

Suicide Is Route Followed By Most Of Big Swindlers

When Bubble Bursts Cheat Kings Are Unable to Take It

By JACK STINNETT
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(AP)—When the bubbles burst, the swindle kings can't take it.

When F. Donald Coster, president of McKesson and Robbins, stood before a bathroom mirror in his palatial Fairfield, Conn., home and ended his amazing life of crime with a .38-caliber pistol, he became the fourth great swindler to take "the easiest way out" in the last seven years. A fifth jumped bail and fled but was captured before his ship cleared port.

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Sketching A Saga Of Swindle



A career of swindling that almost put Ponzi to jail began when a boy was born to the Italian immigrants Antonio and Vincita Musica in 1884. He was named Philip.

The boy grew up in New York's East Side slums. At 25 he was convicted of being customs official. The following year he was paroled from Elmira, N. Y., reformatory by President Taft.

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Again a year Philip Musica was rising high with plenty of money to drive high-coffered, darling along Broadway. It was those high-gated houses that brought Philip his money. He and his father formed a human hair company and sold their product as high as \$800 a pound. But profit weren't enough; there was tampering with bill of lading and drafts on the part of young Musica.

Coster's wealth pyramided, he was hailed as an executive genius. But last month Wall Street heard he was shaky. This month the company treasurer found an \$18,000,000 shortage in a department Coster ruled independently. Coster's fingerprints revealed him as Philip Musica. Musica-Coster drank through the night of Dec. 15, next day shot himself to death as federal officers came for him.

FAITH IN FLORIDA TO THE TUNE OF \$1,000,000!



MARINELAND, Fla.—Faith in Florida was forcibly emphasized in this novel community this week when ground was broken for an additional hundred thousand dollar building program. During the past year over one million dollars

have been expended, bulk of which has gone into the construction of Marine Studios, Florida's newest scientific institution, and world's only specially designed professional underwater motion picture studios.

and interests to the tune of \$3,500,000.

Tragedy Follows

Suicides, riots in which more than a score of persons were killed, and murders followed in wake of French pawnshop scandals. Kreuger's suicide shook several nations and the jokes to investors ran into nine figures.

All but Julian and Kreuger had been in trouble before. Coster-Musica was first sentenced in 1909 for bribery of customs officials; drew a suspended sentence later in connection with the "Human Hair Swindles," in which he defrauded eastern banks of nearly \$1,000,000 on false bills of lading for human hair imports.

Ponzi's first sentence was a brief term in Atlanta for smuggling aliens across the Canadian border in 1910. Stavisky had been in trouble ten years before the pawnshop scandals.

Others Served Time
In most instances kidnappers and associates of these master minds of finance have suffered legal penalties.

Several of Julian's employees pleaded guilty. Nine of Stavisky's associates were found guilty. Several directors of some of Kreuger's many com-

STATE MARKET REPORT

DAILY REPORT OF SALES OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AT THE SANFORD STATE FARMERS' WHOLESALE MARKET TO TRUCKERS, CARROT ASSEMBLERS AND OTHER DEALERS IN THE CITY OF SANFORD, FLA., ON DECEMBER 28, 1938.

CARROTS: (Green) Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via Copenhagen, bulk, per ton, home sales low as 15.00.

CHICORY: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via doz. box, 40c-50c.

CAULIFLOWERS: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via doz. box, 40c-50c.

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CHOCOLATE: (White) Supplies light, market dull. Fla. via box, 1.00-1.15.

CELERIAC: Fla. (white), mostly 2.00-2.25.

CELERIAC: (Yellow) Supplies light, market dull. Fla. via box, 2.50-3.00.

COLLARDS: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via doz. box, 40c-50c.

CORN: (Northern) CWT bags, 1.25.

CUCUMBERS: (White) Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via box, 1.00-1.15.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: (White) Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via box, 1.50-1.65.

EGGS: (White) Supplies light, demand moderate, market steady. Fla. Giant Striped & Threadgreen, various sizes. 1.25-1.50. White, 1.25-1.50. Waxy. No supplies.

BEETS: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. per doz. box, no quality stated.

BROCCOLI: Fla. scarce, per lb. 50c-75c.

AVOCADOS: Fla. (white), 2.00-2.25.

SWANS: (Crown) Supplies light, demand moderate, market steady. Fla. Giant Striped & Threadgreen, various sizes. 1.25-1.50. Waxy. No supplies.

BEANS: (Climax) No supplies.

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BROCCOLI: Fla. scarce, per lb. 50c-75c.

PEANUTS: Georgia, paper shell, various varieties, 14-16c.

PEPPERS: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via Waukechon, bulk, cts. 225-250; box, 1.75-2.00.

