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## SESSION MAY BE ADJOURNED ON WEDNESDAY

House Completes Action by  
Passing Job Insurance,  
Health Measures.

### HEAVY VOTES PILED UP

Closing Date Is Indicated  
by 4-Day Fund  
Extension.

The special session of the General Assembly considering social security legislation is to be adjourned sine die Wednesday, it was indicated today by the Senate-House conference committee's action in boosting the appropriation bill to \$45,630.

Originally, the appropriation for conducting the special session was \$35,000. The measure also contains a \$15,500 rider for election expense. The difference in the jump from \$35,000 to \$45,630 represents funds necessary to pay for four additional days of session.

The House of Representatives passed the unemployment insurance and public health bills, thus completing its action on all phases of the social security program for which the special session was called.

#### Final Action Awaited

There remains now only concurrence in such changes as may be made in the security measures by the Senate, although both houses must act finally on the bill appropriating session expenses.

As the House recessed to 10 tomorrow morning, Speaker Edward H. Stein informed the members: "You're all through and I thank you for the speed with which you have conducted your business."

Referring to the delay, he added: "It is not your fault that we have to stay here through the first of next week."

Meanwhile, the slowly moving Senate, its members fearful of being termed "Gov. McNutt's rubber stamps," proceeded with its first official consideration of the controversial public welfare bill.

Its work was hampered somewhat by the necessity of clarifying much of the bill's phraseology and correcting typographical errors.

#### Discussion Is Indicated

First indication of discussion came when Senator Claude McBride (D., Jeffersonville) offered an amendment to strengthen the bill so there would be no possibility of constructing one of its provisions to permit the welfare department to take over township poor relief.

Senator William D. Hardy (D., Evansville), a member of the joint social security committee and subcommittee chairman, said Senator McBride's amendment merely would encumber the bill's definitions.

"There is no intention to usurp the township trustees' poor relief functions and the bill expressly guards against it," said Senator Hardy.

Senator McBride insisted the clarification wouldn't hurt. Senator Hardy retorted with the suggestion (Turn to Page Three)

## EVICTED SCIENTIST DIES AT 74 AS STATE WARD

Dr. Albert Brundage Gave His  
Money to Aid Science.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Dr. Albert Harrison Brundage, 74-year-old toxicologist and public health authority, died yesterday in Central Islip State Hospital less than two months after he was evicted from his home.

Dr. Brundage, well-known educator, was forced from his home at Woodhaven, N. Y., Jan. 29, when a mortgage was foreclosed. He refused to sell his fine collection of thousands of medical books to forestall foreclosure.

He had been in poor health several years. His financial difficulties, according to friends, were the result of devotion to science.

## CRITICS OF ROOSEVELT FLAYED BY ROBINSON

G. O. P. Has Only "Pollyanna Theory," Senate Leader Says.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Senator Joseph T. Robinson (D., Ark.), Senate majority leader, charged Administration critics last night with "building up a case" which they hope the American people "will mistake for a program."

In a radio address Senator Robinson charged "the only thing offered by the Republican Party is a return to the Pollyanna theory of economic reform. You good people are very well acquainted with the Pollyanna theory, because it cost you dearly under the last Republican Administration."

## ADDITIONAL BARRETT GUARD IS APPROVED

One More Night Man Is to Watch  
Condemned Murderer.

Chief Deputy Marshal Julius J. Wischer today received authorization from the Attorney General's office in Washington to employ an additional night guard to watch George W. Barrett, condemned murderer, in the Marion County Jail.

Mr. Wischer asked for two additional guards after Barrett threatened to end his life and kill his regular guards. Barrett is scheduled to die on the gallows a week from Tuesday for the murder of Federal Agent Nelson Klein.

## Bull Headed

Today is Friday the thirteenth and that hadn't slipped the minds of Henry Turner, 21, and Robert Graves, 31, Negroes, when they started out this morning.

But they went anyway and pretty soon the cops started chasing their truck which had no license plates, and which is said to have contained three gallons of alleged contraband alcohol.

After a long chase they were caught.

Then, police reported, Graves turned to Turner and said with an air of resignation, tinged with bitterness:

"I told you we shouldn't deliver alcohol on Friday the thirteenth. Two years ago we were caught on this jinx day and sent to Pendleton. You're just bull headed."

