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At The Capital

TALLAHASSEE, Apr. 23.—The first 1931 bill night of the present session is on tonight. There are many local bills which have been introduced already, but only a comparatively small number are ready for passage tonight. The total bill regarding some matters that the Ovidio city council failed to have passed was one of them, as well as the one declaring a bird sanctuary in the City of Longwood. Also two bills relating to city tax matters at Altamonte Springs.

Mr. Hagan is a member of the Lobby Committee, and he has stated that the best way for a man to keep out of trouble is to stay away from the Capital, especially the Senate and House unless he has a legitimate reason for being there.

The last regular session of the Legislature cost the taxpayers about \$214,000, and it began to look as if this one would cost more than that. Mr. Davis of Nassau County and I introduced a concurrent resolution this morning, directing the Legislative Expense Committee to keep the cost of this session within \$200,000.

Several days ago there was an article in this paper about Representative A. G. Kanner, of Suwannee, formerly of Suwannee. "A boy is a smart boy and will show it from the start," he says in the article. "I am a smart boy and will show it from the start."

Noted of the Memorial Exercises by the U. D. C. to be held Sunday, was read by us up here with interest. There are some plans being made to revive the memory of our Confederate dead in Tallahassee next Sunday, which is Confederate Memorial Day. I feel sure that Mayor Alton of Jacksonville will give a very appropriate address in Sanford, and no doubt our Elks Band will do themselves proud. Only wish I could be present.

Believe it or not, the corridors are still filled with those trying to get jobs with the Legislature, although there are at least, and more, especially in the house work rooms, than are needed, or will be, except maybe for a few days at the very end of the session.

In the past, it has been customary that those who worked overtime at night, received pay for this overtime, but the House adopted a resolution several days ago, against paying any overtime, since on many days, large numbers of the employees do not have very much to do, and enjoy a half holiday every week.

The budget as recommended by the Budget Commission was heard by the members today. It was a million dollars more than the last one, but still less than I would like to see it, and it appears that there may be some practical method of further reducing it even yet.

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MOVE MADE TO SHUNT SCHOOL REVENUE BILLS

Two Measures To Reduce Florida Newspaper Income Unfavorably Reported

TALLAHASSEE, Apr. 24.—(AP)—Proposals to abandon legislation for school revenue until after the expenses of the state government are cared for, were brought before the House and Senate today. The House heard a bitter skirmish on the relative importance of the two factors before voting 50 to 32 against relegating the plan to a committee. Similar action was taken in the Senate, as the plan, in the form of a resolution, was carried over for further consideration.

An investigation of all appointments made by Governor Carlton and not required by law to be reported was ordered by the Senate. That body also adopted a resolution prohibiting the employment by state officials of members of their families. The Senate adopted a resolution for a general investigation of state salaries with a view to wholesale reduction.

Two bills to reduce the revenue to Florida newspapers from legal advertising were reported unfavorably by the Senate finance committee. It voted against the bill by Senator Getzen, Bushnell, to reduce the rate for legal advertising from a dollar an inch for the first insertion to 50 cents with a subsequent rate of 25 cents an inch, instead of 50 cents as at present.

The committee also voted against the adoption of a bill to eliminate the publication of delinquent county tax rolls. Both houses recessed until Monday afternoon.

Initiation of a movement to establish a rationing plan for Florida counties, municipalities and special tax districts on an "ability to pay" basis, was an outstanding feature of yesterday's deliberations by the Senate and House of the Florida Legislature.

Both groups of lawmakers received measures from their finance and taxation committees acting as a joint group, the introduction being the first definite relief step of the session by the committee to accept the bringing before the legislature last week of the enabling act to authorize the levying of a state inheritance tax. Senator (Continued On Page Two)

Farmers Club Has Meet To Promote Celebration Plans

Attended by a large delegation of prominent farmers, the Farmers Club committee appointed some days ago to lay plans for the staging of a county-wide Farmers Day here on Thursday, May 14, met at night to hear reports as to the progress made, and to outline new plans which are expected to be completed.