POT BEANS:

CAULIFLOWERS: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via box, 2.00-2.25. Poorer acc. both grades, lower.

ONIONS: (Green) Green Mountain, Connecticut, 1.50-2.00.

PINEAPPLES: Cuban, Fla. cts. 25c.

RAISINES: Fla. per doz. bun, 55-60c.

RHUBARB: Fla. 1 1/2 bush. acre, slow. 2.50-3.25.

SPINACH: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. via basket, Bloomfield, 30c-190c. New Zealand, 10-15c.

ROSES: (White) Fla. bush, 40c-50c.

TURNIPS: Supplies light, demand light, market dull. Fla. purple tops, 2.00-2.25. Lungs, 65c & larger.

QUAKES IN MONTANA

HELENA, Mont. —(AP)—A three-second earthquake was felt here at 3:53 P. M. yesterday. The federal weather bureau reported it was felt throughout the city and as far as the smaller town of East Helena, six miles away. No damage was reported.



SPAM Product at Lowest Price Ever Sold — BUY A DOZEN

Can 25¢

Pancake Flour FROM A GRAND OLD SOUTHERN RECIPE (SYRUP Per Bottle 10¢) PKG. 24-OZ. 5¢

10 lb. Cotton Bag 42¢

SUGAR FLORIDA CRYSTALS 5 Lbs. Paper, 21c—Or In Sanitary Cotton Bag

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Perfect Biscuit Plain or Self-Rising

5 LBS., 17¢; 10 LBS., 29¢

Lb. 21c 3 Lbs. 19c 6 Lbs. 97c

B. E. PEAS 3 lbs. 13¢

MEAL or GRITS 4 pounds 7¢ RICE 4 Lbs. 13¢

CRACKERS Economy Sodas Grahams or OYSTERETTES 1-LB. BOX 10¢

COFFEE ARGO, LB. 19¢; DEL MONTE, LB. 23¢ SUNSHINE MELLOW BEND 2 Lbs. 25¢

Bargains In Table Supply Markets!

IOD LUCK FANCY DRESSED TENNESSEE TURKEYS LB. 29¢ WHITE BACON LB. 13½¢

BEEF U. S. Good CHUCK ROAST STEAKS, ROUND, CLUB OR SIRLOIN LB. 35¢

Economy BRANDED CHUCK ROAST LB. 15¢

BRANDED STEAKS, LOIN CUTS LB. 19¢

HAMS lb. 19c SIDES lb. 13c

SHOULDER lb. 15c SAUSAGE lb. 19c

100% PURE PUPPED TENNESSEE CHICKENS 1/2 LB. 17¢ TWO BIRDS, 31.5¢

HALTIMORE STANDARD OYSTERS Pt. 21c Qt. 38¢

MORSELLI'S SUGAR CURED SLICED BACON in cello lb. 22¢

ALL 10¢ ASST. Campbell Soups . . . 3 for 25¢

PURITAN-1 LB. 12 OZ. POT BEANS dot 19c

PEAS Argo med. can 10c VINEGAR Bulk gal. 25c KEROSENE 5 gal. 43c

SOUTHLAND Peanut Butter 14-oz. 22c

PEANUT BUTTER 22-oz. 22c

ARMOUR STAR CHILI CON CARNE OR Assorted Spreads, 2 cans 19c

ARMOUR'S STAR 2-OZ. DRIED BEEF OR Vienna Sausage 2 for 19c

Phillips Soups 3 cans 13c (EXCEPT CHICKEN)

DEL MONTE TUNA FISH, Flat can, 15c

DEL MONTE Fruit Cocktail, 2 tall cans 25c

EGG-SHIPPED ALABAMA "B" MED. 35¢

PRUNES GIANT, 2 lbs. 12c SMALL, 2 lbs. 10c

BLACK FIGS 2 lbs. 19c

DRIED PEACHES 2 lbs. 25

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Two Indicted For \$50,000 Railway Deal

Jurors Accuse Socially Prominent New Yorkers Of Mail Fraud Conspiracy

Coster's Yacht Log Is Checked

Fourth Suspect Is Accused Of Blackmailing McKesson Head

NEW YORK. Dec. 30.—(UPI)—A federal grand jury today indicted William P. Buckner, Jr., 31, socially prominent New Yorker, and William J. Gillespie, 37, for conspiracy to commit a mail fraud in connection with the alleged Philippine Railway bond fraud.

Assistant U. S. Attorney William P. Maloney estimated the defendants obtained more than \$10,000.

Meanwhile federal agents in New York checked the log and guest book of F. Donald Coster-Musica's luxurious yacht, *Caro-Mia*, today and listed the names of those who were entertained by the masquerading president of McKesson and Robbins, Inc. Gregory F. Noonan, acting U. S. attorney, said the agents, working under his direction, had seized the books in search of further information about the former convict who committed suicide when his past was exposed.

