

GRAND JURY TO START PROBE OF LINDY CASE

Twenty-Dollar Note Identified As Part Of Money Given To Alleged Kidnapers

FLEMINGTON, New Jersey, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—The county grand jury today began an investigation of the Lindbergh case. It was presented with all the information available to the authorities.

GREENWICH, Conn., Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—A middle-aged woman fled from a bakery here last night after a \$20 note which she had offered was identified positively by the proprietress as one of the Lindbergh ransom bills.

Police said the note bore the number KB 68887820 A. The woman, who had come to the store in a green sedan driven by a chauffeur, grabbed the note and ran when the proprietress, described by police as a Mrs. Decornille, exclaimed:

"Why, that's one of the Lindbergh bills."
The bill number was originally announced at police headquarters as KB 68887820 A, a number which did not appear on the official list of ransom notes. Officials announced, later, however, that a check had shown the next to the last digit was a "9" instead of a "2."

Mrs. Decornille, who has resided in Greenwich less than two weeks, had a newspaper list of the ransom bills posted beside the counter. She told police the woman, well dressed and attractive, entered the shop at 5 P. M. and Brown dress.

"Stop for questioning," demanded the note after ordering a strawberry pie and a loaf of bread. The bakery is located on the Boston Post Road in the center of Greenwich.

Greenwich police broadcast a description of the automobile and the woman on the automatic typewriter system.

The text of the message was "Greenwich, Conn."
"Police department reports a woman of following description went into a bakeryshop in city of Greenwich, made a purchase and presented \$20 bill in payment. Stenographer looked at bill and remarked it was one of the Lindbergh bills."

"Woman grabbed bill out of stenographer's hand and ran out of store and jumped into green hard-top sedan. License number unknown. It was waiting outside with a chauffeur at the back door."
"Woman is white. Age 42. 5 feet, 6 inches. Good looking. Dark complexioned. Wore string of pearls, silver beads around neck. Gray felt hat. Gray tweed coat."
"Greenwich is about 30 miles northeast of New York City, just inside the Connecticut state line."

NORFOLK, Va., Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—The very Rev. Dean H. DeBon-Peacock, intermediary in the Lindbergh case, in a statement last night said the continued absence of an associate on a contact mission convinces him that he has been able to re-establish connection with the kidnapers.

The clergyman, serving as a spokesman for John Hughes Curtis, now away on the contact trip, said Admiral Guy H. Burgess, retired, said he felt more optimistic last night than he had at any time during their negotiations.

The statement follows:
"The continued absence of Mr. Curtis convinces me that he has been able to re-establish his contact despite all the recent discomfiting complications. If he had returned today it would have been indicative of a serious setback in the negotiations. I feel more optimistic tonight than I have at any time during our efforts to Lindbergh."

This phase of the trial in pressing further negotiations remained uncertain last night pending the question of Mr. Curtis' mission. Questions relative to the status of this mission are the only ones which have been asked by the public.

P. A. B. B. Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—John Amerand, former French ambassador to the United States,

Petition Is Filed To Force Vote On Bill

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—A petition to force a legalize 2.75 percent beer was filed today by Representative O'Conner, Democrat, of New York. He said he expected to have sufficient signers to bring the matter to a vote Apr. 25 or May 9.

MARTIN ACCEPTS HARDEE DEFY TO MEET IN DEBATE

Lively Words Spoken As Both Candidates Appear At Bronson

BRONSON, Apr. 12.—During a speaking here yesterday morning at the opening of court, shared by former Governors John W. Martin and Cary Hardee, candidates for governor, Mr. Martin called the hand of the Live Oak candidate when he accepted a challenge to meet him before every audience in the state.

Mr. Hardee, who spoke first, was speaking here yesterday morning at the opening of court, shared by former Governors John W. Martin and Cary Hardee, candidates for governor, Mr. Martin called the hand of the Live Oak candidate when he accepted a challenge to meet him before every audience in the state.

"I wish I could meet him before every audience in the state," said Hardee.
Martin, who was seated near the speaker, called out "You can."
"I must be getting under your hide," said Hardee.
"No you're not," Martin replied.
"I challenge you to back up your statement."
Hardee replied, "Make out the itinerary."
"You will make it out," said Mr. Martin, "and I will meet you in every county in Florida. There's no rabbit blood in me."

Mr. Hardee made no response.
Both candidates have recently completed speaking tours through West Florida. Mr. Martin started about two weeks ahead and was followed by Mr. Hardee. Yesterday they met for the first time at the same hour and spoke from the same platform in the presence of each other.

Mr. Martin charged that the support of his chief opponent in the governor's race is largely from the administration of Gov. Doyle E. Carlton, the closed banks and the section of the state banking fraternity opposed to legislation for the protection of depositors.

"In discussing Mr. Hardee's record," said Mr. Martin, "it is necessary for me to discuss Carlton, because it has been published in a newspaper which had been the spokesman of the Carlton administration."
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Asheville Woman Dies After Taking Poison In France

NICE, France, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Mrs. Ella Mae Bjorkman, 32, of Asheville, N. C., died Sunday in a Nice hospital from loss of blood and poison swallowed Friday night.

The actress and author was found by a chambermaid in her hotel room with her left wrist slashed, and police said they had established that she drank two bottles of a toilet preparation containing poison.