## JUDGE SCORES CITY OFFICIALS

Williams Attacks Them for  
Alleged Indifference to  
Local Gambling.

The alleged indifference of police and public officials to pool-ticket gambling and church bingo parties were attacked today by Superior Judge Joseph R. Williams.

Judge Williams said he was "shocked" at evidence offered in the appeal trial of former Patrolman William F. Gillespie, who was discharged by the Safety Board in March, 1934.

The judge upheld the Safety Board, but said he was not impressed with evidence that Gillespie accepted protection money from Northwestern tavern and pool room operators.

#### Condemns Gillespie

"I condemn Gillespie for not making more arrests. He was not any worse than any of the other policemen, because there should have been thousands of arrests," Judge Williams said.

"We are becoming a nation of gamblers. They even gamble at churches with their bingo parties. The tragedy of gambling is that it takes money from the poor."

Evidence was offered that William F. Gillespie, who charged he had paid Gillespie protection money, paid \$1500 to the state gross income tax department in 1935 as his 25 per cent commission on pool ticket revenues.

#### Did His Duty, Lawyer Says

Paul Rochford, defense attorney, in his closing statement said, "This is the first time I ever heard of a man discharged for doing his duty."

Testimony showed that several persons who testified before the Safety Board against Gillespie had been arrested by him on charges of possessing pool tickets.

Rochford charged that Gillespie was discharged because he was interfering with a profitable pool ticket business.

## POLITICS, ROOSEVELT REPLY IN WPA FIGHT

Relief Program Looms as  
Major 1936 Issue.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—President Roosevelt said today that politics is the answer to the congressional controversy raging over administration of the works progress program in several states.

The \$4,000,000,000 program has become a major issue in the 1936 campaign as a result of charges that political factions were dominating relief administration in West Virginia and in sections of Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan and other states.

WPA Administrator Harry L. Hopkins said today to refute the charges which had raised demands for a congressional investigation, "Of course, this is election year," he said.

## MART DRIFTS DOWN IN AFTERNOON TRADING

Bonds Sell Off With Stocks and  
Deals Turn Dull.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Stocks drifted lower this afternoon, with the exception of a few issues such as Standard of New Jersey, which gained more than a point.

Even the oil shares failed to follow the lead of Jersey. Motors held fairly well, United States Steel was down slightly. American Telephone was off 2 1/2 at 166 1/2. Rails were fractionally lower. Westinghouse Electric declined a point.

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## FLOOD WATERS TAKE 9 LIVES IN NORTHEAST

Colder Weather Tonight  
May Check Danger; Dam-  
age in Millions.

COAST GUARD TO AID  
Most Serious Situation Is  
Past, Is Announcement  
of Meteorologists.

By United Press

NEW YORK, March 13.—Melting mountain snow and ice poured extra thousands of tons of water into already-raging rivers in Northeastern states today, but colder weather forecast for tonight was expected to check the danger.

At least nine deaths were reported and millions of dollars worth of property damaged.

Five lives were lost in New England states, where lowering temperatures already were stemming flood waters.

Potential danger still existed in flood areas of Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey. Most streams in Pennsylvania were receding, but the Federal Weather Bureau at Harrisburg predicted that the Susquehanna River would rise within 36 hours to the 23-foot level, five feet above flood stage.

#### Coast Guard to Rescue

Washington Coast Guard officials ordered three amphibian planes and 11 surf boats sent to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to assist in flood rescue work in that area.

Flood waters of the Passaic River in New Jersey which inundated several communities along the river valley, reached their peak during the night and the river showed no further signs of rising today.

The Susquehanna and Chenango Rivers in New York began receding today, and Meteorologist Thomas E. Reed at Binghamton announced that barring unforeseen developments, the most serious situation was past.

Three bridges over the Delaware River in New Jersey were closed due to flood and ice flow damage, but the Delaware river bridge commission at Trenton said the flood peak had been reached and the waters were receding.

Snowslides and floods took a toll of two lives in Quebec province. Telegraph and telephone lines were torn down. Roads in many sections were made impassable and a number of small villages were threatened with food shortage.

#### Temperatures to Rise

Rising temperatures tonight will melt snow to rain and end the two-day snow that March, which entered as a lamb, has seen fit to visit upon the city.