No names were made public. Noonan said it was his understanding that Coster-Musica had "deteriorated into a gambler in financial as well as political circles."

The government also announced the arrest of Michael Petrola, 40, fourth suspect accused of having systematically blackmailed the late F. Donald Coster-Musica. (Continued on Page Two)

Pleas Of Guilt Are Heard By Judge Ware

Several guilty pleas have been heard by County Judge R. W. Ware, records at the Court House showed today.

Jones Kindred pleaded guilty to charges of assault and battery and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and costs or serve 90 days in jail. Rudlin Wonten also pleaded guilty to assault and battery charges and was given a similar sentence.

Buster Ward pleaded guilty to charges of intoxication and was given the alternative of a fine of \$10 and costs or 90 days in jail. The cases of Herman Roberts, 16, and Ernest White, 11, charged with petit larceny, were referred to Juvenile Court. Alie Black, charged with intoxication, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and costs or serve 90 days after pleading guilty to the charge. W. G. Bugge pleaded guilty to assault and battery charges and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and costs or serve 90 days.

Citrus Growers Will Hold Important Meet

An important meeting for Seminole County citrus growers will be held in the Community House, Altamonte Springs, next Tuesday night at 8:00 o'clock, according to announcements sent out yesterday by County Agent C. R. Dawson.

In addition to an interesting program, Mr. Dawson stated that a presentation will be given on the selection of a new president for the Seminole County Citrus Growers, Inc.; a discussion of new members will be given; the proposed advertising agreement for

CLOSED MONDAY residents of Sanford, to be starting on Saturday, the Bushmen and Proletarian Association today will all close in Sanford, closed on Monday, the 31st, in commemoration of the 100th anniversary which will keep San

ford in a state of

quietude.

PIONEER'S NIGHT

The 13th annual "Pioneer's Night" will be held in the Lake Mary Chamber of Commerce building tonight at 7:30 o'clock, according to General Chairman Frank Evans. The program will be followed at 10:00 o'clock by a dance given by the Lake

Mary Club.

LOCAL ENTRY GIVEN HONORABLE MENTION

The three-jar entry of Mrs. G. L. File of Geneva in the state contest for members of Women's Home Demonstration Clubs received honorable mention. Mrs. Gladys Kendall said today, Mrs. File received a cash award.

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Many Deaths Reported As Colder Weather Is Forecast For Northeast Section

By Associated Press

Frozing weather prevailed today over most of the northern states, with mercury near or below zero in many spots.

Weather observers promised a rise in temperatures for much of the cold belt tomorrow but said there was no prospect of very mild weather.

The severe cold wave chilled Illinois, Indiana and Michigan today. A moderate cold wave rolled into Michigan and portions of New York.

More intense cold was forecast for the northeastern section of the nation tonight while at least 30 persons died of exposure during the week of frigid weather, and there were 28 traffic deaths, mostly attributed to blizzards, winds and slippery highways.

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ACME PHOTO

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CITY NEWS BRIEFS

OLD AGE AID FOR SEMINOLE TO TOTAL \$67,644 IN 1939

SURPLUS COMMODITIES VALUED AT \$37,353 TO GO FOR RELIEF

JACKSONVILLE. Dec. 30.—Seminole County will receive approximately \$67,644.00 during 1939 on the basis of October grants in Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind and Aid to Dependent Children, according to figures made public by the State Welfare Board, which administers these three assistance programs. The county will also receive during the new year surplus commodities and clothing made in WPA sewing rooms to the value of \$37,353, on the basis of November distribution.

A special meeting of the Sanford Badminton Club will be held in the City Hall Auditorium tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The weekly recreational dance, sponsored by the recreational committee and scheduled for tonight

is now suspended for this week because of the holiday activities.

SANFORDITES TO SEE ORANGE BOWL GAME

SAFETY WILL BE WELL REPRESENTED AT MIAMI MONDAY AS A LARGE NUMBER OF LOCAL FOOTBALL FOLLOWERS ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THE ORANGE BOWL GAME WHICH WILL BE PLAYED BETWEEN THE TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS OF KNOXVILLE, TENN., AND THE OKLAHOMA SOONERS OF NORMAN, O.KLA.

Among those planning to attend from Sanford are Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Perkins, Braxton Perkins, Stinson Kinlaw, J. C. Mitchell, Jesse Lodge, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holler, Don McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Lindy E. Boyle, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Callum, Charles Robinson, and James A. Wright.

Fire Drives Hotel Occupants Into Cold

NEW YORK. Dec. 30.—(UPI)—One man was fatally injured, several persons were carried to safety in spectacular rescues and more than 100 were driven into the cold in night dress when fire destroyed the bar and grill of the 7-story Hotel Lido at 68th Street and Columbus Avenue early today.

