

THE WEATHER

Weather: North Carolina: Rain Friday; Saturday fair; strong east winds, possibly reaching gale force late tonight and Friday, and shifting to northwest.

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STATE REFUSES SELL A. AND N. C. RAIL STOCK

Warrant Against Governor McLean Is Withdrawn

Governor Tells New York Banker Would Not Consider Sale

Over 12,000 Shares of "Mullet Road" Stock Owned by State of North Carolina

ROAD HAS LONG LEASE

Norfolk-Southern Has Lease on Property Which Has 70 Years to Run

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 7. (AP)—North Carolina is not interested in disposing of its 12,600 shares of stock of the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad, Governor McLean has written a New York investment banker. The executive's letter was in reply to an inquiry from the banker asking whether the state "would consider a proposal."

The banker's letter, made public by the governor today, follows: "The State of North Carolina owns 12,600 shares of the stock of the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad, and I am writing to ask whether the State would consider a proposal for it."

"Inasmuch as the road is leased to the Norfolk & Southern railroad company until 1995, and the return on the investment is fixed under the terms of the lease during the next seventy years, there does not appear to be any likelihood of value in the holdings other than from any other investment with fixed returns."

"I have lately been in Eastern North Carolina, and I take this occasion to congratulate you on the many expressions of satisfaction with your administration of state affairs which I heard."

DEMOCRATS ATTACK PLAN FOR INQUIRY

Representatives Against Investigation of British Rubber Monopoly

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7. (AP)—Continuing with its investigation of the British monopoly of the crude rubber supply, the House commerce committee today received testimony from representatives of the American rubber industry.

Meanwhile in the House, the advisability of the investigation was questioned by several Democratic members, Representative Black, of New York, and Connolly, of Texas, asserting that the committee would turn its attention to monopolies in this country over which Congress has legislative power.

Secretary Hoover's position in urging the rubber inquiry amounted to "propaganda plus" in the opinion of Mr. Black, who charged that American tire companies are "sicking the faithful Hoover on the British lion just when they are about to inflate his pockets."

AT AGE OF 106, OLDEST WOMAN IN COUNTY DIES

CAMBRIDGE, Md., Jan. 7.—Miss Henrietta Marshall, 105 years old, the oldest woman in the county, died last night at the home of H. Martin Wright, with members of whose family she had lived for years.

GOVERNOR DECLINES NEGRO'S PETITION

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 7. (AP)—Governor McLean today declined to exercise executive clemency in the case of John Wesley Dawkins, Forsyth County negro, sentenced to die in the electric chair here tomorrow for murder in the first degree. Dawkins made a personal appeal to the governor a few days ago, writing the executive a letter.

Dawkins was convicted in Forsyth Superior Court last June, and just an appeal to the Supreme.

STUDENTS PUBLICATION ROUSES IRE

Officials of George Washington University Threaten To Expel Magazine Proponents

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7. (AP)—George Washington University officials today were considering expulsion of other students connected with the Lash, new and unofficial publication of the school and whose editor, John R. Bromell, has been dismissed.

Bromell, whose first issue of the Lash was described by William Mather Lewis, president of the University as "positively indecent," was contemplating court action to gain reinstatement and declared he would print another "hotter" edition of the magazine. In it, an announcement said, would appear the two love letters which caused a sensation in the Rhinelander annulment suit in New York and which were not published.

Bromell was dismissed by President Lewis when he refused, voluntarily to withdraw and after accepting full responsibility for the publication. Dr. Lewis said the Lash generally was in "exceedingly bad taste" but he objected particularly to an article attacking the moral character of George Washington while he lived at Mount Vernon.

"The University carries the name of the father of his country," he declared, "and the article, besides being obscene, is unpatriotic."

Associates of Bromell, whose names are being sought by university authorities, were said to be rallying to his support in an effort to have him reinstated and obtain authority to continue publication of the magazine. Bromell contended his dismissal was out of his campaign against "an all-powerful fraternity clique" ruling the university.

"For many decades," it continued, "the university has been hamstrung by a few snobs who have attempted to run or ruin the school. Thus far they have been successful in both, with the result that George Washington university is known only in its immediate vicinity."