The skies are to be cloudy tonight, but the lowest temperature is expected to be slightly above freezing. At 6 this morning it was only 23 and the rise throughout the day is not expected to be rapid.

Indiana escaped flood threats. There were several ice accidents in the city and on county roads.

Two women slipped on icy pavements here today and were injured. There are Bertha Colanese, 50, Negro, 511 W. Ninth-st., right ankle injury, and Mary Burton, 51, of 647 Arbor-av., right shoulder injury.

## WINTER BLAMED FOR INCREASE IN ILLNESS

Scarlet Fever Reaches Highest Mark  
Ever Recorded by U. S.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Reports of increased illness over a major portion of the country by the United States Public Health Service was attributed today to an unusually severe winter.

Scarlet fever in the week ended March 7 was at the highest total ever recorded by the service. Reports from 45 states showed 8807 new cases in the seven-day period.

Smallpox increased, principally in Western states. Influenza likewise reached a high total since 1933. Working against the trend were measles and spinal meningitis, both of which declined.

## BEGINS LIFE TERM 2 HOURS AFTER PLEA

California Killer Sentenced  
in Swift Court Action.

By United Press  
SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Cal., March 13.—Jerome Von Braun Selz, 27, began a life term in San Quentin today for the murder of Mrs. Ada French Rice, 58.

He was sentenced in Redwood City last night in one of the swiftest Criminal Court proceedings in California legal history.

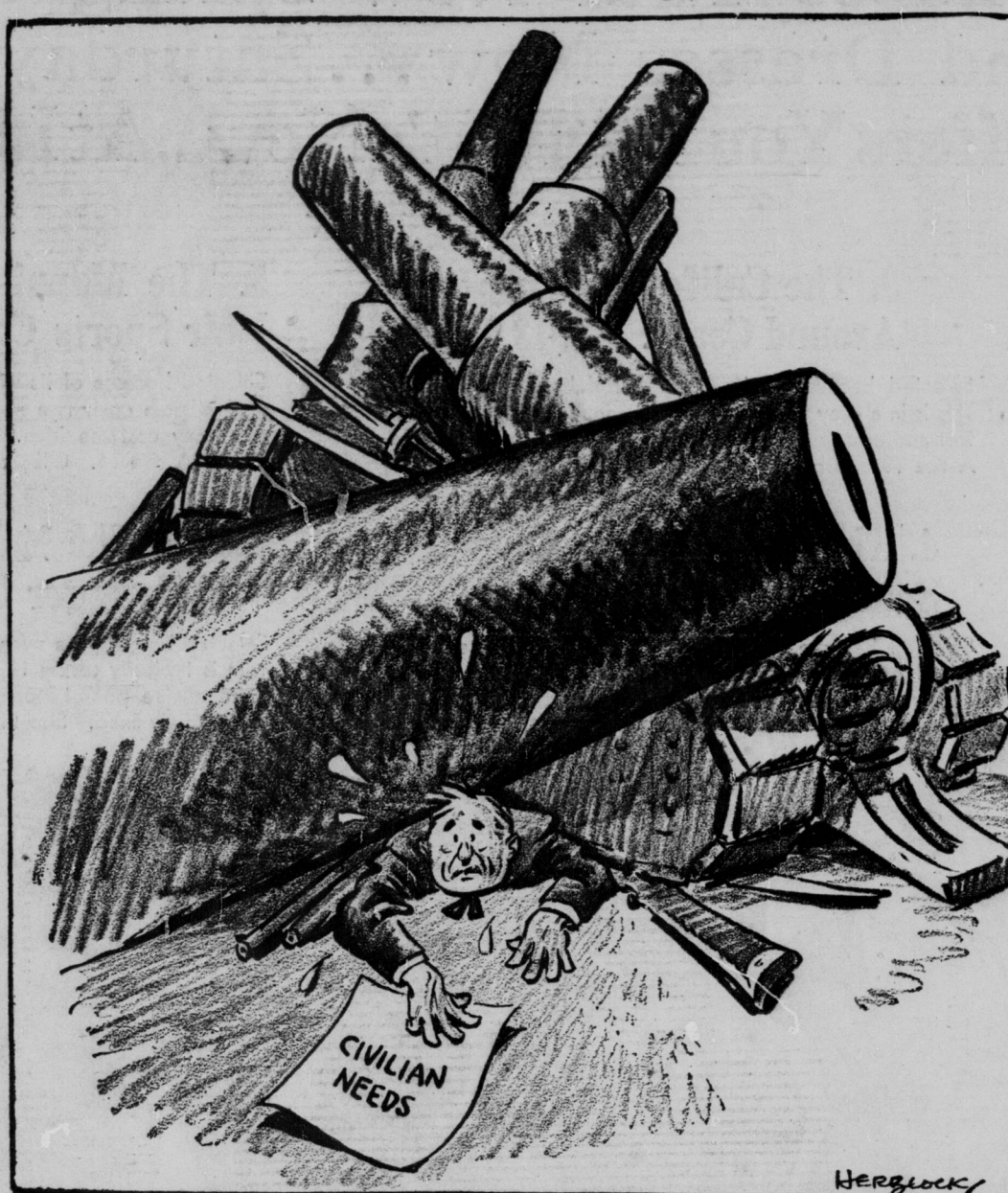
Barely two hours after he had pleaded guilty before Superior Judge Aylett Cotton, waiving all legal delays, he stood before Warden James B. Holohan, head of the nation's most populous prison.