At the request of the committee, the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce appointed as its representative, S. D. Hightman; the Sanford Rotary Club, W. A. Lafferty; the Sanford Kiwanis Club, D. J. Garrett; and the Sanford Lions Club, E. J. Meyer, all of whom were in attendance at the meeting with the information that they represented a group which stands ready to assist in making the day a success.

Short talks were heard from many of the committeemen and it was reported that they are meeting with success in their efforts thus far. The purpose of the general get-together was again pointed out as being one which would result in a closer spirit of co-operation between the farmer and business in the county.

Prominent speakers have all been identified their intention of attending the celebration which is expected to draw a crowd of at least 100,000 persons to the city. An elaborate program of sports has been arranged, including races, football, basketball, and other games open to all, while the program of the day will be a grand dinner, prepared by G. H. Hagan, which is expected to be attended in by 4000 persons.

Veterans' Hospital Will Be Established In Central Florida

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24.—(AP)—The Federal Hospitalization Board today recommended that a new branch home for disabled volunteer soldiers be located on a suitable site in Central Florida in an area having as its northern boundary Tarpon Springs and Ormond and as its southern boundary Bradenton and Titusville. The recommendation has been approved by President Hoover. It leaves the exact location of the site for future determination by a subcommittee of the Federal Hospitalization Board.

IMPROVEMENT IN BUSINESS SHOWN BY BANK REPORT

March And April Statistics Reveal Industrial Activity

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24.—(AP)—Improvement in the industrial situation was reported by a federal reserve board yesterday in its monthly summary of financial conditions based upon statistics gathered in March and April.

The board said further increase in industrial activity was reported in March and this was accepted as an indication of general improvement, since that month usually shows little change from February.

Factory employment and payrolls increased by the usual seasonal amount between the middle of February and the middle of March, the board said. "The volume of building contracts awarded in March showed considerably growth, largely of a seasonal nature. The general level of wholesale prices continued to decline."

Industrial production increased 2 percent in March and the board's seasonally adjusted index stood at 88 percent of the 1923-1925 average compared with 104 percent in March, 1930.

There was considerable increase in daily average output of steel which ordinarily shows little change from February to March while production of automobiles increased by about the unusual seasonal percentage. Activity at cotton mills increased slightly contrary to the ordinary seasonal movement and there was substantial gain in output of shoes. In the first half of April steel mill activity declined.

"The number of men employed at factories increased between the middle of February and middle of March by about the usual seasonal amount," the board said. "In the steel and iron and automobile industries somewhat larger than usual increases were shown and at textile mills and some factories where the number employed ordinarily declines in March, substantial increases in employment were reported. In the agricultural machinery and petroleum refining industry (Continued On Page Five)

Guards Increased For Royal Visitors As Plot Is Heard

BOSTON, Apr. 24.—(AP)—A hostess at the Copple-Plaza hotel, who said she heard two men plotting an assassination outside a window at the hotel yesterday caused the police guard to be redoubled around the hostess at which Prince and Princess Takamatsu of Japan stayed last night.

Mrs. Clark Burrell, hostess, told police she heard the word "assassinate" and "overdropping" further, she heard one of the men say, "How are we going to get them here, he has two bodyguards?" She said the other man answered, "We have to do the job today."

Mrs. Burrell then informed the manager who in turn called the police. Two squad cars were sent to surround the vicinity.

Original plans were to have 16 policemen and two sergeants on duty at the hotel when the royal guests arrived. After the disclosure of Mrs. Burrell's detachment was deemed as a precautionary measure and further augmented by plain clothesmen and motorcade officers.

FESS SCORED BY SHOUSE FOR SAYING HE LIED

Democrat Says G.O.P. Head Should Have Verified Facts Before Making Charge

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24.—(AP)—A charge by Chairman Fess of the Republican National Committee that Joseph Shouse, of a "deliberate lie" in a recent San Francisco speech brought an assault on the Ohio senator yesterday from the chairman of the Democratic National Executive Committee.

In two statements issued from national headquarters, Shouse said Fess should have substantiated his facts before attributing to him a statement that the Republican organization purchased 10,000,000 copies of an eastern magazine carrying an article by Robert Cruise McManus, a newspaperman, attacking the religion of Chairman Raskob of the Democratic National Committee.