A note found in her room said: "If today there is nothing else left, I will exist no more," and authorities theorized the woman had lost money over the gaming table.

Mrs. Bjorkman was the wife of Edwin Bjorkman, Swedish author, translator and editor, who resides in Asheville. She formerly was Miss Ella Mae Pratt of Asheville, and until her marriage in 1930, advertising manager for several large department stores there.

Bjorkman, who is engaged in translating Swedish works into English, said he knew of no reason for his wife's act unless she was out of funds "and ashamed to ask for them."

BARONESS TRIES SUICIDE

NEW ORLEANS, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—A woman who attempted to drown herself in the Mississippi River has been identified as the Baroness de Constant Rebecque Petronella Sara Maria Dulcis, of the Netherlands. The Netherlands consul has arranged to send her to the home of a nurse. She arrived Apr. 1 and registered at the Y. W. C. A.

PUBLIC BLAMED FOR EVILS OF STOCK MARKET

Exchange HeadScoffs At Claim That Recent Bear Raid Contributed To Decline

By FRANCIS M. STEPHENSON
WASHINGTON, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Blame for violent fluctuations in security prices was attributed today by the public to the New York Stock Exchange, which scoffed at claims that bear raids contributed to the recent market decline.

Testifying at the outset of the Senate Banking Committee's investigation of the Exchange, Whitney said the public placed unwarranted values on stocks in the inflationary period prior to 1929 and was now "trying to give the United States away" by excessive liquidation.

An all-day cross-examination by members of the committee failed to shake his defense of short selling.

The committee made no attempt to elicit any names of the dealers in short selling, who the administration is convinced have been trying to drive down prices for personal gain, until Whitney can obtain further records.

While Whitney testified, the stock market resumed the decline which last week precipitated the committee's sudden investigation. It claimed last week's fall in prices to liquidation as a result of world events. The total short interest in the market, Whitney said, declined from 3,279,000 shares on Apr. 1 to 3,059,000 on Apr. 5.

To illustrate his point further, Whitney testified that from Sept. 11 to Oct. 3, last year, when he said the market was "going down fast," the short interest declined by 2,200,000 shares.

The Stock Exchange head denied reports that three-day bear raids in the stock market recently.

To show they are not behind a curtain of the Exchange, he told of a recent occasion when a partnership had been dissolved because of an apparent effort to depress the price of a stock.

Less than two weeks ago, he said, 200 shares of American Telephone and Telegraph Company stock was sold on a "seller's contract" at less than the prevailing price. It was followed by another sale still lower.

Within two hours, he said, a preliminary investigation was made and although the price was made conclusive it looked as if it were a short sale to demoralize and depress the price.

Carey Hardee Spends Part Of Day In City

Carey A. Hardee, former governor of Florida, his cousin, J. J. Hardee, of Tampa, and his publicity director, C. P. Helfenstein, editor of the Sewanee Courier Democrat at Live Oak, spent several hours in Sanford today en route to Fort Pierce where Mr. Hardee will deliver an address tomorrow.

The party arrived in Sanford this morning from Bronson, and visited several business houses, as well as the Court House where Mr. Hardee renewed old acquaintances, and briefly declared himself pleased at the reception attending his appearance in Florida cities.

Mr. Hardee will return to Sanford late next week, to deliver his first address before the voters of Seminole County. The address will be heard in the Court House, and the date and hour to be announced later.

Rotary Club Stages Regular Luncheon

W. M. Haynes acted as president of the Sanford Rotary Club today in the absence of S. C. Gray, who with several other members of the club, is attending the annual convention at Miami today.

Democratic Leaders Pool Efforts To Block Cash Payment Of Vets' Bonus

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Democratic leaders in Congress yesterday pooled their strength with administration forces in a determined effort to block cash payment of the soldiers' bonus.

Representative Rainey, the Democratic House leader, listened to bonus advocates urge before the Ways and Means Committee an issue of new currency to make the \$2,400,000,000 payment. He then assailed the plan as "uneconomic, unsound and destructive."

Senator Robinson, party leader in the Senate, declared himself against the bonus.

These statements, coming after President Hoover's threat of a veto, cemented the leadership of both parties against the movement.

Three spokesmen for the bonus at House committee hearings, based their plea on the need of currency "reflation" in restoring prosperity. They were Representative Rainey, Democrat, Texas, former Senator, Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma and Representative Conner, Democrat, Massachusetts.

ROOSEVELT MEN EXPECT 80 MORE VOTES THIS WEEK

Added Delegates Will Boost His Total To An Estimated 235

NEW YORK, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Supporters of Governor Roosevelt here expect 80 Democratic delegates at large to the National convention to vote for him this week.

At the time of the 1928 Alfred I. Smith campaign Roosevelt carried again the year had 241 individual pledges and 140 pledged delegates.

Those opposing the Roosevelt campaign, the headquarters of the New York Democratic state committee here today, however, that their present total of 135 extremely conservative—that is, vote at all, are not included.

Other supporters of Roosevelt have passed their present strength as high as 1,000, including 700 in the four states which will cast 144 delegates this week—26 in Kentucky, 26 in Nebraska and 54 in Illinois, all today, and 68 in Michigan, Thursday.