Another announcement disclosed that a previous issue of the Lash was attempted but was abandoned after printing because "it offended the esthetic sense of some of our mid-victorians and drew from them such a shower of criticism that its distribution was impossible."

Fail of Slate Kills Miner

Clarksburg, W. Va., Jan. 6.—Richard Boson, 27, a coal miner of Brownton, died in a hospital here today of injuries received several hours earlier when he was crushed beneath falling slate while at work in the Bear vally mine. He is survived by his wife and eight children.

VANDERBILT HEIRESS WEDS IN NEW YORK

Ceremony, Uniting Consuelo Vanderbilt and Earl E. T. Smith Yesterday

LARGE CROWD GATHERS

Mob Forms in Front of Fifth Avenue Home; Bride Given Necklace

NEW YORK, Jan. 7. (AP)—With medieval pageantry, Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt was married today to Earl E. T. Smith, in the drawing-room of her mother's Fifth Avenue home.

To the chanting of the Paulist choiristers the ceremony was performed in a setting resembling the Chapel of a French chateau, while on the sidewalks beneath the windows a large crowd waited, eager for a glimpse of the guests.

The Paulist choiristers sang the burial chorus from "The Rose Maiden," cantata, by Cowen, as the bride and her father, William K. Vanderbilt, 2nd, entered the room. Her only attendant, Mrs. Frederick C. Church, Jr., the former Miss Muriel Vanderbilt, sister of the bride, entered alone. Sidney A. Smith was best man.

As the guests arrived, several squads of policemen were called out to keep open a lane from the club to the door. The large crowd was particularly in the possibility of the arrival of the former Miss Ellen Mackay and her husband, Irving Berlin.

A necklace of large square-cut diamonds alternating with clusters in rose design, was a wedding gift, in the Vanderbilt family for the second time today.

It was a gift of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt to her daughter, Consuelo. Mrs. Vanderbilt herself received it as a gift from her mother twenty-seven years ago, when as Virginia Fair, daughter of James Graham Fair, once a United States Senator from Nevada, she was married to Mr. Vanderbilt.

Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt gave the bride a diamond brooch and Harold Vanderbilt a necklace of sapphires, rubies and diamonds. Clarence Mackay's father, John W. Mackay, was a partner of Senator Fair in the days when both rose from fresh immigrant boys to wealth by mining enterprises in Nevada.

The bad luck about a \$2. bill is that you may give it to somebody for a \$20.

FIRST SNOW OF YEAR LAST NIGHT

The first snow of the season, accompanied by a strong north wind, started falling about 10:30 o'clock last night, and was still coming down at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning, at which time drifts several inches in depth were to be seen in some places. The snow, due to the wet condition of the ground and the mildness of the weather for the past few days, at first melted as fast as it fell. Although no official figures were available, it is thought that the temperature last night dropped below the freezing point, as compared with the balmy, spring-like weather prevalent for almost a week. Reports from Kingston and New Bern at 11 o'clock stated that snow was also falling in those two cities. The weather man's prediction for today is rain and high winds. Saturday, according to his prognostication, will be fair.

INCOME TAX PROVISIONS TO BE APPROVED

Increase in Personal Exemptions Will Likely Be Smiled Upon By Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7. (AP)—The increase in personal income tax exemptions provided in the House reduction bill appears certain of Senate approval.

Democratic members of the Senate finance committee, which now has the bill under consideration, gave tentative approval to this provision today in drafting their substitute program. Republican members already had expressed general approval to the House rate schedule. The House bill would increase the exemptions from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for single persons, and from \$2,500 to \$3,500 for married persons. It is estimated this would relieve 2,500,000 tax-payers from any income tax.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, ranking Democrat on the committee, announced after an all-day conference of the minority members, that they probably would be ready to present their program by Saturday. A stumbling block in the Democrats' discussion seems to have been presented by the desire of some to increase the total reduction of \$230,000,000 as provided in the bill as it passed the House, to \$500,000,000. (Continued on Page Two)

FATHER OF MRS. BERLIN STILL SILENT

Former Ellen Mackay Happy Over Marriage, But Heart-sick Over Father's Actions

NEW WILL MADE

Newspaper Report Says New Will Eliminates Ellen From Receiving Part of Fortune

NEW YORK, Jan. 7. (AP)—Mrs. Irving Berlin is supremely happy in her recent marriage with the noted jazz composer, she says, but is heart sick because her father, Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph Company, has not given them his blessing.