Fess based his statement on a San Francisco newspaper account of Shouse's speech in that city Apr. 15. Shouse said he never made such a statement.

"In the speech at San Francisco," he said, "I called attention to an article published in Scribner's magazine of last September, excerpted from which were reproduced in a pamphlet issued by the Republican National Committee under the heading 'Smear Hoover Raskob's Order to His Subsidized Propagandists.'"

"I definitely charged that the Republican National Committee had flooded the country with copies of this pamphlet, indeed that the pamphlet constituted a very considerable part of the publicity of the Republican Party in the congressional campaign of last fall."

"Based on an alleged statement of facts wholly without foundation," Shouse added, "Mr. Fess accuses me of having been guilty of a 'deliberate lie.' The short and ugly word is one that gentlemen are very careful about using, and any man having the slightest regard for his reputation, particularly a man occupying a high official or political position, might be expected to substantiate the facts about any alleged incident before he assumes to voice them."

Shouse also denied the newspaper statement quoted by Fess to the effect that he spoke of the anti-Raskob incident in the mistaken belief that his speech was not being broadcast at that time.

New Improvements Will Be Installed In Milane Theater

The immediate installation of a cooling and ventilating system, and the furnishing of the Milane theater with the latest in pneumatic seats was the result of a short visit to Sanford yesterday of E. J. Sparks, prominent Florida theater owner, who accompanied by Frank Rogers and B. B. Garner, officials of Sparks Enterprises, Inc., spent the afternoon with J. L. Merritt, manager of the Milane Theater.

Mr. Sparks, who is the owner of more than 50 theaters in this state, authorized the changes, and ordered work to be started at once. The new cooling system is noiseless in operation, and can be regulated so as to maintain any temperature desired.

It was also disclosed that in line with the Sparks policy of bringing the latest in talking motion pictures to each theater of the chain, that a new series of pictures have been purchased for the Milane which would inaugurate a new era in the development of the talking screen. "Trader Horn," one of the box-office hits of the season, is the first of the series to be brought to Sanford. It will be shown during the second week in May.

It was Mr. Sparks' first visit to Sanford in some months, and he expressed himself as pleased with conditions locally, and in Florida in general.

WOMEN ANTI-DRYS SELECT PRIZE POSTER



WASHINGTON—Mrs. Edward S. Moore, of New York, left, chairman of the poster committee of the second national conference of Women's Organizations for National Prohibition Reform; Mrs. Duncan Phillips of Washington and Felix Mahoney, noted Capital artist, photographed with the winning poster which was selected at the conference in Washington.

JAMES DONAHUE, WOOLWORTH KIN, COMMITS SUICIDE

Motive For Act Is Believed To Be Due To Fit Of Despondency

NEW YORK, Apr. 24.—(AP)—James P. Donahue, son-in-law of the late F. W. Woolworth, founder of the five-and-ten-cent store chain, died yesterday of poison.

Donahue excused himself from the luncheon table in his home last Sunday. When he came back he announced he had "done it."

To the physician who treated him since Sunday he confided that he was "a chump for doing this," and he begged that the facts be kept from his wife.

It was believed for several hours that Donahue's death had been natural. A report by Dr. Dewey (Continued on Page Three)

Kidnaped Doctor Is Believed Held For Exorbitant Ransom

ST. LOUIS, Apr. 24.—(AP)—The Globe-Democrat says indications last night were that Dr. Isaac D. Kelley Jr., reported kidnaped Monday night, has established his first contact with his wife and friends through the medium of a letter, presumably written from Chicago, in which he said he was being held for a ransom of not less than \$100,000.

The newspaper says a letter written in pencil was delivered by a special delivery messenger at the Kelley home late yesterday, upon its receipt several attorneys who have been acting as Mrs. Kelley's advisers immediately went into a conference, the nature of which they declined to discuss.

The letter, the Globe-Democrat says, is understood to narrate that the captors believe him and his family to be extremely wealthy and they will not be content with a ransom of less than \$100,000.

Carroll Harlan, attorney and friend of the Kelley family, denied emphatically, however, that a ransom letter had been received. He described the letter received by Mrs. Kelley, as one from Roman Catholic sisters who were praying for the return of her husband.