The fatally injured man was identified as Maxine Weiser, 65. He died from shock and smoke poisoning. Mrs. Lillian Bernstein also was rescued from the top floor and taken to a hospital suffering from smoke poisoning.

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Approximately one-third of those were out of town players, he said, adding that this is the largest number of visiting golfers to play the course in some time.

He also reported that work is progressing on the improvement of the remaining nine holes at the course and stated that the rye had been planted on the greens. Considerable work has been done on the "back nine" with City labor under the supervision of Parks Superintendent James L. Moughton. It will be some time before the other nine holes are in condition for play.

The following played the course one or more times during the holiday week, Mr. Fort reported:

Phil Grashoff, W. P. Burkman, H. P. Burkman, Jr., Roy Holler, Henry Watson, H. H. Coleman, E. B. Randall, S. D. Highleyman, Bob Axel, Howard Faville, C. C. Whittington, L. F. Boyle, G. K. Fullagar, Dr. D. G. Scott, J. L. Ingley, V. A. Everhard, Ben Cantwell, and E. Compton.

Also G. D. Workman, Roy Sykes, Jr., F. D. Scott, Fred Bolby, Fred Harrison, Staffy McEvoy, John Ludwig, John Herbst, Harry Flaming, Fred Bell, Billy Ball, R. R. Dean, A. H. Burkman,

and George Thurston.

Also P. D. Scott, Mrs. Roy Sykes, Mrs. W. E. Kirchhoff, Mrs. T. A. Archibald, Mrs. Fred Bell, Rebecca Stevens, Lillian Dunlap, Nancy White, Mrs. E. Compton, Helen Compton, Mrs. George Thurston, Frances Morgan, Mrs. R. F. Byrnes, Jr., Elizabeth Shoemaker, Betty Buhman, and Mrs. Robert Greenlee.

Out of town players: Robert P. Clark of Rochester, N. Y.; S. K. Glass of Orlando, Fla.; E. J. Scott of Chicago, Ill.; J. C. Hallcock of Orlando, Paul Bergen of Easton, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lynch of Jacksonville, Fla.; and Mrs. H. G. Tuggee of Danville, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hareem of Calif.; R. F. Wilson, of Orlando, J. N. Ayres of Tampa.

Also H. D. Morgan of Palatka, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Christensen of Wauna, Wis.; Grace Blackford of Harrisburg, Pa.; Trapp Griss of Winter Park, Fla.; Bryant of Winter Park, Willard Henry and Willard Henry, Jr., of Orlando; Thomas Martin of Charlottetown, W. Va.; and R. T. Wilkie of Pittsburgh, Pa.

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BIBLE VERSE FOR TODAY

TEST YOURSELF. But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. —Jude 20, 21.

EXPERIMENT

(From the London Spectator)
Some believe the summer
Of trees is in December
When timber's naked under sky
And squirrel keep his chamber.

But I believe their fibers
Awake to life and labor
When turbulence comes roaring
Up
The land in loud October,

And plunder woods and sunders
And sends the leaves to wander
And undulates prickly shapes
Beneath the golden splendor.

Form returns. In warmer,
Seductive days, disturbing
Its firmer will the wood grows
Its soft

**And spreads its dreams to mut-
ter**

Into earnest winter,
Like souls awaked. It enters;
The hunter Frost and the cold
light

Have quelled the green enchanter.

—C. S. LEWIS.

It was pretty cold in Sanford
recently, but it was pretty
warm compared with some of
the temperatures coming in over
the wires from up North.

More than a billion and a half
dollars is collected annually
from automobile users in high-
way taxes. However not all of
it by any means, is used for
highways.

Fatal accidents declined 10
percent this year in New York
City. In a congested area like
New York City, if accidents can
be reduced, certainly they could
elsewhere.

Time magazine selects Adolf
Hitler as 1938's "man of the year."
It is a sad commentary on the
state of world conditions when
the most important man in it is
one who preaches hate and prac-
tices harm.

An air fleet within the next
two or three years of some 15,-
000 planes is contemplated in the
latest plans for national defense,
according to reliable reports
emanating from Washington.
Since the Peace of Munich when
the mighty British Empire was
cowed solely by the superiority
of the German air fleet, it has
become increasingly evident to
leading Americans that only the
development of the strongest air
force on earth can prevent the
similar humiliation of the United
States sooner or later by some
foreign power. The United
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yesterday morning. Readings un-

der 30 below were taken elsewhere

in Minnesota and North Dakota.

Farther west, a sleet storm

changed to heavy rain near the in-

ternational boundary in Wash-
ington state after disrupting power

and telephone lines.