Kentucky delegates were definitely assured for Roosevelt by action of county conventions last week.

At Roosevelt headquarters here it was said a campaign had been received the governor also would get all the Michigan and Nebraska votes.

After the Illinois delegation votes for its favorite, Senator James Hamilton Lewis, the Roosevelt forces expect to get a majority of the bloc.

The New York governor visited headquarters of the state committee yesterday for the first time and was introduced to the office staff as "our next president."

Meantime, one Tammany Hall (Continued on Page Two)

Committee Will Soon Begin Drive To Obtain Salvation Army Funds

H. R. Stevens has accepted the general chairmanship of a committee soon to engage in a drive for funds with which to carry out a comprehensive program of community service by the Salvation Army during the year 1932-33.

WITNESSES IN 'HONOR' TRIAL PUT ON STAND

Prosecution Seeks To Link 3 Defendants With Abduction And Slaying Of Victim

HONOLULU, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Efforts to picture what happened behind the drawn blinds of the home of Mrs. Granville Fortescue, Jan. 8, when Joseph Kahahawai was allegedly lynched were made by the prosecution today in the trial of the society woman and three navy men for the killing.

John Kelley, prosecutor, produced witnesses who linked the defendants with the abduction of Kahahawai and with the automobile stopped by police while rushing toward the sea with the boy which apparently was to have been thrown to the sharks.

He attempted to prove through witnesses that the killing occurred in the Fortescue home. Kahahawai allegedly was killed for an attack on Mrs. Thomas Massie, wife of a naval lieutenant.

Two witnesses, Edward Ulli, cousin of the victim, and George von Arnswald, a policeman, quickly identified the four in connection with the abduction last Jan. 8 of the young Hawaiian and in the subsequent futile dash of an automobile toward the sea with his sheet shrouded body.

The New York and Washington society woman sat stiffly upright and obviously under strain to retain her composure as Ulli told a broken English and native pattern woman Kahahawai had been lured into an automobile and whisked away.

Only once did a smile flit over her placid features. That was when Lawrence Darrow, general counsel of the defense, turned and pointed at her as she entered the courtroom. Her answering smile appeared forced.

John C. Kelley, Honolulu's new prosecutor, told a vivid story of the abduction and slaying in his opening statement, but Darrow, keeping the prosecution in the dark as much as possible regarding his plans, reserved his statement to the mixed jury.

Always alert, the veteran Chicago lawyer twice interrupted the story of prosecution witnesses. He questioned them closely as to whether Lieut. Thomas H. Massie, a co-defendant, made any remark when the car containing Kahahawai's body was stopped while it was dashing toward the wild straits about Koko head, near the outskirts of the city.

Ulli testified he had gone to the judiciary building with Kahahawai Jan. 8, the day of the tragedy. The latter then made his daily report pending trial on charges of participating with four other men in an attack on Mrs. Massie, wife of the lieutenant and daughter of Mrs. Fortescue.

The witness pointed out Albert O. Jones, one of the two accused by evidence, as the person who handed Kahahawai a spurious warrant by which the abductor gained their end. Jones arose and gazed unflinchingly at Ulli.

The latter previously had named the abductors of Mrs. Fortescue, Massie and Edward J. Lord, the fourth defendant. He said Massie wore a false mustache.

Darrow asked how he knew the mustache of the man he had identified as Massie was false.

"It was flat," said Ulli.
"Did you ever see a false mustache before then?" Darrow queried.
"No."
"Ever seen one since?"
"No."
With that Darrow excused Ulli. As Ulli pointed to Mrs. Fortescue as the woman in the abduction as she did not look up.

Funeral Service For Mrs. McFall Tomorrow

Funeral services for Mrs. Bell McFall, 60, who died at her home in Forest City early this morning after an illness of several months, will be held at the Erickson Funeral Home tomorrow afternoon at 1:00 o'clock. Burial will be in Lakewood Cemetery.

Mrs. McFall is a native of Illinois, where she was born on Dec. 12, 1862. She lived with her husband, who is her only survivor, on a small farm in the Forest City section, and she is well-known among residents of south-western Seminole County.

Refunding Of Bond Debt Of City Asked By Commissioners

KEEFE PLAN FOR TAX SALE DEALS IS TURNED DOWN

Commission Rejects Proposal At Meeting Held Last Night

Flat rejection of a bondholders' Protective Committee plan of how the City Commission should dispose of properties it is now acquiring as a result of tax sales, shared a major portion of the highlights of last night's meeting of the Commission, held at the City Hall with all members present.

Mayor Dumas' statement, "Write Mr. Keefe and tell him that the City will pursue the plan it is now using in regard to the property," met the full accord of the rest of the Commission, in a session which produced a statement from Commissioner Leffler that "if some relief isn't given soon, we'll turn the operation of the City over to the Committee. We're doing all we can but that doesn't seem to be enough."

Kenneth M. Keefe, New York, chairman of the Committee, addressed the following letter to the Commission:

"It is our understanding that one of the purposes of the tax enforcement program in Sanford, now being carried out by you, is to restore to the current tax roll properties upon which taxes and special assessments have become delinquent.

