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NAVAL PARLEY TIE-UP

The British effort to placate Japan at the London naval conference by proposing equality in principle was made with the full knowledge of the American delegation, which was somewhat surprised at the attitude taken. Roughly stated, the British want 70 cruisers to protect their trade routes but, apparently, do not object to an American fleet which is superior. In fact, as explained, the scheme would permit the United States to keep the existing ratio by outbuilding Japan by five to three. Of course, this would prove expensive for America but the British contention is that they do not regard us as a potential enemy and that the Atlantic, like the Canadian border, will be undefended.

BRITISH WANT SETTLEMENT

The British, with a concern for their safety, seek an understanding with Japan in order to have peace and quiet in the Pacific. With tremendous investments in China, a colossal trade and Australia to protect, the idea is that Japan must either be placated or defied. With the situation in Europe dangerous, the English are seeking desperately to avoid new perils in Asia.

DOMINIONS BACK U. S.

In this connection, it is said that the British Dominions, as a whole, are somewhat uneasy over the question of Empire defense. While they prefer a policy of friendship with Japan, a United Press dispatch says that they insist that it be understood that in case a future choice is unavoidable between American and Japanese friendship, the Empire must cast its lot with the United States.

At the same time, from other sources it is learned that France and Italy have strongly backed the insistence of our delegation that the 5-5-3 ratio be maintained. It is no secret that the Mediterranean powers will seriously object if a higher ratio is given Japan.

Prime Minister MacDonald's unusual course in personally denying secret activity between the British and Japanese delegations behind the backs of the American delegation, explicitly denied that Manchukuo or the oil situation has been considered in connection with the naval ratio or that the recent visit of British industrial leaders to Japan had any government connection.

Interesting also was the publication in London of a dispatch from Washington pointing out that the President of the United States would be "profoundly disturbed" if the negotiations broke in a manner implying a lack of solidarity between British and American interests and purposes, and that the unity of the two nations would be a question if this happened.

UNEMPLOYED TO PRODUCE

A renewed outcry of "government in business" followed disclosure that the FERA is studying a plan to use millions of unemployed in the manufacture of goods. It does little good to point out that the products would be distributed to those on relief rolls and, therefore, would not affect present buying power. With millions of workers being supported by the government, the plan contemplates in part using of materials acquired by the organization as well as other undertakings.

Eventually, it is estimated, as many as ten million unemployed would be put to work in this way. Included in tentative plans are small shoe factories, tanneries to prepare rough leather, the manufacture of suits for boys and men and coats for women, and the production of materials for building and repairing homes for the destitute.

The plan embraces the conversion of cotton into knitting yarns, and the knitting of fabrics and other clothing, the making of rugs and carpets, such food products as may be based on produce of relief gardens, and meat products from cattle bought by the government in the drought areas.

RFC STATISTICS

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, established in February, 1932, has authorized and loaned up to October 31st, \$8,415,514,137.85. Of this, \$724,988,918 was cancelled and \$1,216,626,965 remains to the credit of the approved borrower. The total of disbursements for other than advances to governmental



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Roosevelt Back At Warm Springs For Annual Visit

Speaks At Various Points Along Way. Tours Historic Tenn. Capital Saturday

Warm Spring, Ga., Nov. 20.—President Roosevelt came back to his "other home" Sunday night after a declaration for carrying the Tennessee valley federal power and rehabilitation program to the other states of the union. The presidential declaration, made early Sunday at Tupelo, Miss., was officially interpreted as sponsorship of the municipal power plant such as operated there and a challenge to private power companies to cooperate for cheaper rates.

In a number of talks as he crossed the southland Sunday, President Roosevelt bluntly stated that the new deal was going ahead. At Birmingham, Ala., industrial center of the South, he assured "keenest concern" for heavy industries and warned "obstructionists" to cooperate.

Perhaps the largest crowd which ever welcomed Mr. Roosevelt to this twelve year old home of his was at the station when he arrived after 10 o'clock Sunday night. It was a throng similar to those which met him at every turn throughout his three-day tour of the Tennessee valley.

With Mrs. Roosevelt he motored immediately to the family cottage high up on the hill overlooking this region to remain over Thanksgiving Day.

Saturday night President Roosevelt circled the Tennessee valley, convinced from his two days of inspection of the practicability and feasibility of early extension of this power and human welfare development to the other three corners of the nation on a broad scale.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 19.—To the acclaim of many thousands, President Roosevelt rode through historic Nashville Sat. and made pilgrimages to the tombs of the seventh and eleventh presidents, Andrew Jackson and James K. Polk, both Tennesseans.