The Canadian Press at Van-

couver, B. C., reported a thaw of

heavy ice coating cut all Canadian

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south of Port Coquitlam and Mis-
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Convict Philip Mulca.

Mulca was described by fed-

eral agents as active "in a small

New Year Resolutions

Although the suspicion prevails that New Year resolutions are made to be broken, there is some virtue in starting a new year off right by firmly resolving to do better the things we have done badly during the previous twelve months and to instruct ourselves firmly not to do those things which we know we have no business doing.

This annual preparation of resolutions affords a sort of personal stock-taking period, during which we attempt to see ourselves as others see us, and to profit from their judgment. Just as it benefits a merchant occasionally to make an inventory of his shelves to see just what he has in stock, so does it benefit an individual to review his faults and short-comings and strive to eliminate them.

And so, as we enter the New Year, let us as loyal citizens of the nation resolve:

1.—To do our buying with local merchants whenever and wherever possible.

2.—To pay our debts before incurring any new obligations for things which might be classified as luxuries.

3.—To buy nothing during the coming year on credit unless we are sure we can pay for it.

4.—To avoid driving a car while under the influence of liquor and to use our influence to prevent others from doing so.

5.—To be as considerate in our criticisms of the shortcomings of others as we would want them to be of our own weaknesses.

6.—To work as hard as we can at our job during our working hours and to try to leave our business worries in the lap of the gods after the day is over.

7.—To contribute in some way to every worthwhile charity enterprise and community endeavor to the end that we may have at least a small part in the welfare of our city, its growth and prosperity.

8.—To be less exacting in our demands upon other members of our family, whether in respect to family income, or domestic problems.

9.—To try to do our part in restoring the moral character of a sadly demoralized world by strengthening our own character.

10.—To be a better citizen, a better father, a better mother, a better workman, or a better boss, throughout 1939 than we have been during 1938.

Tropical Sickness

Good publicity for Florida is found in the New York Herald Tribune under the caption, "The Florida Blues." This editorial tells how the northerner feels when ice and snow begin to spread over the neighboring landscape and visions of tropical waters, sunny beaches, and fishing poles afflict him. The Herald Tribune encourages the thought that the only way to dispell the Florida blues is to visit Florida.

"The tropics and subtropics were once perilous places for the Northern visitor," the New York paper says. "Many of them came away with fevers in their blood; fevers that would break out again in the heat of Northern summer. Modern hygiene has completely abolished all that so far as the South within our boundaries is concerned. But there is one disease endemic to the South that still baffles science—the Florida blues.

"When the last leaf has been long fallen and the soggyness of early winter comes to the North, this dread disease begins to reappear. Symptoms are chiefly in mild hallucinations, mostly visual. The commuter, or other immured Northerner, suddenly sees reflected in the car or office window something that is certainly not there: the blue water of some central Florida lake surrounded by orange groves; or perhaps it is a bridge parapet bristling with fishing poles among the Keys; or the sands of Miami, Daytona or St. Petersburg, stippled with all the colors of the rainbow in the bunch garb of bathing beauties.

"If the disease progresses the patient hears amid city traffic red birds calling and mocking birds, mocking and to smell magnolia, orange blossoms and the smoke of fat pine. At this point, psychiatrists say, there is only one cure: give in to the ravages of the disease wholeheartedly; step into the plane, the bus, the car, the special bound south and match these hallucinations with reality in the Florida peninsula. Hundreds of thousands of sufferers from the Florida blues every winter find relief this way, and this way only."

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In Grip Of
Intense Cold

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way" in local politics. They said, too, that he had succeeded Coster-Musica, the indicted head of the \$87,000,000 drug firm of McKeown and Robbins as a partner of Brandino in a small drug company formerly doing business in Brooklyn.

Brandino; his sister, Mary, and Walter H. Cragg, a disbarred lawyer, are held in jail on federal extortion complaints which provide maximum punishment of 20 years imprisonment. The exact nature of the charges to be brought against Petrella was not immediately disclosed.

Meanwhile, Acting United States Attorney Noonan and his assistants outlined a broad investigation of the \$18,000,000 overstatement of McKeown and Robbins assets laid to Coster-Musica, of methods of accounting and of related matters which they will ask a special federal grand jury, meeting next Tuesday, to undertake.

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THE 76TH CONGRESS**MARKET TOWN NEWS**

Dog Track Operations Are Now Speeded Up To Normal

LONGWOOD, Dec. 30.—Operations at the mutuel plant at the Sanford-Orlando kennel club here are speeded up to a normal pace now, and the crowd of patrons who played 10 great races last night were able to collect quinela bets and get home in bed before midnight.

My Valentine, Jr., winner of the inaugural handicap on opening night over the long 5 1/8ths of a mile course, comes back to night for the first time in fast futurity field.