A "deal" with San Mateo County authorities spared Selz from facing hanging.

F. D. R. Seeks New River Treaty

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, March 13.—President Roosevelt said today that the government plans to seek a new St. Lawrence River treaty with Canada.

## 'ALL GERMANS TO BE UNDER ARMS'



## AID FOR ROAD JOB WITHHELD

City Rejected by State on  
W. Washington-St  
Underpass.

Regretfully, the State Highway Commission has been compelled to tell the City of Indianapolis it is unable to do anything about the traffic condition that exists because of the underpass beneath the Big Four tracks near Roads 36 and 40.

Headed by Mayor Kern, a delegation of city officials appeared yesterday before the commission and asked what could be done about the situation.

The city is in an unfortunate position financially and is unable to bear the expense of the project, said the commission, according to James D. Adams, commission chairman, to relocate the funds which might have been used had the additional right-of-way been available.

Chairman Adams and Commissioners John Wheeler and Evan Stotsenberger agreed that the situation required attention. Mr. Adams said the commission regards the underpass as dangerous. The commissioners were supported by M. R. Keefe, the commission's chief engineer, and Fred Kellam, engineer in charge of designing.

Counter Proposal Offered  
Mayor Kern and members of the delegation offered a counter proposal which would not involve a straightening of the jog in Road 40, but which would involve raising the tracks four feet, and the building of two minor railroad structures. Such a proposal, it was said, would not involve the purchase of right-of-way.

The cost would be approximately \$500,000, according to Mr. Adams. The commission, he said, regards its cost as prohibitive, and not as an effective answer as repairing the underpass.

Consequently, in view of its survey, and allocation of possible funds for completion of other projects, the commission feels it can not do anything about the problem.

Regretting their inability to do anything, commission members pointed out that Federal funds at their disposal can not be used for right-of-way in cities of more than 35,000 population.

Bentz, also sought as a participant in several bank robberies, was found hiding in a dumbwaiter, clad only in his underwear. The flat yielded two machine guns, a rifle, three pistols and hundreds of rounds of ammunition.

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## 13? Boo!

'Lucky' Parachute Jump-  
er Ready to Defy All  
Superstitions.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Louis A. Barr sat down today to write his own obituary while his superstitious friends shook their heads sadly and predicted Friday the thirteenth would be his unlucky day.

Barr doesn't think so. In fact his program for the day includes defiance of virtually every known superstition. To start with, his alarm clock woke him up at 7:13 a. m.

From then until he is scheduled—if he lives—to end his day with a spectacular parachute jump his program includes:

Breaking a mirror.  
Walking under a ladder.  
Taking a third light off a match.

Spilling salt.  
Stepping over a broom.  
Permitting a black cat to walk across his path.

Having his picture taken before going up in the airplane.  
Entering the plane from the right side.  
Taking the black cat, named "Bad Luck," up with him.

Stepping from the plane at 6:13 p. m.  
Falling 13,000 feet before opening his parachute.

Barr, a member of the Washington Parachute Club, will jump from the plane over Beacon Airport, 13 miles south of Washington, at an altitude of 14,000 feet. "Shucks, nothing to it," Barr said as he checked over his list of 13 superstition-defying stunts.

