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NEWS of the WEEK

EMPLOYMENT GAINING

Washington, D. C. — The United States Employment Service found jobs for 330,784 unemployed during November. Of these, 158,953 were absorbed by private industry and 171,831 found work on projects financed by relief funds. Private industry doubled its employment records for November, 1935 and 1934.

CHRISTMAS IN RUSSIA

Moscow, U.S.S.R. — Although Russians under their new constitution are allowed freedom of worship for the first time in 19 years, their Christmas trees must still be known as New Year trees and Santa Claus is known as Grandpa Frost.

REPUBLICANS SELECT CHAIRMAN

Chicago, Ill. — After members of the Republican National Committee had learned that their deficit from the last election was \$901,501, they elected John Hamilton Chairman and voted him salary and expenses of \$25,000 a year. His first big job is to get the deficit paid off.

ASSISTANT LABOR SECRETARY SPEAKS

San Francisco, Cal. — Asked to comment on the persistent rumor that he is to succeed Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, Assistant Secretary Edward F. Grady, serving here as mediator in the seamen's strike, put the matter up to President Roosevelt. "I've enlisted with Roosevelt for the duration of the war," said he; "whatever he wants comes first with me."

WISCONSIN STUDENTS BACK PREXY

Madison, Wis. — Efforts of the regents of the University of Wisconsin to oust President Glenn Frank, in which they have the support of Governor Philip La Follette, has aroused a storm of protest among the 10,000 students. President Frank, who is accused of mismanaging University funds and devoting too much time to outside interests, declares he has no intention of resigning.

SOCIAL SECURITY RESIGNATIONS

Washington, D. C. — The Social Security Board announces that 21,338,120 workers, 82 per cent of estimated eligibles, applied for old age annuities up to December 15th.

DETROIT REGULATES TRAILERS

Detroit, Mich. — When Board of Health inspectors began to distribute eviction notices on 100-odd trailer owners parked on ten local parking lots, the trailerites staged a protest in which they had the support of the Coach Trailer Manufacturers Association. A projected ordinance regulating trailer camps calls for proper bath houses, hot water, soap, a limit of three months' tenancy and regular Board of Health inspection.

LABOR PLANS AUTOMOTIVE DRIVE

Washington, D. C. — When John L. Lewis, head of the Committee for Industrial Organization, emerged from a conference with Glen W. McCabe, president of the Federation of Flat Glass Workers, and Homer Martin, of the United Automobile Workers of America, a terse announcement was made: "Collective bargaining is now the law of the land, and we think General Motors should do a little collective bargaining." Speaking for the big motor company, W. S. Knudson, Vice-President, said: "I think collective bargaining should take place before a shutdown rather than after it."

U. S. Reports \$164,000,000 Income Gain

Washington, Dec. 21 — As Administration experts put finishing touches on next year's budget, the Treasury recorded today \$164,000,000 gain on the income side of its ledger since July 1.

For the first five months of this fiscal year, its receipts totaled \$1,385,767,000, compared with \$1,221,786,000 in the corresponding period last year.

Income Tax Gain

Gains were shown in 55 of the 73 categories of taxation. Leading the upswing were income taxes, which totaled \$413,863,000 between July and November 30, an increase of \$86,535,000. Of the income tax receipts, \$238,918,000 came from corporations and \$174,944,000 from individuals.

The next largest gain was in liquor tax revenues, which, at \$268,606,000, were \$47,417,000 above the same period last year.

Other Increases

Others included: Tobacco taxes, \$235,128,000, gain of \$24,020,000; gasoline, \$90,019,000, gain of \$4,701,000; automobiles, \$21,551,000, gain of \$7,546,000; tires and inner tubes, \$16,984,000, gain of \$3,732,000; telephone and other communications, \$9,921,000, gain of \$1,093,000.

Officials said receipts for the five months supported their estimates that revenues for his fiscal year would aggregate \$5,642,760,000. This total would compare with \$4,115,956,000 last year and \$3,790,045,000 in 1934-35.

Estate Tax Off

Estate tax receipts fell \$12,119,000 to \$67,004,000. Declines also were listed for levies on domestic wines, matches and crude petroleum processed.

Only President Roosevelt's budget message and certain technical details remain to be completed before the Government's fiscal plans for 1937-38 are sent to Congress.

It is expected the new budget will count in part on further increases in tax revenues next year to narrow the gap between revenue and expenditures.

CHRISTMAS MAIL UP TEN PERCENT

Approximately Fourteen Thousand Christmas Cards Mailed in Roxboro on Monday.

Christmas mailing in Roxboro shows an increase of approximately ten percent over last year and much greater than any other year prior to 1935.

The postal clerks are busy night and day and can hardly manage to keep up with all of the extra hours that they are putting in.

It was estimated that approximately thirteen to fourteen thousand Christmas cards were mailed at the local post office on Monday and from ten to twelve thousand on Tuesday.