Although the Gus Males greyhound will be the favorite he will have plenty of trouble for Denny Gog, Donna Lue, Dirty Omen, Big Ick, Sibilla, Gay Hop and Myles Swift will supply the opposition.

Acquitted won her second consecutive victory of the season last night with a scorching finish that nipped Gay Daze at the wire in the feature event.

FIRST—1 1/8 miles, time, 20.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Doggie—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Bandy Anews—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Verna's Babe—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Denny, 5-10, 10-10, 10-0; Sandy

Drew, 4-10, 10-0; Verna's Babe, 3-9.

SECOND—Futurity, time, 20.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Sand Baby—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Big Huny—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Black Gabby—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Sand Baby, 10-20, 3-20, 2-20;

Side Harmony, 2-20, 2-20; Black

Gable, 3-10.

THIRD—5 1/8 miles, time, 32.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Shoe Sh'e Boy—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Wanda Lassie—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Shoe Rhine Boy, 7-20, 3-20, 2-20;

Fearless Sam, 5-10, 5-10; Wanda

Lassie, 5-10.

FOURTH—Futurity, time, 32 1/2.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Erecton Strata—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Martha Jones—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Blue Ation—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Preston Sahara—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Martha Jones, 5-10, 5-10, 5-10.

FIFTH—Futurity, time, 30 4-5.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Golden Pinto—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Black Legion—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Irish Beginning—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Golden Pinto, 7-20, 5-20, Black Leg-

ion, 8-20.

SIXTH RACE—5 1/8 miles, time,

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Count Me—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Miss Phillips—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

King King—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Leah's Gold—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Leah's Gold, 5-10, 5-10, Miss Phillips, 8-10.

SEVENTH FUTURITY, time, 30.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

King King—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Irish Trotter—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Captain Stock—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Kansas Trotter—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Trot Turf—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Captain Stock, 7-20, 5-20, Captain Stock, 8-20.

EIGHTH—5 1/8 miles, time, 32 1/5.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Acquisition—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

King Boddy—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Acquisition, 14-10, 4-10, 6-10.

King Boddy, 7-20, 5-20, King Boddy, 8-20.

NINTH—Futurity, time, 30 2-5.

Dog—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Songs—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Irish P—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Friend Friend—P.P. Off Str. Fin.

Friend Friend, 7-20, 14-10, 14-10.

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Pioneer Night Draws Crowd To Lake Mary

22 States, 6 Foreign Nations Represented By 78 Pioneers Who Attend Meeting

Novel Program Is Presented

Prominent Speakers Pay High Tribute To Sturdy Pioneers

Pioneers gathered from all over Seminole County last night at the Lake Mary Chamber of Commerce for the thirteenth annual "Pioneer Night" which included addresses of welcome and tributes to the pioneers by notable speakers and was followed by a dance given by the girls of Lake Mary.

There were 78 pioneers past 60 years of age who attended the entertainment, representing six foreign countries and 22 states of the United States. For the first time since the "Pioneers Nights" have been held, Florida carried off the honors for having the largest number of representatives present. There were 15 from this state.

A quartette composed of County Commissioners O. J. Pope, W. B. Ballard, W. G. Kilke, and Representative John Leonard, brought down the house with their interpretation of "Sweet Adeline," while Ed Lane, impersonating a negro preacher, and assisted by Mrs. Ella Karcher and John D. Evans in a wedding ceremony, also drew enthusiastic applause.

An outstanding feature of the program was the introduction of Mrs. Jane Hilliard who claims to be the oldest pioneer in the country and her youngest son who is 77. Mrs. Hilliard boasts a career of 108 years. She attributed her longevity to the fact that she has always eaten whenever she got hungry, but never ate too much. She has never smoked nor drunk liquor, and she sleeps about 12 hours every night.

Young Mr. Hilliard admitted that he is not quite as robust as his mother but attributed the fact to fishing in cold water. He said he had not only drunk liquor, but he had made it, and didn't believe it had ever done him any harm. He added, however, he had been arrested five times.

Frank Evans acted as master of ceremonies, introduced the speakers and other numbers on the program and extended a special welcome to the pioneers present. He also received the warm thanks of the various speakers who thanked him for making the entertainment possible and for his interest in the welfare of the county.

Prominent speakers on the program, who paid tribute to the pioneers and vied with each other for honors as pioneers themselves, were: James G. Sharon, Joe D. Jenkins, Herbert Messer, Oberon Herndon, Jessie Parrish, T. W. Lawton, B. P. Wheeler, H. J. Lehman, G. W. Spencer, Fred R. Wilson and Judge Ware.