We suggest for your consideration that the practice of requiring bids for the full amount of taxes and fees, irrespective of the market value of the property, before the property can be sold to the City, does not relieve the situation in respect to those properties whose present market value is not equal to the amount of taxes and fees due. If the property is sold at the foreclosure sale or after it is acquired by the City at the exact amount of taxes and fees, as we see it nothing is accomplished through foreclosure.

The present owners of a prospective purchaser will not be interested in those properties whose market value approaches the redemption price while the sale of properties which exceed in value the amount of taxes and fees will not attract the owner so long as he is assured that no one other than the City will acquire such property at the sale, if he can acquire it from the City at any time by paying IN BONDS money to face amount of the taxes and fees, plus the costs IN CASH.

As to the relatively more valuable properties, the owner can adequately protect himself by merely attending the foreclosure sale and outbidding bids submitted by other than the City. The result of such practice is merely to transfer the tax liens from one look to another."
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Andes Eruptions Send Smoke, Dust 800 Miles A way

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Government officials made tentative preparations today to evacuate 80,000 inhabitants of Mendoza, Argentina's principal western city as erupting Andean volcanoes continued to menace a wide area with dust, pines, ashes, and lava more than 11 inches deep over some of the territory.

Winds showered dust 800 miles across Central South America and meteorologists expressed the opinion the eruptions might be the forerunner of a worldwide volcanic wave, volcanoes becoming active which have long been considered dead.

Ashes enveloped Buenos Aires and Montevideo, and most of Uruguay. Fears of hundreds of thousands of inhabitants of Central Chile, particularly, were increased as earthquake shocks and ground settling grew more frequent and darkness covered a wide area showered by dust from more than a dozen volcanoes.

Farmers herded their cattle into sheltered places and business near Talca was practically at a standstill.

AGRICULTURE HEADS MEET

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Seth P. Storz, state commissioner of agriculture, yesterday said that southern states would convene in Birmingham on Apr. 27 and 28. Committees are expected from 11 states, including Florida.

Waiver Of Accrued Interest To Date Is Sought In Letter To Bond Holders

Virtual refunding of the City of Sanford's bonded debt, set at a figure of \$6,314,000 on Mar. 31, 1932, with a waiver of accrued interest to date, was asked of the bondholders' Protective Committee by the Sanford City Commission in a letter sent to Kenneth M. Keefe, chairman of the Committee, last week.

That refunding is a procedure the Committee opposes at the present time is indicated in a letter received by Mayor T. L. Dumas Sunday, written by Mr. Keefe, and briefly outlining the committee's views as to the inadvisability of discussing any refunding plan at the present time.

This letter was written by Mr. Keefe in answer to a conference between the Committee and the Commission on Mar. 17.

A second letter from Mr. Keefe, answering the City's plan, was received late yesterday. It was brief and again called attention to the "inadvisability" of refunding the debt. Mr. Keefe concluded with, "Nevertheless, I will of course be glad to submit your communication to the Committee for consideration and you will hear from us within reasonable time."

The City's plan was formulated as the result of several informal conferences among the Commissioners, and with various representatives of the Committee. It was drafted at a special meeting last Wednesday afternoon, and it received the unanimous approval of the Commission.

The plan briefly is as follows: 1. The principal of the bonded indebtedness of the City as of Mar. 31, 1932, is the sum of \$6,314,000, and this is to be considered the principal upon which interest is to be paid as hereinafter stated, less any reduction in said principal that may take place between the date hereof and completion of settlement.

2. All accrued interest upon principal is to be waived.

3. Time of payment is to be extended for a period of 25 years.

4. The City will pay interest upon the aforesaid principal in 25 equal semi-annual payments on the first days of January and July, as follows: One percent for the first 10 years; two percent for the next succeeding five years; three percent for the next succeeding five years; four percent for the next succeeding five years.

5. The date of the first payment of interest shall be so fixed as to allow time for the collection of taxes in season to make such payment.

This plan forms the body of a letter which concludes with the following statement by the Commission:

"While the foregoing offer will mean a loss of some interest to our bondholders, it is made after many months of deliberation and study of the problem. We have taken into consideration not only the present ability of the City to pay, but also what may be reasonably expected in the future. The almost unprecedented depression in real estate values, and general adverse business conditions that have prevailed since early in 1929 have demonstrated that unless the bondholders make a liberal concession in the matter of interest payments, our City will be completely overwhelmed and never be able to extricate itself.

The state of uncertainty under which we are laboring and a knowledge that our bonded indebtedness together with interest at the present rates can never be paid in full, have forced many of our citizens almost to the decision to abandon their property, and we feel that the settlement suggested would restore the confidence of our

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One Man In Town Held To Be Holding Down Fifteen Jobs

GENESECO, Ill., Apr. 11.—(A.P.)—If you were to mention the "unemployment situation" to Philmas Morrow, his probable comeback would be: "What unemployment?"

By the 3000 residents of this town Morrow is regarded as the world's champion small-town job-holder in good times or bad.

Just now he has about 15 jobs. Dissenting some of them might raise the total—and several are of many years' tenure.

Three of his more important jobs are public offices—justice of the peace, deputy coroner and city clerk. On the first two jobs he has been on duty 25 years, on the last 11 years.

