered in Concord. See ad. elsewhere.

Make your hens lay and your chicks and pullets grow by giving them Corn feeds. See ad. of Cline & Moore.

The Standard Buick Co. has five used cars for sale. See list in ad. in this paper.

Don't forget Oliver Day at York & Wadsworth Co.'s next Friday, March 5th. Ten per cent, off on all farming implements on that day only. Free lunch will be served.

Harry Rosenberger, representing Schloss Bros., will be at Hoover's on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week with a very handsome line of spring and summer samples, and will be ready to take your order.

Better listen to the insurance agent—see new ad. of Fetzer & Yorke Insurance Agency.

See Patt Covington's ad. today. Store back of city hall.

Happy Home house dresses, fast color gingham in fancy plaids and solid colors, sizes 36 to 60 only 95 cents at Ehrd's, while they last.

Students' ideas in the suit for spring, at J. C. Penny Co.'s, and the price is only \$19.78. English model suits that make a hit.

During the investigations in connection with the first census in the history of ersia, a woman aged 140, with a son aged 117, were found living in the village of Mochin, at the foot of Alwand Mountain.

D. A. R. CONFERENCE STARTS IN EARNEST ON MANY PROBLEMS

With the Preliminaries Out of the Way, Business Questions Demand Attention Now.

REPORTS WILL BE HEARD TODAY

Mrs. Edwin Clarke Gregory, State Regent, is Presiding at Sessions of the Conference.

Charlotte, March 3.—(AP)—The 20th annual conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution entered into actual business sessions at the state gathering here today.

Mrs. Edwin Clarke Gregory, of Salisbury, state regent, was presiding when the conference started at 10 o'clock, with many state reports to be brought before the assembly.

A luncheon at noon was to be followed by another business session at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

KELLOGG DECLINES TO EXPLAIN HIS ACTIONS

Will Not Tell Committee Why He Barred Countess Karolyi From This Country.

Washington, March 3.—(AP)—Secretary Kellogg declined today to disclose to the Senate foreign relations committee even in secret the reasons why the Countess Karolyi was excluded from this country.

The Karolyi case, as well as that of the Countess of Cathcart, was brought up by Senator Johnson, republican, California, but the Secretary said he preferred not to discuss them at this time.

The committee had before it a resolution by Senator Wheeler, democrat, of Montana, proposing an investigation of the exclusion of the Countess Karolyi, but this matter was not brought up, the Secretary appearing primarily to oppose the bill of Chairman Borah under which he would be shorn of the war time powers which were invoked to deny her admittance.

Mr. Kellogg was closeted with the committee for two hours and was questioned at some length. An unusual veil of secrecy was thrown around the whole proceedings. Chairman Borah declined to make any statement other than to say Mr. Kellogg was opposed to his bill.

Bouquet For Simmons For Work on Tax Bill.

Washington, Mar. 2.—"The great middle class of the people who are the salt of the earth, should be grateful to you," E. S. Parker, Jr., of Greensboro, today wrote Senator F. M. Simmons in a letter of congratulations for his part in the passage of the new revenue bill.

"And the Democratic party everywhere recognizes you as one of its leaders and in North Carolina I believe every citizen feels a pride in your achievements."

Let the Women Do the Work.

Glacier Park, Mont., March 3.—There is a reason among the Indians for the equivalent to the slogan "Let the women do the work." The braves always have specialized on hunting while the squaws accomplished themselves the task of doing everything pertaining to domestic life. As a matter of fact the Indian man would be about as handy in setting up tepees as the reader's great-grandfather would have been arranging the parlor furniture and washing dishes for his wife.

Florida Protest Before Committee.

Washington, March 2.—(AP)—The question of whether Florida land acreage is to be computed at high or low tide was brought before the House public lands committee today in a protest by Attorney General Johnson, of that State, against the Sinnott bill to give the Federal government control of certain coastal land.

The fact that June 2 is the date of the great English Derby this year is causing no end of misgivings among superstitious race followers in the British Isles. June 2, as commonly expressed in figures, is 2-4-26, or the double of 26, which figure is itself double of the terrible 13. So the turf followers are predicting that most anything may happen in a race run on such unlucky days.

Although women have less hair in these days than formerly, much more time and money are spent in keeping it in order and hairdressing establishments for women are tremendous on the increase both in America and Europe.

SAT'S BEAR SATS:



Fair and continued cold tonight, Thursday fair, rising temperature. Fresh to strong northwest winds.