Short talks were also made by O. J. Pope, W. B. Ballard, W. G. Kilke, John Leonard, E. E. Brady and Ben Hayes, president of Seminole County Chamber of Commerce.

Others introduced to the pioneers included Sanford Doudney, Walter L. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Roland L. Dorn.

The rest of the program was as follows:

Fred Fields, 12 year old, Randy boy—piano solo.

Mrs. Burdick accompanied the Burdick sisters on their xylophones, her two daughters, Marjorie Jane and Rose Mary of Sanford.

Golden Evans from Tampa—solo, accompanied by Ruth Anderson.

Misses Robert True, captain of the Lake Mary Girl Scouts presented her girls, in evening gowns, who sang "Silver Threads Among the Gold." The following girls participated: Charlotte Land, Frances Childs, Ruth Smith, Ruth Anderson, Alice Whitaker, Doris Schill, Frances Thompson, (Continued on Page Two)



A REFUGEE'S NEW YEAR

A. W. Barkley Re-elected By Senate Demos

Kentucky Senator Is Given Unanimous Vote For Majority Leader At Caucus

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Senate Democrats unanimously re-elected Senator Barkley (D-Ky.) as majority leader at a conference meeting today.

There were 43 votes cast; only 20 minutes there were general expressions of friendliness and good will among the caucus who have differed widely in legislative issues in the past.

Barkley was re-elected in a nomination of Senator Hartman (D-Nev.). Senator Harrison (D-Mo.) served as temporary chairman of the caucus. It was Harrison whom Barkley defeated in leadership by a single vote last year.

The caucus unanimously re-elected Senator Lewis (D-His.) as party whip and Senator Moulton (D-Ind.) as assistant whip.

Senator Lee (D-Tenn.) was designated secretary of the Democratic conference, a post which he has vacant since Hugo Black resigned from the Senate to become associate justice of the Supreme Court.

Vice President Garner stepped out as a leading, if not dominant, figure of the coming congress, started what looked like a high-powered drive to swing the New Deal to the right.

Four days before the opening of the session, his cautious attitude in the senate office building was the center of all congressional activity, the scene of continuing conferences dealing with the moment's lively subjects of big business.

And the word went around that "Carte Blanche" was urging, among other things, that the brakes be applied to government expenditures and that local communities be given more control over spending of relief funds.

Just around the corner from Garner's suite, the office of Senator Barkley, the Democratic leader, was buried in callers. Barkley warmly worked away at a revision of the central Democratic committee assignment, trying to evolve a list that would suit the conflicting ambitions of all the senators of his party.

Garnier, in whose behalf an influential Texas group recently started a presidential boom, was in high spirits. Many a resounding vice presidential laugh could be heard in adjoining rooms as he received the following callers:

Secretary Wallace, whose crop control bill of last year has had rough sledding, due to the year's unusual yields of wheat and corn and the refusal of tobacco and rice farmers to accept marketing quotas proposed by his department.

In announcing the resignation earlier this month, the Chief Executive said merely that it would come effective in January.

The White House did not disclose who would succeed Cummings. The name of Frank Murphy, the retiring governor of Michigan, has been named among those most frequently mentioned. Judge Searl granted the injunction restraining the Journal from terminating the contract.

Circuit Judge Resignation Of Rules Against Homer Cummings Wage, Hour Law Effective Monday

Restrains Paper From Retiring Michigan Governor Mentioned As Successor

ITHACA, N.Y., Dec. 31.—(UPI)—Circuit Judge Kelly S. Searl today that if newspaper boys buy the newspapers he distributes and pays for them under a contract is an "independent contractor" and, therefore, not subject to the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

His ruling was in a suit on behalf of Mac Myers, 13, who delivers copies of the Lansing State Journal in Ithaca.

The boy's contract was terminated by the State Journal with the intention of abiding by the child labor provisions of the federal act.

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Scout Review Board Will Meet On Jan. 9

The regular board of review for Seminole County Boy Scouts will be held in the Junior High School auditorium Monday night Jan. 9 at 7:30 o'clock. The review was regularly scheduled for next Monday night but because of the holidays the date was postponed one week.

It was pointed out that all Scouts who plan to seek advancement or merit badges at the court of honor the following week must be present for the review.

FREE ART LESSONS

Free art lessons will be given at the P.W.A. Art Classes, which will begin Jan. 3, 1939, at the Sanford Grammar School, Myrtle Avenue and Seventh Street. Mrs. E. A. Berner, teacher, will be present for the enrollment. All those interested are urged to come and bring materials.

RESULTS OF UNUSUAL WEATHER IN CALIFORNIA



Roosevelt Highway at the mouth of Peanut Canyon, near Los Angeles, after a cloud burst that recently fire swept Santa Monitomountain.