"I always have thought I was lucky and I'm going to prove it," he said. "I'm sort of superstitious that way," he explained.

## WEYERHAUSER PLOT SUSPECT CAPTURED

Edward Bentz Nabbed in  
New York Flat.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, March 13.—Edward Bentz, wanted in connection with the kidnapping of George Weyerhauser, young heir to a lumber fortune, last year, was taken into custody today by Federal agents who bombarded his flat with tear-gas bombs.

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## EX-CONVICTS QUIZZED IN THEFT OF PURSES

Police Say 2 Men Served Terms in  
Kansas Prison.

Police today held two ex-convicts on charges of petty larceny and vagrancy following theft of purses from a downtown department store yesterday.

Those held are John H. Marshall, 32, living in a S. Illinois-st. hotel, and Herbert Boyce, 49, Emporia, Kas. Police records revealed both men had served prison terms in Kansas.

They were captured after an alleged attempt to pawn the purses.

## TWO BOYS HELD IN AUTO THEFTS

High School Youths Are  
Accused of Taking  
16 Cars.

Two Cathedral High School youths, whose taste in autos turned out to be identical with the tastes of some of the city's leading citizens, are to explain in Municipal Court this afternoon why they "borrowed" the cars without permission for joy rides.

Police who arrested the youths yesterday, say they have stolen 16 cars in the last 25 days and have driven them aimlessly about the streets until they ran out of gas, when they abandoned them.

The youths are James Emerson, 16, of 124 E. 30th-st., and Maurice Cunningham, 19, of 1727 N. Talbot-st. Among those whose cars were taken are Arthur V. Brown, 3921 Washington-blvd.; William Ray Adams, of the Adams Roadscaper Co., 4936 N. Meridian-st.; Harriet J. Plant, 3069 N. Meridian-st.; Mary Koehler, 3225 N. Meridian-st., and F. R. Buck, 1512 N. Meridian-st.

The thefts began Feb. 17 and continued until yesterday when Emerson was arrested. He implicated his partner, police said. Detective George Gilby was given credit for solving the case when he found a diary of the number of cars stolen and a ring of ignition keys in one of the automobiles that had been recovered. This led to Emerson's arrest, police said.

The youths were bound over to the county grand jury today after a hearing in municipal court. Each is under \$1000 bond.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, March 13.—The Supreme Court took the validity of the Guffey Coal Act under advisement today with the plea of the New Deal that its decision may involve the preservation of the Constitution.

John Dickinson, assistant attorney general, departing from a prepared three and one-half hour argument, said:

"This legislation is of an experimental nature. Much may turn on the decision of this court. The issues are much more tremendous than those of the present act. They are momentous. The issue of Federal power is at stake, whether there lurk interstices and crevices in the Constitution through which required Federal power may have shifted away."

The declaration of a complete break with the union three negotiations for a peaceable end of the strike into confusion at a moment when they had seemed to be nearing success.

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## DANGER OF WAR STRONGER, FEAR; PARIS ADAMANT

Demands for Penalties on  
Nazis Rejected by Eng-  
land, Report.

### SOVIETS FOR FIRMNESS

Moscow Is Disquieted by  
'Middle-of-the-Road'  
Attitude.

### BULLETIN

By United Press

LONDON, March 13.—Representatives of the Locarno treaty powers—Britain, France, Belgium and Italy—resumed discussion of the German crisis in a meeting at the foreign office at 5 15 p. m.

Foreign Minister P. M. Etienne Flandin of France was accompanied into the meeting by Minister of State Joseph A. Paul-Boncour, who had just arrived from Paris reportedly with an important general staff report on the disposition of troops in the Rhineland, particularly regarding any menace to England from the air.

By Frederick Kuh  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
LONDON, March 13.—Great Britain has rejected France's proposal to apply economic and financial sanctions to Germany, reliable diplomatic sources revealed today.

The Locarno powers—Britain, France, Belgium and Italy—thus were deadlocked in their efforts to find a solution of the crisis before the League Council is asked tomorrow to vote penalties.

France, assured of the support of Soviet Russia, even if it came to military action, refused to consider any proposal which would permit Adolf Hitler to retain the troops he now has in the Rhineland.

The