And, to boot, he also is—

A licensed real estate dealer, a notary public, agent for eight insurance companies, executor of three estates, administrator of three others and trustee of one, conservator of two wards, trustee of the Kiwanis Club, secretary and treasurer of Geneseo's Outing Club (for 17 years), secretary of the First Unitarian Church (for 16 years), secretary of a

cemetery association and treasurer of the Masonic lodge.

But despite all these demands on his time, Morrow makes no excuses when his wife wants him to attend bridge parties.

And he has time to go with his sons on fishing trips and to ball games, with his daughters to a show or some other social affair.

Even with all these jobs Morrow has accumulated no fortune. His family lives comfortably but not extravagantly.

Five Persons Commit Suicide In Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Apr. 11.—(A.P.)—Five persons committed suicide here yesterday and today and three others attempted to end their lives. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Turner died in a suicide pact when Turner shot his wife then slashed his own throat.

Mrs. Elsie Bernagek also died in a poison suicide pact with her husband but physicians said he would recover. Michael Kopcsand died of poison and Frank Hoffman inhaled gas. Mrs. Julia Chaky and Miss Louise Casline attempted suicide by taking poison.

FORT MEADE—H. W. Reiff improving store.

Naval Station In Key West Hit By Cut In Expenses

WASHINGTON, Apr. 11.—(A.P.)—The move for retrenchment in expenditures yesterday fell upon the Key West and New Orleans naval operating bases, with orders from Secretary Adams that activities at both stations be reduced to a minimum.

The Key West base was ordered closed to a "bare maintenance status" and activities at New Orleans reduced to a minimum. The orders specified that the activity reductions were to occur not later than June 30, the end of the present fiscal year. Savings estimated at \$40,000 are expected by the secretary.

The naval radio stations at the two bases will be retained in service.

Reduction of the Key West and New Orleans activities were said by naval officials last night to be in line with a long standing plan. In recent years, under this program, activities at both Key West and New Orleans had been gradually reduced.

The Key West activities will be transferred to Charleston, S. C.

radio operation will be continued operable on one month's notice. Only navy personnel necessary for radio operation will be retained and civil personnel including watchmen will be retained only to the barest extent necessary.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

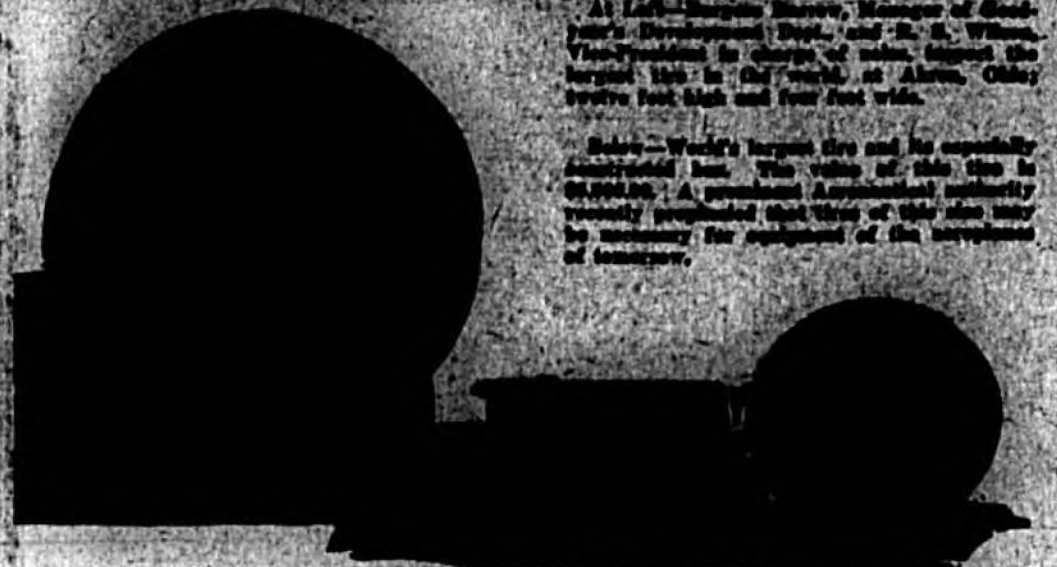
"ARE SIN, DISEASE AND DEATH REAL?" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Science and Health, April 10.

The Golden Text was from Psalms 68:20. He that is seated is the God of salvation; and unto God the Lord belong the issues from death.

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. What shall we say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? (Rom. 8:1, 2, 31).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:

HUGE TIRE IS COMING HERE



Mammoth tire, built by the Goodyear Rubber Company at a cost of \$2,000, will be in transfer Tuesday and Wednesday and can be seen in front of Mackey's Tire Shop where it will be on display as part of a nation-wide exhibition.

Neither evil, disease, nor death is spiritual, and the material relief in them disappears in the halo of one's spiritual growth" (p. 368).

PANAMA CITY — Panama Bakery formally opened in new headquarters on Harrison Avenue.

TAMPA — At annual meeting

of Peninsular Telephone Co., held here recently, normal construction budget of about \$500,000 for improvements and extensions approved.

DESTROYED AIRCRAFT
MADRID, Apr. 11.—(A.P.)—An Exchange dispatch from Madrid in the Bulletin Islands yesterday said the Spanish destroyers had had run aground and probably would be a total loss.