The largest mail ever received in Roxboro came in Wednesday morning and what was probably the largest mail ever to be dispatched from the office left here Monday night. The mail leaving here filled seventy large bags.

Some extra help has been required to handle this heavy business, but the regular employees have been doing a greater part of it by putting in many hours of overtime.

THE WEEK IN BUSINESS

Michael J. Meehan, spectacular stock broker of boom days, faces possible disbarment from all exchanges as the result of findings by a Securities Exchange Commission examiner that he had manipulated the stock of the Bellanca Aircraft Corporation. . . For the first time since its organization, the Chrysler Corporation has produced 1,000,000 units a year. The millionth car for 1936 to leave the assembly line was a Plymouth. . . Great Lakes navigation has just closed its greatest season since 1929. Freighters that averaged 16 to 18 trips since the opening of navigation since the opening of navigation last May.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL



Carolina Power & Light Co., Reduction Makes Cheap Electricity Cheaper Still

New Low Rate Announced. Benefits All Residential and Farm Users. Commercial Rates Also Reduced.

An important rate reduction has been announced by the Utilities Commissions, which affects the cost of electrical service to residential, farm and commercial customers throughout the territory served by the Carolina Power & Light Company. The new top rate is now down to 5c. An estimated saving of more than \$700,000 will result for company patrons during this next twelve months.

Under the new rate schedule all residential, farm and commercial customers are granted definite without exception and regardless of the amount of electricity used in the past or consumed in the future. The new rate replaces and is lower than the inducement rates already enjoyed in the past.

The action of the utility in reducing rates at this time comes as a surprise to the majority of patrons as the drastic reduction in 1935 and 1936 were thought to represent the climax of a series of rate cuts made over a long period of years. The cuts of last year and the year before made cheap electricity a reality and many supposed that the lowest possible level in cost had been reached.

Effective on all bills rendered on or after January 26, all domestic users will be billed as per the following schedule:

- 5c per KWH for first 50 KWH used.
- 3c per KWH for next 50 KWH used.
- 2c per KWH for next 150 KWH used.
- 1.5c per KWH for all additional KWH used.

The monthly minimum charge will be \$1.00 which includes the use of 20 KWH.

The new rate schedule reveals that the top price of electricity to domestic customers is only a nickel, which is exactly one-third of the top rate in 1915 and only one half that of the top rate charged only a few years ago.

The fact that the rate drops as low as 1 1/2c per KWH enables many users to purchase a large portion of their current at a figure considerably lower than in many sections of the country. The top rate of only 5c per KWH with sharp reductions in the schedule down to the 1 1/2c per KWH minimum is evidence that cheap electricity is a reality in this territory.

It is understood that the latest rate reduction has been brought about by the ready reception which the public has given cheap electricity.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Knight, a baby girl, Rebecca Glenn, on Friday, December 18.

CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

The Person County Times will be closed on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. This is being done in order that all the fellows may have a few days vacation.

Your co-operation as regards printing will be appreciated. Mgr.

CITY IS DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS

More Lighted Trees and Window Decorations Than Have Ever Been Seen Here.

It's impossible to buy any colored lights for Christmas trees in Roxboro today. The reason is that they have all been sold and there seems to be very little hope of getting any more this year.

There are more lighted Christmas trees in Roxboro this year than ever before. Then there are hundreds of window decorations as well as many other kinds of Christmas ornaments.

The business district of Roxboro is really a brilliant thing at night. Hundreds of lights have been strung over the streets and then many stores have colored lights that add to the scene.

Some of the places that are worth of your attention are the Palace and Dolly Madison Theatres, the home of J. A. Long and the trees in front of the home of A. E. Jackson. Christmas is here and the people of this county appear to be ready for it.

KIWANIS CLUB TO MEET AT 7:00 P. M. MONDAY

Due to the Christmas season the Roxboro Kiwanis Club will meet next Monday night at 7:00 p. m. instead of 8:30.

The meeting will be at the Community House.

MINISTERS DECLINE INSPECTION

Peoria, Ill. The Secretary of the Ministerial Association made the following note as crisp as possible: "Although we appreciate the industrial and mechanical efficiency of your plant, there is so little in common between your organization and ours that we decline the invitation." The clergymen had been asked to inspect a local distillery.

OVER 900 LICENSE PLATES PURCHASED

Total Will Probably Run Well Over 4,000 by January 1st.

The local office of the Carolina Motor Club has already sold over 900 license plates and customers were buying rapidly today.

Miss Nina Abbitt, who has charge of the office, stated that she expected to sell over 4,000 1937 plates. Sales for this year are running well ahead of the same time last year. All of the plates sold from this office are not for Person County people as many from Caswell and other counties buy in Roxboro. It is generally understood that all cars must have the new plates on them by Jan. 1st or the owners will probably be hauled into court.