Back in New York in the composer's roof garden apartment today Mr. and Mrs. Berlin were awaiting some word from Mr. Mackay, to whom they have sent a special delivery letter, in the hope that he would approve the marriage. Thus far, however, he has added nothing to his statement that the wedding was without his knowledge or approval.

The couple dined with Mrs. Joseph A. Blake, the bride's mother, and received her blessing Monday after the wedding, the World says. Before leaving Atlantic City Mrs. Berlin said she was coming to New York to attend the wedding of Consuelo Vanderbilt to Earl E. T. Smith this afternoon. The couple plans to return tonight or early tomorrow to Atlantic City, where Mrs. Berlin said she will entertain tomorrow night at a hotel so that her friends can meet her husband. Sixty guests have been invited.

Their proposed honeymoon trip to Europe aboard the Leviathan, leaving here Saturday, for which the ship's presidential suite had been engaged, will probably be cancelled. Mrs. Berlin has said. The New York American today states that it has learned from friends of the family that Mr. Mackay has made a new will which cuts the bride off from the \$30,000,000 which is the reputed size of his fortune. It also states that at his estate at Koyin, Long Island, he had his daughter's belongings shipped to her husband's apartment.

A member of a law firm which has represented Mr. Mackay told the New York Times that he knew nothing about a change in Mr. Mackay's will and put no credence in the report.

"Very Happy" NEW YORK, Jan. 7. (AP)—The As. (Continued on Page Two)

Excutive Sends Long Message To Nashville Mayor; Denies Charges

ELDERLY MAN BADLY FROZEN

ROCKY MOUNT, Jan. 7. (AP)—His hands and feet frozen, his body emaciated and partially paralyzed, R. H. Moore, 65-year-old white man of Rocky Mount, was found today in a clump of woods just outside the city limits. He had been missing for seven days. A party of hunters found the man, and when taken to the hospital his condition was such that it was feared he might not recover. Later physicians said he might pull through, though it probably would become necessary to amputate both hands and feet.

That Moore suffered a paralytic stroke while walking through the woods last Thursday was the opinion expressed by physicians. It was found to be paralyzed from his waist down, and a blow on his head was ascribed to striking some object when taken with paralysis. His watch and considerable money which he had on his person when he disappeared had not been touched.

CHAPMAN OWES COUNTRY MILLION BUCKS

Judgment For That Amount Obtained By Government Against Doomed Bandit

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 7. (AP)—Gerald Chapman, under sentence to be hanged March 13 for murdering a policeman, owes the United States government one million dollars.

A judgement for that amount in favor of the government was handed down here yesterday by Federal Judge Edwin S. Thomas in an action brought by Postmaster General New and John A. Danaher, of Hartford, assistant United States district attorney, while Chapman was standing trial in Hartford.

The order of judgement also includes interest on the million dollars at the rate of six per cent per annum from October 24, 1921, and the costs of the court.

The sum represents the value of bonds and other securities still missing from the \$1,400,000 mail loot taken by Chapman and others. The judgement will permit the government to levy on any of Chapman's properties, either the securities obtained in the mail robbery or any other property which might come to light.

Chapman did not file an answer to the action, and Judge Thomas granted a default to the government, judgement being given when proof of the value of the securities stolen was furnished.

DIRECT RADIO SERVICE

PARIS, Jan. 7.—Direct radio telegraphic service between Argentina and France was established today.

The honeymoon is over when she discovers that the wedding ring leaves a green mark on her finger.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, January 7. (AP)—Cotton futures closed steady, three points up to 17 down; spot cotton quiet, middling 20.65.

Table with columns: Month, Close, Opening, Close. Rows: January, March, May, July, October.

Governor Also Talks To Small Town Official Over Telephone Yesterday Afternoon

CHAUFFEUR IN DUTCH

Warrant Will Now Be Issued For Hugh Davis, Chauffeur For McLean

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 7. (AP)—At Governor McLean's request, the warrant charging the executive with exceeding the speed limit in Nashville, N. C., on December 31, will be withdrawn and another will be issued for Hugh Davis, the governor's chauffeur. Mayor Theodore N. Ross, of Nashville, told the Associated Press over long distance tonight.