Monday Will Be Observed Newly Finished House Is Open For Inspection

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Modern Home Is Offered For Sale Under Terms Of FHA

The first house of several units which Riddle and Putnam of Orlando plan to build in Sanford has been completed at Oak Avenue and Twentieth Street and will be open all day Sunday and Monday to inspection by the public.

The Sanford Herald will be a place Monday as a holiday, and in accordance with past custom, no paper will be published on that day.

The home has been constructed to meet the standards of the Federal Housing Administration and has passed the strict inspection of the F.H.A.

Miller O'Phelps, sales manager of the company who will be in charge during the two-day public inspection, stated that the best of materials were used in building the house and that all of the materials with the exception of tiles were purchased in Sanford.

The building is said to be termite proof, it has a fireproof asbestos shingle roof which is guaranteed for 10 years and is constructed so as to withstand high winds.

The house also has a new type fireplace in the living room, is completely insulated and has a hot water heater in the kitchen.

It has oak flooring throughout and has 15 base plugs for electricity to meet the requirements of the modern housewife.

Carl Moes, who is connected with the Florida Power and Light Company will be removed today from the local hospital where he has been undergoing treatment for a small fracture of the skull sustained in an accident earlier in the week.

There will be an important meeting of the Executive and Finance Committee of the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce in the Chamber Building Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. Chamber officials announced today, and requested all members of the committee to be present for the session.

Mayor LaGuardia of New York, here to see that his city gets substantial recognition when relief funds are apportioned.

And Representative Rayburn, the Democratic leader in the house.

"It looks," said one veteran observer of congressional affairs, "as though Jack's the man to see this year."

Ickes Will Attack Dies In Address

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(UPI)—Secretary Ickes announced yesterday he would make a speech Jan. 8 entitled "Playing with loaded Dies."

It will be another attack on Representative Dies, Democrat of Texas, chairman of the house committee on un-Americanism. Dies has charged Ickes with furthering radical activities, and Ickes has accused the congressman of conducting a biased inquiry.

The reorganization of the Board of County Commissioners will take place at the first meeting of the year in the Court House Tuesday morning beginning at 10:00 o'clock. The two recently elected Commissioners,

(Continued on Page Six)

U.S. Rejects Japan's New Order In China

Stern Note Is Direct Challenge To Nipponese Effort For Chinese Hegemony

Closed Door Will Not Be Tolerated

Assent Will Not Be Given To Impairment Of U.S. Rights

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(UPI)—Bluntly rejecting Japan's "new order" program in the Far East, the United States told the Nipponese government today it reserved all American rights in China.

The note, delivered to the Japanese Foreign Office by Ambassador Joseph C. Grew, stated in plain but friendly terms that the United States "does not admit" any "need or warrant for the power" Japan to "constitute itself the repository of authority and the agent of destiny" in areas not under its sovereignty.

This government announced simultaneously that it was prepared to enter into negotiations for changing the treaties affecting China. But it added emphatically it would not tolerate Japan's effort to supersede the principles of equal opportunity and the open door which have long been maintained in China.

"This government reserves all rights of the United States as they exist and does not give assent to the impairment of any of these rights," the note said.

It was in reply to Japan's note of Nov. 18 announcing the "new order" program for eastern Asia which Japan said was the key to one's enduring peace and stability in eastern Asia.

The step today constituted the first direct and complete challenge to Japan's efforts to establish her hegemony throughout China by means of a "new order" program.

The year of 1938 came today to a conclusion amid a crescendo of verbal and actual conflict among nations in keeping with the troubled and tragic road it had travelled.

The United States and Japan, the United States and Germany, France and Italy exchanged strong words and looked to more difficult relations in 1939. The war in Spain and China raged on.

The American government delivered in Tokyo a note telling Japan it could not recognize the "new order" founded on the Japanese conquests in China which would abrogate the principle of the "open door" there.

German newspapers lauded at the United States in an extension of the controversy arising from Secretary Ickes' speech against dictators. Chancellor Hitler himself pointed out to Nazism its "goal of destiny" for 1939 and declared the army must become even more powerful.

He also made known plans for greatly increasing the German submarine fleet, putting fresh strain on relations with Great Britain.

France continued military preparations against any possibility that Italy's claim for French territory in the Mediterranean-African zone might develop into action. With the wings of the Catalonian offensive stalled, insurgent Generalissimo Franco concentrated his blows against the center of the Spanish government's lines, striking against the vital communications between government territory and France.

Great Britain took urgent steps to prevent Nazi Germany from carrying out formally announced plans to build a submarine fleet equal to Britain's and far more powerful than the (Continued on Page Three)

LOCAL WEATHER

Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Sunday, scattered light rains this afternoon and tonight; slightly warmer in extreme north portion Sunday.