PLANT CITY — Henry Bessie Inc. opened for business on Baywalk Street.

BROOKVILLE — Brookville Theater opened under management of Mrs. D. L. Morrison.

TWO FOR ONE
TUESDAY
Clip 7-c Ad
This Ad and One Adult Ticket will admit Two Adults
CLAUDETTE COLBERT
Lilyan Tashman
Melvin Douglas
William Boyd

Repudiation Spells Disaster

HERE and there throughout the state of Florida, in some of the smaller counties and cities particularly, there has recently developed a tendency either to repudiate county and community bonds now outstanding or to manifest an amazing indifference in the matter of their payment.

If this tendency should prove contagious because of the general depression which now exists everywhere and results in a general breakdown of municipal financial integrity in Florida, it will be more disastrous to this state and to the people than any freeze, any flood, any drought or any hurricane that has ever occurred in this commonwealth.

Any man may at times have difficulty in meeting his obligations, owing to conditions over which he has no control; but if he shows a disposition to meet his creditors honestly, is willing to explain his situation and indicate his desire to meet his commitments later on, almost invariably, if he has any fair prospects of success, he will be able by patience and hard work to regain his lost position. That same principal will apply to states and counties and to any other political subdivisions of the people. It will also apply to them as it would apply to the citizen, who, forgetful of his obligations to his fellowman, throws up his hands when clouds first begin to lower and indicates his unwillingness to even try to take himself out of the storm.

The citizens of Florida, through its counties, cities, school districts and road and bridge districts, finds itself seriously involved in financial difficulties. Not every community in the state is affected, but so many of them are affected that it has become a state-wide problem. Five hundred and ninety-five million dollars has been invested in this state, nearly all by outside participants. They are not all owned by banks and great investing corporations. They are largely held by fraternal and charitable organizations, insurance companies, savings banks, trust companies and trustees acting in a fiduciary capacity for widows and orphans, the aged, the blind, the crippled and the afflicted. Many thousands of these beneficiaries live in Florida.

These bonds were bought and sold in good faith because a few years ago funds were needed in large amounts to create improvements demanded by the great influx of new residents and business to this state. At the time they were issued there was no reason to believe that every interest payment would not be met promptly and the bonds paid in full at maturity. Generally, there was no mistake made in the issuance of the bonds. Perhaps, if the future could have been foretold, in some instances they would not have been voted by the people; but the fact of their necessity in nearly every case was manifest. The mistake, if any mistake was made, consisted in creating bonds with short term maturities, rather than having them cover a period of time commensurate with the subsequent situation.

When evil times came, which of course were unexpected, bond maturities arrived simultaneously. Very few communities in Florida have been able to adequately meet this combination of adverse circumstances. As a matter of fact, they could not have been satisfactorily met under similar circumstances in any other state in the Union. And Florida has no right to lament its particular fate in the face of a world calamity. As a matter of fact, it stands today on a firmer financial foundation than many of its sister states.

No body of men has ever shown a finer disposition to meet their debtors with a sympathetic spirit and to discuss their mutual troubles in a friendly way than the committee representing the Northern holders of Florida bonds that met in this city last week. They came here to view the Florida bond situation at first hand and to try to find a remedy, if possible, for existing conditions. Both sides to the discussion recognized the fact that the bonds were issued lawfully; that the counties and cities received their full value; that no part of the proceeds was expended needlessly, and that the improvements made as a result of their issue, and now being enjoyed by the people were necessary under the conditions then existing.

It is too bad that here and there throughout the state we find citizens who, regardless of their own reputation, or that of the communities in which they live, are willing to say that because it seems difficult to meet requirements so that the bonds will be ultimately paid in full, they might as well throw up their hands and let the bondholders go hang! Of course, the law won't let that happen in any event; but such an attitude on the part of the people in general would create a condition in this state from which it would never recover in financial integrity or permanent growth. To have even a suspicion aroused as to public integrity would create throughout the country a sentiment of doubt as to whether or not anybody in Florida could ever be relied upon to meet his ordinary and usual business obligations as is expected in the business world.

It should also be remembered that this disease of repudiation has been fostered to some extent by speculators who hope that by forcing the bond prices down through doubt and anxiety, the bonds may be purchased subsequently at disastrous discounts in order that large profits may be made hereafter when the courts ultimately force their payment.

Of the \$595,000,000 now outstanding in Florida, only about \$150,000,000 are as yet in default. The great hope of the officials throughout the state who have to meet this great difficulty now is that not only will some means be provided of properly taking care of the bonds in default, but also of preventing others from going into default. If a proper appreciation of the situation can be disseminated throughout the state, so that the citizens generally will understand the necessity of protecting their credit in every instance, which after all, can be readily accomplished, Florida will live on and prosper. If, however, this great commonwealth becomes known as an aggregation of municipalities which have no interest in its reputation for probity, the state will fall into disrepute which no one of this generation will live to see redressed.

To protect the people in this great work, the people themselves must indicate their willingness, by such procedure as may be necessary, to save themselves. The courts of the state, of course, will do what they can to hold the state's integrity, but without the people's support their work will be extremely difficult.

Above everything else, Floridians must say, "Come what will, we are going to pay our honest debts—if not now, at least in the future, but they will never be repudiated or thrown up in the air." Such a position will create respect and values throughout the entire state and will give outside financial interests confidence in our people and replace the state in its normal position.