Miss Abbitt expects this year to be the largest that she has ever had from a standpoint of sales as there are more cars in this territory than in any previous year and the new cars are being sold rapidly.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS BEING PREPARED

Many Families in Person County Have No Means To Provide Extras Needed At Christmas.

A large number of the needy in Person County will be taken care of this Christmas, but even at that there will probably be many who have no extras at this time, indeed many in this county do not have the necessities.

F. D. Long, County Chairman, has been busy for the past two weeks raising money in order that a large number in this county who are in need might have a little Christmas cheer. He reports fair success, but could use more money.

Several church organizations are also preparing baskets for those who otherwise would have nothing and many individuals have their own private lists.

It would probably surprise you to know how many people in this county have practically nothing in the way of food and clothing. Even though the crops have been good many will not know what it is to have even the necessities unless someone comes to their aid.

M. G. JOHNSON, SR. DIED TUESDAY P. M.

Deceased Was Father of M. G. Johnson of Roxboro.

Mr. M. G. Johnson, Sr., of Millen, Ga., died at the hospital there Tuesday p. m. from injuries received in an auto accident about ten days ago. His condition has been regarded as serious since the wreck, but last week-end it was thought that he was improving.

Mr. Johnson was the father of Matt Johnson of this city, manager of Roxboro Drug Co.

In this case accident Mrs. Johnson was killed instantly. She was the step-mother of Matt Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left Roxboro for Georgia immediately after receiving news of the death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday.

BEAUTIFUL DECORATIONS

The lawn at the Person County Courthouse has been decorated with a number of lighted Christmas trees and is one of the beauty spots of Roxboro.

Both sides of the walk leading from the front door to the walk have a number of trees and there is one large tree on the lawn. Looks like the work of A. M. Long.

SHIPMENT OF MULES MONDAY, DEC. 28TH

Mr. E. B. Bragg, local manager for Creedmoor Supply Co. has announced that his company will receive a large shipment of mules, Monday, December 28th. Mr. Bragg stated that these mules will be first quality.

\$27,000 GIVEN OUT YESTERDAY BY COLLINS & AIKMAN

Large Bonus Helped to Spread Christmas Cheer to Over 1,000 Employees in Mill.

EACH WORKER RECEIVED \$25.00 AS GIFT.

Last week the Person County Times carried the story that the Collins and Aikman Corp. would give \$27,000 to their employees on Friday of that week. The money was not paid out until yesterday, Wednesday, December 23rd.

Each worker in the mill received \$25.00 as his or her share. Employees in other C. & A. plants in Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, New York and Canada also received \$25.00. The entire amount given out by the company was approximately \$125,000. All of the plants employ about 4,000 people.

This large sum of money, paid out on the eve of Christmas, helped in no small way to increase the purchasing power of those who worked in this mill. Local stores remained open late in order to allow these people to make such purchases as they desired before Christmas eve.

The \$25.00 received this week was the second gift of its kind this year. A few months ago each worker received \$20.00 and later all received a ten per cent increase in salary.

CANTATA ENJOYED BY LARGE CROWD

"Chimes of Holy Night" Presented Under Direction of Mrs. J. A. Long.

A Christmas cantata titled, "The Chimes of the Holy Night," by Holten was presented at the Edgar Long Memorial church, Sunday after several weeks of hard work practicing under the direction of Mrs. J. A. Long.

A large crowd as usual was present to hear this selection and all who heard it were loud in praise.

The cantata was composed of thirteen pieces. Solo parts were taken by Mrs. W. H. Newell, alto, Mrs. J. A. Long, soprano, Mrs. J. D. K. Richmond, of South Boston, Virginia, soprano, and Mr. K. L. Street, bass.

Several numbers were sung by the entire choir. Also included in the cantata were men's choruses, duets, and women's choruses.

Mrs. Mary Hunter Long was organist for the cantata. The pastor of Edgar Long Memorial Church, Rev. B. P. Robinson, was in charge of the service.

JACK BANE ILL

Mr. O. L. "Jack" Bane, secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce, has been ill for the past several days and was carried to his home in Greensboro last Friday.

JAMES THORNTON BETTER

James Thornton, who has been seriously ill since Sunday with pneumonia, is now on a good road to recovery. All of his little friends are hoping he will be well by Christmas.

BICYCLE WON BY PHILIP BOWEN

Philip Bowen, Roxboro, was winner of the contest staged by the Economy Auto Supply and thereby won the bicycle.

This contest has been going on for the past several weeks and attracted a large amount of interest.

CREAM FOR EMBASSY

Juliestown, N. J. — On the eve of his departure for Moscow, Joseph E. Davies, new U. S. Ambassador to Russia, ordered 2,000 pints of cream, frozen by a special process, sent abroad. It is also said he will install 25 electric refrigerators in the Embassy. Mrs. Davies is heiress to the Post-Toasties fortune estimated at \$20,000,000.