Revolution Declared Ended In Honduras

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24.—(AP)—Official declaration that the revolutionary movement in Honduras had terminated was contained in a communication from the government today to the Washington legation. The terse message from the foreign relations department said: "Revolutionary movement quelled. This was followed by an earlier message saying the revolutionists had concentrated their forces at Chameleone and were defeated after 48 hours of fighting which was considered here as a decisive engagement."

Hagan, McRory Bills Passed Last Night

TALLAHASSEE, Apr. 24.—The House last night passed the following bills by Representatives McRory and Hagan. Establishing a bird reservation in Longwood; validating Ordinance 13 of Altamonte Springs pertaining to redefining the corporate limits under the municipal act of May 4, 1925; authorizing Oviedo to foreclose tax liens on real property; validating tax assessment rolls of Oviedo; levies of taxes and sale by the city tax collector of lands for non payment of taxes; and prescribing the method for advertising the sale in Altamonte Springs.

Postmaster Hall Seeks Further Aid In Search For Man

Postmaster J. P. Hall again asks the co-operation of residents of this vicinity in bringing the search for Fred Lacy, 63, believed to be in this section, to a successful conclusion, following receipt of a letter today from Mr. Lacy's daughter, Mrs. L. H. Raines, of Argentine, Kan.

Mrs. Raines has only lately learned that her father was alive, after having thought him dead for many years. He is said to have been in Sanford or vicinity some time ago, but all efforts to locate him have failed. Mrs. Raines believes that there is some individual here who may be able to throw light on Mr. Lacy's whereabouts, and she appeals to that person to notify her at once at 1120 South Thirty Seventh Street, Argentine, Kan.

Mr. Lacy, who was described as being 62 years old, having brown eyes, five feet, five inches tall, was married to Shilby Huffman in July 1886 at Shilbith, Kan. Their daughter, who is now Mrs. Raines, was born in 1887.

A young white man, Sergeant H. R. Thomas, Battery "C," 70th Field Artillery, stationed at Fort Warren, Wyo., has also written Postmaster Hall asking him to aid in locating his father, Hester Thomas, who is said to be in this vicinity. Mr. Thomas was described as having dark brown hair, brown eyes, is six feet tall, weighs 220 pounds, and has a scar on his forehead near the hair line. Any persons knowing the whereabouts of either man should get in touch with Postmaster Hall at once.

Third Mysterious Killing Is Puzzling Police Of San Diego

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Apr. 24.—(AP)—Officers at work to solve the gruesome slayings of Virginia Brooks, 11, and Louise Tusher, 17, were confronted today by a third mysterious killing.

The body of Mrs. W. D. Dibbens, 36, was discovered in her apartment and officers were unable to determine whether she had been strangled or her throat cut. It was evident she had been slain on Apr. 16.

Mrs. Dibbens wore many jewels and was a follower of the Agua Caliente race. Her apartment had been ransacked and the jewels were missing. The killing became known just two days after Miss Tusher's body was found.

CLERGYMEN WILL NOT SUPPORT ANY WARS IN FUTURE

Majority Answering Questionnaire Are Opposed To Force

NEW YORK, Apr. 24.—(AP)—More than 10,000 Protestant Christian clergymen in the United States are personally prepared to state it is their present purpose not to sanction any future war or to participate as an armed combatant.

The number—totaling 10,427—represents 84 per cent of 12,372 ministers who replied to a questionnaire sent out by 10 New York clergymen under the auspices of "The World Tomorrow," edited by Kirby Page.

The other 8945 clergymen were divided in groups of: Willing to participate, 6628; in doubt, 2900; no answer, 254.

Eighty-three per cent of the 19,372 clergymen were opposed to (Continued On Page Five)

Rebel Forces Are Beaten By Federal Honduran Soldiers

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Apr. 24.—(AP)—Federal troops turned back the rebel forces yesterday in a desperate battle at Chameleone, driving the enemy out of the area and saving the rail head at San Pedro Sula, not far away.

In the past two days that sector has seen the most vicious fighting since the rebellion began. The rebels attacked once, were repulsed, attacked again and were driven off, then spent all they had in the battle of yesterday.

