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## EXPENSES DECREASE BY NINE BILLION

### EXPENDITURES OF GOVERNMENT FOR LAST FISCAL YEAR SHOW ENORMOUS DECLINE OVER YEAR BEFORE. NATIONAL DEBT DECREASED.

Washington, July 20.—The total government expenditures during the fiscal year just ended dropped off by nine billion dollars as compared with last year representing a decrease of \$1,387,000,000 in ordinary disbursements and a reduction of \$7,846,000,000 in payments on the public debt, according to the annual statement issued today by the treasury.

Ordinary expenditures for the year amounted to \$5,115,927,689, pared with \$6,403,343,841 for the fiscal year of 1920, while disbursements on the public debt totaled \$9,182,027,127 as against \$17,038,039,723 in the previous fiscal year.

During the past year ordinary expenditures were heaviest in the month of March when \$536,476,360 was expended, and public debt disbursements were greatest in June when \$1,605,816,001 was applied on the national debt. Of the ordinary expenditures for the year the war department led with a total of \$1,101,000,000 representing a reduction of \$500,000,000 against the previous year. Interest on the public debt was the second largest item, amounting to \$999,000,000, a drop of \$21,000,000, while payments on account of federal control of the railroads ranked third in volume with \$730,000,000 representing a decrease of about \$300,000,000.

Of the public debt disbursements for the year \$8,552,000,000 was applied to the redemption of certificates of indebtedness a decrease of about \$5,000,000,000 as compared with the previous year, while the next largest item was \$431,000,000 in Liberty bonds and Victory notes retired, representing a decrease of about \$762,000,000.

## HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS MORE BIDS

### Offers of Contractors for Due West Road Prove Satisfactory.—R. P. Kyle Lowest Bidder

The Abbeville County Highway Commission, in cooperation with the state highway department, today opened bids for the construction of 19.5 miles of the Due West road, from the city limits of Abbeville to the city limits of Honea Path. Only three bids were received, the lowest being for \$57,511.77 by R. P. Kyle, of Charleston. The other bidders were Blankenship and Phillips of Greenwood, \$65,902.13 and Willard Boggs and Co. of Spartanburg, \$59,623.76. This is a federal aid project and L. M. Weisiger was at the meeting representing the state highway department and the federal government. Federal aid on this project and the Belton, Honea Path road will be \$54,600.

The low bid is for \$2,948 a mile. Members of the commission were highly pleased with the rate at which they will be able to get this important road built. Next Friday the commission will open bids for the construction of the part of the Belton Honea Path road, beginning near Due West railroad track at Donalds and running to the Greenwood County line, a total distance of two and one-third miles. This is also a federal aid project.

## A MUSICIAN

Mr. Herman Yoder is in the city on a visit to his brother, Mr. Clyde Yoder. Mr. Yoder comes from New York where he is connected with the Schirmer Music House. He is an accomplished musician.

## KING HEARS PLANS OF LLOYD GEORGE

### IRISH SITUATION TO HAVE ATTENTION OF BRITISH MONARCH WHO HAS SHOWN KEEN INTEREST IN AN AMICABLE SOLUTION.

London July 20.—The British cabinet sat for two hours and a half this evening considering the Irish plans, after which Premier Lloyd George went to Buckingham Palace and laid before the King, whose interest in an Irish settlement is the keenest, the proposals for submission to Eamoun De Valera, the Irish republican leader, at tomorrow's conference.

The prime minister presided at the cabinet council, which was held in the House of Commons and outlined for the benefit of those ministers who had not been closely concerned in the Irish negotiations the history of recent events and the premier's new offer to Ireland, which is described as being drawn on generous lines.