He was the second Roosevelt from the White House to visit the shrines. His kinsman, Theodore, was here in 1907.

For four hours Mr. Roosevelt toured Tennessee's capital city and its environs. Cheers and flags greeted him everywhere. Children gathered at their school houses and several times the president stopped to wave and smile at the groups. A warm sun accentuated the holiday spirit of the occasion.

To Hold Beauty Pageant Here

On Friday night, November 23, at 8 o'clock a beauty pageant is to be held in the Sparta high school auditorium for the purpose of selecting "Miss Alleghany County." Following a program to be presented the audience will choose by ballot the queen of beauty who will be awarded the title and who will receive a free trip to Raleigh to represent Alleghany county in the state beauty pageant to be held in the capital city in March during the 1935 annual Teachers' convention.

Whoever is the winner in the state pageant at Raleigh will be given a free trip to New York City.

The public is cordially invited to attend this program which, it is said, promises to be different from anything that has been put on in Sparta. A small admission charge will be made.

Stars Of Screen Visit Twin City

Winston-Salem, Nov. 20.—Munching peanuts and popcorn, Ben Lyon and his wife, Bebe Daniels, commented on the beauty of Winston-Salem and improved conditions in the country on a brief visit here today. The famed motion picture stars were visitors at a local furniture store this afternoon with Ben Lyon, Sr. They left shortly for High Point.

The limited group seeing the screen stars commented on their pleasant personalities.

High Point is the home of actor Lyon's father.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs To Be In Sparta

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, presiding elder of the Mount Airy district, is to hold the first quarterly meeting for the new conference year on the Sparta Methodist church on Sunday night, November 25, in the Sparta Methodist church. This will also be the first quarterly meeting to be held on the charge since it has been under the pastorate of the Rev. Cecil G. Hefner, who was appointed at the recent session of the Western North Carolina conference at Greensboro.

The services are to begin at 7 o'clock.

Ehringhaus To Ask For Money For Unemployed

General Assembly To Be Requested To Supplement Federal Funds In Jan. Governor Calls On Ickes

Washington, Nov. 20.—The North Carolina General Assembly will be asked, at its January meeting, by Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus to make an appropriation to supplement funds for unemployment relief, but just how much is to be requested remained tonight as much a secret as it was before the governor and Harry Hopkins, emergency relief director, discussed the question across a luncheon table for more than an hour today.

Following their conference both Hopkins and Ehringhaus expressed the opinion that there would be no trouble in adjusting the differences between the state and federal governments whereby federal relief funds would continue to be available for North Carolina. Some weeks ago Hopkins listed North Carolina as one of 14 states which was not carrying its load in providing relief and indicated unless there was a change of policy federal funds would be discontinued.

"We had a very satisfactory conference and we fully understand the problems of each other," the Governor said following his talk with the relief director.

"Just as the Governor said," Hopkins put in, "we had a very satisfactory conference and I am sure we will work this thing out. You can say we are no longer worried about North Carolina doing her part."

Asked about charges by Senator (continued on back back)

President Asks Governors To Work With U. S.

Warm Springs, Ga., Nov. 20.—Plans for closer liaison between the federal and state governments were projected tonight by President Roosevelt in a conference with the governors of the south-eastern states.

At the time, Mr. Roosevelt emphasized the necessity of the various governors getting behind Washington's determination to put across social insurance legislation as one of the important steps of the new deal.

It was understood that one of the suggestions put forth by the little White House called for a regional set-up whereby all the governors of the 48 states would be represented by the head of a regional group.

"Isn't that co-ordinating the governor?" Secretary McIntyre was asked. "Call it that if you like," he smilingly replied.

The president told the governors that as soon as plans were worked out on the relief situation, he would communicate with them individually and collectively so that they could coordinate their state programs with that of the federal government.

Those in the conference were Governors Dave Sholtz, Florida; Eugene Talmadge, Georgia; I. C. Blackwood, South Carolina; Governors-elect Bibb Graves, Alabama; Olin Johnston, South Carolina; and Lieutenant-Governor A. H. Graham, North Carolina.

Sholtz and Graves remained overnight at Warm Springs in order to confer with the President tomorrow.

Bank Deposits, Loans Said To Be Increasing

Paul P. Brown Says Increases Reflected In Published Statements Of Banks As Of October 17

Raleigh, Nov. 19.—Both bank deposits and bank loans are increasing in North Carolina, according to a statement made recently by Paul P. Brown, Secretary of the North Carolina Bankers association. These increases are reflected in the recently published statements of the banks at the close of business on October 17.