Railway communication between San Pedro Sula and Puerto Cortes were resumed yesterday and the federal forces, leaving a guard for the line, prepared to press their advantage and pursue the enemy.

The government is claiming important victories all along the line, but the losses at Chameleone have not been estimated. Yesterday 29 men were killed and many wounded in a series of minor engagements along the north coast, where the rebels succeeded in paralyzing wire communications with Tegucigalpa.

A strong group of rebels was reported in advance from San Salvador to have been captured and interned by Salvadoran authorities when they attempted to invade Honduras from that point. Under the leadership of Ladislao Vasquez and Pedro H. Ordonez, they were said to have been planning an attack on the Valle district—near Fonseca Bay.

CHARTER BILLS ARE APPROVED BY CITY HEADS

One-Year Grace Limit Contained In Measure Relating To Tax Lien Foreclosures

Six proposed bills affecting the City Charter, and prepared by the Sanford City Commissioners and members of the Legislative Committee of the Sanford Chamber of Commerce, were given unanimous approval by the Commissioners at a special meeting held at the City Hall yesterday afternoon. They will be sent to Representatives Geo. W. McRory and L. P. Hagan today, and the Commissioners expect to meet with those legislators in Tallahassee Tuesday to discuss the measures and urge the introduction and passage of each of them.

As in last week's meeting, when the bills were first discussed officially, the Commissioners spent considerable time reviewing the bill which relates to the foreclosure of tax liens. The re-assessed 1927, 1928, 1929 taxes were seen as the most important items which needed consideration before a bill providing for foreclosure was passed. The Commissioners discussed the advisability of providing for the immediate foreclosure of taxes for those years, and of repealing all parts of the charter which provide that a two year grace period be allowed before foreclosure proceedings could be commenced.

The bill, as finally agreed upon, proposes that any taxes now delinquent or which may become delinquent in the future may be foreclosed upon one year after Apr. 1, the day the tax books close. In other words, if the bill is passed, persons who owe taxes on property as of any year up to 1930 will be allowed one year's grace period before the City "may, by resolution direct the City Attorney to foreclose the liens against any real property therein and therefor assessed with taxes and which taxes have not been paid."

All foreclosure proceedings may be in the manner now provided by (Continued On Page Eight)

Final Rites Will Be Paid Mrs. Mary Imlay

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Imlay, 70, who died shortly after noon today at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. R. Stevens, Park Avenue, will be held at the First Presbyterian Church tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. The Rev. E. D. Brownlee will be the officiating clergyman, and burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery. The Erickson Funeral Home has charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Imlay, who has resided here for about six years, is survived by only one member of her immediate family, her sister, Mrs. Stevens. She was born in Ashley, Pa., on Nov. 9, 1860.

Among those who will attend the funeral tomorrow are Mrs. Clara Black, a sister-in-law of Mrs. Imlay's, who arrived from Pennsylvania today, Dr. Ralph E. Stevens, Jacksonville, and Miss Rebecca Stevens, a student at the Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee.

Elks Band Will Give Program On Sunday

Bandmaster Edgar A. Bell, leader of the Sanford Elks Club Band which will play a half hour concert at Central Park Sunday afternoon starting at 2:30 o'clock, today announced the program which would be rendered at that time. The concert will be played immediately preceding a program in observance of Confederate Memorial Day the feature of which will be an address by Mayor J. T. Alsop, Jr. of Jacksonville.

The program is as follows:
1. March, "Colonel Bogey," Edwards.
2. Excerpt, "Babe in the Wood," Herbert.
3. Sacred Fantasia, "Love and Loyalty," Berghouse.
4. Grand selection, "The hemian Girl," Balfe.
5. Vocal solo, "Mighty Love," Ross.
6. Grand March from "The Merry Widow."
7. Star Spangled Banner.

BANK HOLIDAY

Monday, Apr. 27 being a legal holiday in Florida in observance of Confederate Memorial Day which falls on Sunday, Apr. 26, the Sanford-Atlantic National Bank will be closed for business. All orders for payrolls or business of any important nature should be transacted on Saturday, according to Linton E. Allen, president of the bank.

JACKSONVILLE.—City Market, 1400 West Beaver Street, formally opened.