A warrant issued against Governor Angus W. McLean by Mayor T. N. Ross, of Nashville, charging the chief executive of North Carolina with violating the speed law in his official automobile on December 31, was served Thursday morning by Chief of Police J. Winder Bryan.

The Raleigh police had received the warrant from the Nashville police. Governor McLean was not in the office at the time the warrant was carried there but service was accepted by Charles H. England, private secretary to the chief executive, in behalf of the Governor.

When apprized by the Nashville official's statement, the governor said he had "made no request except that contained in my telegram today."

"I explained to him in my telegram this afternoon that I was not riding in the car at the time, and therefore could not be guilty of the charge," Governor McLean said tonight.

Talked on Phone

In response to the telegram, the Nashville Mayor called in the governor on the telephone, and, referring to the conversation, the governor said: "When he asked me for the name of the driver, I gave him the chauffeur's name. I told him that I had no desire to interfere with the processes of the law, and if he desired to push the case against the chauffeur, I would like for him to write me a letter, and give me the facts, so that the chauffeur, if (Continued on Page Two)

PUBLICITY ON SMALLPOX FROWNED ON

Tampa Newspapers Make No Mention Of Situation Doctor Says Near Epidemic

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 7. (AP)—Leading newspapers in Tampa today carried no mention of reported smallpox cases here, which Dr. E. C. Levy, city health officer, said are bordering on an epidemic. The health officer, who has termed newspaper publicity of the disease his "greatest weapon" to prevent its spread, prepared through printed circulars to carry his appeal into homes through school children.

The Kiwanis Club of Tampa went on record yesterday as being opposed to any publicity on the number of smallpox cases in the city.

The action of the Kiwanis Club, according to members speaking in behalf of the news suppression, was due to Tampa "getting unfair advertising through the reports which are exaggerated by papers in the North spreading propaganda adverse to Florida and Tampa."

Week Of Investigation Fails Clear Up Mystery Of Slaying

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 7.—One week of investigation of the death of young Preston Rodgers, Jr., has been almost a total failure in clearing up the details of his death, except insofar as the fact that he did not shoot himself has been rather definitely established.

"Who killed Preston Rodgers?" remains as much of a mystery as it was on the morning of the last day of December when he was carried to Rex Hospital from his home suffering from a fatal pistol wound in his forehead.

What happened in the dargened dining room after the young man's mother said she placed his pistol on the table in order to quiet his demands for the weapon may never be known. There was a shot, witnesses said, and the young man is said to have been found lying on the floor, fatally wounded.

Suicide Most Improbable That the wound was inflicted by young Rodgers' own hand appears most improbable, as tests conducted on handkerchiefs by Solicitor W. F.

Evans with the pistol found lying on the floor by the dead boy produced extensive powder burns when fired at close range and only when the pistol was held about two feet from a handkerchief were burns produced similar to the slight marks found around the bullet wound in the forehead of the dead boy.

The fatal wounding of the boy was preceded by a drinking party at the home of his mother which lasted until late in the night, testimony of the coroner's inquest showed. Present at the party at one time or another were Mrs. P. B. Rodgers, mother of the dead boy; Mrs. Lolla Clark, cousin of the dead boy; Mrs. Bonnie Baste, local beauty parlor proprietress; Everett King, taxi driver; Hugh Ogburn, automobile salesman; and Ralph Branch, barber.

Contradictory Testimony Testimony was that the men left before the shooting took place. Other testimony was practically all contradictory, but whether for the purpose of concealing features of the party which would reflect more

strongly on the characters of the persons present or of concealing circumstances leading up to a crime has not been ascertained.

One of the features that is baffling the solicitor and coroner is the multiplicity of possible motives that might have caused any one of a large number of people to kill the boy.

Another feature is that no one person apparently had any particularly strong motive for the slaying.

And the fact that the killing is said to have taken place in the dark and that there are no admitted eye-witnesses is still another puzzling phase.

A story book detective possibly would make measurements of the room examine the dust on the floor with a microscope, search the ashes in the furnace and analyze the remnant of the whiskey left by the party-whiskey which Solicitor Evans declares must have been produced at the party which would reflect more