"While a full compilation of the figures for all the banks in the State is not yet available," stated Mr. Brown, "an examination of a fair cross-section of these statements indicates that total deposits in the banks have increased as much as 25 percent since June 30, the date of the last published statements. If this percentage holds good for the entire State, it will mean a total gain in deposits of over \$60,000,000 for the period. This gain since June 30—a period of three and one-half months—is greater than the gain for the entire year prior to June 30.

"From June 30, 1933, to June 30, 1934, the gain in deposits for the banks in North Carolina was \$57,000,000. It is apparent, therefore, that bank deposits in this State have increased by approximately 64 percent since June, 1933.

"It is significant to note that in a majority of the banks there has been an increase in the total amount of loans and discounts outstanding—although, this rate of increase has not kept pace with the deposit growth. One large bank in the State reports an increase of 45 percent in the amount of new loans made during September and October of this year, as compared with the same period last year."

Total deposits commercial banks of North Carolina (State and national) on June 30, 1933, \$181,844,000, while at the end of June this year they were \$239,057,000.

Through State Capital Keyholes

By Bess Hinton Silver

LIVELY SCRAP—You don't hear much about it but a real contest is developing between State Senators Carl L. Bailey, of Washington County, and Paul Grady, of Johnston, for president pro tem of the coming Senate session. Both are veterans and have many friends among the new Senate line-up. Both have booming voices and both demonstrated their ability at presiding over the Upper House in 1933. Before either is elected to the post of assistant gavel-rapper members of the Senate will know that a scrap has been taking place.

NEW STATE COUNSEL—Capitol Hill nose-in-the-wind boys smell a change coming in the Attorney General's office. It cannot be confirmed but there's good reason to believe that one of the three assistants Attorney General is about to retire. Poor health is said to be the reason for the prospective resignation. Keep your ears and eyes open and don't be surprised when you hear the news. A lot of people supposed to be "in the know" whisper that it's coming.

POLLED THE VOTE—It may not mean anything to you on its face but the fact that Johnston county polled a larger percentage of its June primary vote in the November election than either Nash or Vance counties is taken to have certain political significance in the Fourth Congressional District. You will remember that Congressman Harold D. Cooley, of Nash, defeated Jere Perry Zollicoffer, of Vance, and George Ross Pou, of Johnston for the Democratic nomination last June. Friends of Mr. Pou are pointing to this month as compared with the party's ballots in Nash and Vance counties.

Prices Good At Galax Sale Held Monday

While Run Of Stock Was Not As Great As Usual More Buyers Were On Hand

While there was not such a large run of livestock on hand for Monday's auction at Galax held by the Grayson-Carroll Livestock market, as has been the case in the past, the sale was considered by many as one of the snappiest and liveliest held yet on the Galax market. More buyers attended the sale than had been on hand at a sale there for several weeks, according to market officials, and this tended to make bidding spirited and prices good. The top heifer sold for \$5 per hundred pounds, the top steer brought \$3.70 per hundred, and the top calves brought \$6.30 per hundredweight.

Two new buyers were present, one from Baltimore, Md., and the other from Winston-Salem. These gentlemen bought extensively and assured the management that they would return regularly in the future to buy on the Galax market.

W. C. Roberson, manager of the market, has received a telegram from Mr. Emrich, of Nebraska, who sold a carload of good Western mares at the last first Monday horse and mule sale, stating that he would have another carload of extra good young Nebraska mares at Galax for the special sale to be held on Monday, December 3.

In keeping with the usual practice, a carload of pigs, ranging in weight from 40 to 100 pounds, is to be unloaded at the Feltz park stockyards on Friday of this week, and will be put on private sale immediately. A car received last week, officials say, was two-thirds of the way sold out before sale day.

KING FOR WORLD PEACE

London, Nov. 20.—King George drove today to the House of Lords where he told the combined houses of Parliament in open session that "maintenance of world peace" remained the chief concern of his government.

Woman Attempts To Kill Self

Mrs. Walter Baugess, 25, daughter of Bill Brown, of the "Oklahoma" section of Alleghany county, made an unsuccessful attempt to end her life Sunday when she shot herself behind the ear with a 22-calibre rifle. The bullet is said to have split, a piece of it lodging on either side of the woman's brain.

Mrs. Baugess was taken to Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital, in Elkin, where, it is said, no hope is held for her recovery.

The husband of the wounded woman is serving a term in the Sparta convict camp.

Winston-Salem Woman Tells Of Passion Play

Graphic Description Of Play Depicting Life Of Christ Is Given By Mrs. G. Ray Jordan

A graphic description of the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany, was given by Mrs. G. Ray Jordan, wife of Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, at a meeting of the Winston-Salem Woman's Reading club held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bennette Poole on Buena Vista road, Winston-Salem.