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WHEN THE PAPER DOESN'T COME

My father says the paper he reads ain't put up right.

He finds a lot of fault, he does, perusin' it all night.

He says there ain't a single thing in it worth while to read.

And that it doesn't print the kind of stuff the people need.

He tosses it aside and says it's strictly on the bum.

But you ought to hear him holler when the paper doesn't come.

He reads about the wedding and he snorts like all get out.

He reads the social doings with a most derisive snort.

He says they make the paper for the women folks alone.

He'll read about the parties and he'll fume and fret and groan.

He says if information it doesn't have a crumb.

But you ought to hear him holler when the paper doesn't come.

He's always first to grab it and he reads it plumb clear through.

He doesn't miss a item or a want ad—this is true.

He says they don't know what we want, the darn newspaper guys.

I'm going to take a day sometime an' go an' put 'em wise.

Sometimes it seems as though they must be blind and deaf and dumb.

But you ought to hear him holler when the paper doesn't come.

—Auker, Unknown.

Enterprise, Kansas Journal.

No matter how poor a man may become he can always make the price of admission to a good baseball game.

You can't walk out on a shoe clerk as long as he has your left shoe—Times Union. Unless you left your shoe.

It's the personal touch, as most any of our candidates will tell you; that makes a campaign interesting—and expensive.

The Herald hopes that the Chamber of Commerce will be able to find some solution for the golf course problem without becoming hopelessly entangled with it.

In Germany Von Hindenburg ran on his record; Hitler on his promises. Von Hindenburg was elected. Let us hope that will be the way it will be in this country.

Dudley Field Malone, internationally famous lawyer, has suggested that a coalition government be formed in the United States and recommended as possible cabinet members: Newton D. Baker, secretary of state; Alfred E. Smith, secretary of the treasury; Pat Hurley, secretary of war; William Randolph Hearst, secretary of the navy, etc. Can you imagine a cat and dog fight like that?

A front page editorial in the Gainesville Daily Sun indicates that economic conditions in the university city are already bad, may get worse before the summer is over. There are 150 heads of families there who have no work to do. Practically all local funds for charitable purposes have been exhausted, and there is considerable doubt as to how these unemployed families are going to live through the summer. This seems to be the big problem almost everywhere.

President Hoover has graciously offered to accept a salary cut of \$7,500 a year, which would leave him an income of \$30,000 from the federal treasury of one dollar a year. His suggestion may have been motivated by a sense of good feeling or patriotism, but it is a pity to get a good example in the government which is not being followed by the people.

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The Herald's Straw Vote

The Sanford Herald's straw vote is over and the final report published in last night's paper brings out some interesting facts which we hope have not escaped the attention of our readers.

The most amazing thing about the entire contest was the rather surprising strength shown by Bill Howey. He received greater individual support than any other candidate in the race, and though Hardee tied him in the first count, and passed him in the second, the ex-governor could not hold the lead, and in the third, fourth, and fifth counts Howey enjoyed a comfortable margin.

The contest further substantiates the theory that as far as the Democratic primary is concerned the race will be largely between Hardee and Martin. This has been the opinion of the press and many of the state's most reliable political observers from the very first.

Among the Democratic candidates Hardee received 241 votes, Martin 163, Sholtz 124, and Caldwell 71. But in this connection it is well to remember that neither Hardee or Martin have yet begun their campaigns in this county. Sholtz was here and made a public address the week before our poll began and Caldwell arrived right in the middle of it. Naturally on this account they received many votes which might otherwise have been deflected to Hardee or Martin.

The superior strength of Howey, we believe, emphasizes very strongly the absolute necessity of the Democrats selecting and uniting solidly upon their best available candidate. Any other course, the poll would indicate, precludes the possibility of Democratic success, and practically assures a Republican administration at Tallahassee, however absurd and preposterous such an eventuality may have appeared in the past.

Of no less significance, it seems to us, as we are aware of the no less significant campaign had been made in this section in his behalf. We would have been no more surprised had his enormous total been piled up for Baker, Ritchie, or in fact any of the other candidates. Seminole County Democrats simply turned to Roosevelt unthinkingly and simultaneously of their own free will and accord.

It is still a long way to election day and minds may change a thousand times before the June primary or the November election, but today, as far as this county is concerned, it looks like Hardee will be the next governor, and Roosevelt president of the United States.

Risky Independence

The election of Eamon de Valera as president of the Irish Free State upon a platform of abolition of the oath to the King and against payments of land annuities has brought before the world the sudden realization that the Emerald Isle may soon be outside the pale of British dominion.

Proverbially known for their hot temper and their proclivities for using their fists, the Irish have apparently made up their mind to cut loose from John Bull and are ready to fight if necessary. What course, if any, England will take to prevent this is problematical, but it is becoming more obvious as the situation is studied that the ultimate loss will be to England rather than to Ireland, if the latter gains its objective of complete independence.

England is no longer a free trade country, and all goods imported from other lands, except the dominions, must pay duties. All of the imports to England from Ireland would suffer if she assumed the status of a foreign country. Further complications detrimental to Ireland would result from the fact that many Irishmen occupy posts with the British government, either in the army or navy or in state and departmental capacities. These employees would have to choose between becoming Britishers or giving up their jobs.