Dr. and Mrs. Jordan devoted the time given the former for his vacation from his work as pastor of one of the largest churches in Southern Methodism to a European visit.

Mrs. Jordan began her intensely interesting talk by giving a brief history of the traditions regarding the beginning of the play. The people, she said, according to tradition, vowed to God that if he would withhold the plague they would give the play every ten years, which they have done for more than 300 years, missing only once, prior to the World War, and twice during this time.

She spoke of the journey to the picturesque village, and described the homes and dress of the people living there. She also told of the village church encircled by a cemetery in which are the graves of actors more than a hundred years old, who had played in the Passion Play.

On the day Mrs. Jordan saw the play she said it was raining and cold, and it was an impressive sight to see five or six thousand people there for the play which began shortly after 8 o'clock in the morning and last-

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To Hold "Exam" To Fill Sparta Postmastership

For the purpose of filling the position of postmaster at Sparta, an open competitive examination is to be held in North Wilkesboro in the near future. The date for the assembling of competitors will be stated on the admission cards sent applicants after the date for the close of receipt of applications, which is Friday, November 30, and will be about seven days after that date.

Applicants for this examination must have reached their twenty-first birthday and must not have passed their sixty-sixth birthday on the date of close of receipt of applications. Age limits are waived in the case of veterans of the World War, the Spanish-American War, and the Philippine insurrection; provided that to get the benefit of such waiver, documentary proof of such service must be submitted with the application.

The salary paid for serving the Sparta postmastership is \$1,400 per year.

Applicants must have actually resided within the delivery of the Sparta office for one year immediately preceding the closing date for receipt of applications.

Full information as to the requirements to be met and the character of the examination to be given may be obtained from the post office in Sparta or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Davis Sentenced To Serve 30-Yr. Term For Murder

Davidson County Outlaw Found Guilty Of Murder In 2nd Degree In Trial For Killing Sheriff Kimball

Statesville, Nov. 20.—Ralph Davis, 23, Davidson county outlaw, was found guilty last Thursday of murder in the second degree by a jury in Iredell Superior court here, as the culmination of his trial for the murder of Sheriff G. C. Kimball last August 17. The trial began on Monday morning, November 12. The jury, composed of 11 Mecklenburg county citizens and one Iredell man, took the case Wednesday night but was unable to reach an agreement until Thursday.

Judge A. M. Stack, who presided at the trial, sentenced Davis to serve a term of 30 years in the state prison for the murder of the officer. Defense gave notice of appeal.

"There is no doubt that Davis killed the sheriff," Judge Stack commented following the verdict of the jury, the jurist adding that he thought Davis had two pistols at the time of the gun battle, using one to shoot Sheriff Kimball and the other to wound Deputy Gilbert in the leg. Ballistic experts held the opinion during the trial that a bullet from Deputy Gilbert's gun killed his chief accidentally, but against this testimony the state offered convincing evidence that Davis shot Kimball at close range.

Following the conviction on the murder count, counsel for Davis tendered plea of guilty as to Davis in other counts, receiving judgment, as follows: Ten years in prison for robbery of Southern Railway property at Elmwood; ten years for robbery with firearms of Mayor E. R. Rankin, of Statesville; ten years for kidnapping Mayor Rankin; ten years for assault with intent to kill Deputy Sheriff R. L. Gilbert, making a total of 40 years in prison for Davis after he has served the 30-year term for second-degree murder, but Judge Stack suspended the four ten-year sentences on condition the defendant is of good behavior during the first sentence.

Cal Turner, tenant on the G. W. Dry farm, where Davis was staying at the time of the fatal shooting, drew five years on the roads for participating in robberies in which Ralph Davis was connected. He had entered a plea of guilty.

Buck Hedrick, who admitted to court that he also was with Cal Turner and Ralph Davis during certain robberies, got two years on the roads.

MAY THOROUGHLY PROBE FASCIST ACTIVITIES

New York, Nov. 20.—A thorough investigation of Fascist activities in the United States was promised tonight as a result of alleged statements by Major General Smedley D. Butler that he had been asked by a group of wealthy New Yorkers to lead a right-wing movement designed to set up a dictatorship in Washington.

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Well, you see it was this way. En uh... to begin with. Or and well.

- 19—Lincoln delivers famous Gettysburg address, 1863.
- 20—Seminole Indian War starts in Florida, 1817.
- 21—First practical phonograph shown by Edison, 1886.
- 22—Chinese government bans import of opium, 1906.
- 23—Franklin Pierce, 14th President, born 1804.
- 24—Adeline Patti makes first U. S. appearance, 1859.
- 25—Grant wins great victory at Chattanooga, 1863.

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