Whether or not Ireland realizes that, being an island, it is in a pretty precarious position without the protection of a navy, is not evident, but one thing is certain that freedom today must be accompanied by force, and if Ireland doesn't believe this she might ask Manchuria. The time may come when the Irish Free State will be glad to have His Majesty's fleet warding off an invading enemy and keeping the food lanes open.

SANFORD, TWENTY YEARS AGO

Volusia county is taxing automobiles and in this way quite a large sum is going into the treasury for the upkeep of good roads.

The work of dredging the upper St. Johns is rapidly progressing and a channel giving a depth of seven feet is now open to Lake Harney, 25 miles south of Sanford. The Eau Gallie Record says the St. Johns is now open for the navigation of small craft for a distance of 200 miles south of Sanford, and is one of the most interesting and picturesque cruises in the world.

The Irish home rule bill, the thing effort made by Liberal governments of the United Kingdom in a quarter of a century to settle the quarrel between Great Britain and Ireland, was introduced in the House of Commons this week by Premier Amquith.

Miss Harriet Annie Lang and Mr. Marshall Edwin Norman were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Willie Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock by the Rev. C. H. Summers, of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Norman left on the midnight train for Virginia where they will make an extended visit on their return to Florida.

Dr. Oliver J. Miller has located a cabin in Sanford, and will be associated with Dr. H. G. W. Howard in the H. G. W. Dispensary. Dr. Miller is no stranger in Sanford, having spent his boyhood days here. For the past several years he has been a surgeon in the U. S. Navy.

Miss George A. DeCoster has just returned from the institution at North Carolina where she has spent several months for the benefit of her health.

Will Watson obtained among

it appears to us even more significant that the City's tax collections for the current fiscal year now amount to only about 80 percent of the current tax roll, while the percentage of tax collections for the County exceeds the percentage of tax collections for the same period of last year by about six percent.

"We are forced to conclude from the foregoing facts that the collection of City taxes has not yet attained the degree of effectiveness which is necessary to support any constructive program. It must be evident to everyone that the existing ratio of tax collections presents very serious problems both to the City and the bondholders. Unless this ratio is materially improved, the City cannot continue to provide the necessary police, fire, and sanitary protection, or the other services which it is expected to furnish to its citizens. It is unnecessary to point out to the Commission that substantially all of the cash the City now has on hand represents money due to the bondholders under the existing arrangements.

"We suggest for your consideration that further discussion of any future program be deferred until after appropriate measures for collection of 1931 taxes have been taken. The results of such measures cannot be known until after your tax sale.

"The bondholders' committee would be pleased to try to reach a mutually satisfactory agreement with the City officials for debt service during the next fiscal year, or perhaps during a period of years. Nevertheless, it seems entirely clear that we are not in a position at this time to formulate or discuss any program until the attitude of the taxpayers of Sanford has been disclosed by the tax enforcement methods available."

At a meeting of the Commission last night, Mr. Kerfe's letter was given wide discussion, with all of the Commissioners agreed that his reference to the difference between City and county tax collections was dependent upon so many angles which the committee seemed to overlook, that it was not a fair matter of argument as to the City's ability to collect taxes from its taxpayers.

Commissioner W. A. Jelfler asked that City Attorney Fred R. Wilson, in answering Mr. Kerfe's two letters, insert "We are disappointed in the so-called leadership of the committee, for they aren't leading us anywhere. No one has confidence in the progress of the plan we are now working under. We are getting nowhere, with interest piling up year after

year and no assurance that our taxpayers can expect relief of any kind. There is no incentive to pay taxes, and until an incentive is offered, future tax collections will dwindle to nothingness. Personally, I feel that the Commission has lived up to every item of the two year agreement made with the Committee and that we should now take the lead in seeing that a definite plan is effected, and a once."

Mayor Dumas instructed Mr. Wilson to answer the letters at once, and that the Committee's reference to the City and county tax collections be once more carefully explained in detail.

Republicans chose 110 delegates this week, bringing the total picked to 402. President Hoover has 270 of the 292 named to date. Those up for selection this week are Illinois, 61; Nebraska, 17, and Florida, 16, all today; North Carolina, 7, Thursday, and Delaware, 9, Saturday.

CHICAGO, Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—Virtually ignoring national contests, Illinois Democrats and Republicans who have for weeks been engaged in bitter factional fights, will elect nominees today for major offices.

Candidates for congressmen and United States senator are to be nominated and delegates and alternates to the national party conventions named.

Two presidential aspirants are entered in the primary. Former Senator Joseph I. France, of Maryland, Republican, and James Hamilton Lewis, Democrat.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Apr. 12.—(A.P.)—It was generally assumed last night that the Democratic State Convention here today would elect Kentucky's 26 national convention delegates for Franklin D. Roosevelt, and chief interest centered in selection of the chairman of the state central executive committee.

It appears all hopeful trails lead down the river to Cincinnati's outfield. Hafey will join an ex-teammate, Taylor Douthitt, fleet centerfielder, who used to worry the Cardinal front-office, and Babe Herman, recalcitrant Brooklyn slugger who figured in the year's biggest player swap last month.

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