It is understood that the financial arrangements in the new offer have given considerable trouble to the ministers, but eventually after consultation with Sir Robert Stevenson Horne, chancellor of the exchequer, and the treasury officials the various provisions were agreed to. It is also understood that the general lines of the premier's offer have the approval of Austin's Chamberlain the government leader in the House of Commons; Sir Robert Horne, Sir James Worthington Evans, secretary for war and other ministers, and that probably with some modifications, the entire cabinet will assent to the proposals which will be reduced to writing for presentation to Mr. De Valera.

Whether Mr. Lloyd George has succeeded in overcoming the reluctance of Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, to join in a tripartite conference is not known, but an announcement that Sir James is coming to London again, probably next week, is considered a favorable omen, and in any case no hint of a breakdown in the negotiations is apparent. These, however, may be more protracted than had been generally expected. General Jan Christian Smuts, premier of South Africa, is holding himself in readiness to go to Ireland again, if needed.

## YOUNG WOMEN, BEWARE OF KISSING YOUTH

New York, July 21.—Kissable young women between here and San Francisco are hereby warned that they may be approached soon by a young Irish-Bohemian poet in a crushed opera hat and khaki hiking suit and asked for a kiss.

Two young poets from Greenwich village made the rounds of New York city editors early today and exhibited the champion kisser, who, they declared, had wagered he could win kisses from one thousand girls on a trip across the continent.

This main attraction of the party, who refused to give his name, said the young women of Yonkers would be given first chance to kiss him today.

## SUNDAY BASE BALL GOOD FOR BOYS

Newark, N. J., July 21.—Taking a boy to a base ball game on Sunday is not a crime, nor is it evidence to moral turpitude, according to a decision spread on the books of Vice Chancellor Backes' court.

Mrs. Grace Lines who is suing her husband John A. Lines for separate maintenance, asked the vice chancellor to cancel the order allowing Lines to visit their small son, who remains in the mother's custody. Her plea was that Lines took the boy to ball games.

The vice chancellor refused to grant her request.

## HEAR BOB JONES

The well known evangelist, The Rev. Bob Jones, who has made several tours of the state in recent years, and who has been unusually successful in his work, will preach tonight at the Baptist church. County treasurer Cheatham is chairman of arrangements, and he says everything possible has been done to insure the comfort of the audience. The service will begin at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Jones comes under the auspices of the Evangelical Committee of the South Carolina Sunday School association and his hobby is "personal work." A number of Abbeville people have heard him preach and all of them speak of him in the highest terms.

## UNIFORM POLICY FOR COTTON LOANS

### RESERVE BANK MEN MEET IN CONFERENCE TO TAKE CARE OF FINANCES DURING MARKETING PERIOD—FIVE DISTRICTS REPRESENTED.

Washington, July 20.—Formation of a uniform policy to cover cotton loans in the five largest cotton growing sections of the country during the coming marketing season for the crop was undertaken today by representatives of the reserve banks of those districts in conference here with Governor Harding of the federal reserve board.

Changes in prices, and the cotton situation generally in the last few months, according to Governor Harding, will make it necessary for the new loan scheme to cover all the factors in the extension of necessary credit, such as terms, maturities and the adequacy of securities. Uniformity in the cotton loan plan is desired, the governor said, to insure equality in the advances in all sections and to carry out the board's policy for the orderly marketing of the crop.

Those to attend the conference were J. Z. Miller, governor of the Kansas City Reserve Bank; George J. Seay, governor, Richmond Reserve Bank; David C. Biggs, governor, St. Louis Reserve Bank; M. B. Wilborn, governor, Atlanta Reserve Bank; and W. F. Ramsey, chairman of the board of the Dallas bank.

## MOVING PICTURE ON COUNTY TOUR

### Health Subject, Accompanied By Lectures, Presented at Several Points in County.

A moving picture the subject of which is health, and which will be free to all comers, will be carried on a tour of the county next week, under the direction of Miss Ruth Crowther, home demonstration agent, and state and county health officers. The showings will be accompanied by addresses by such talented speakers as Senator J. Howard Moore, Dr. C. C. Gambrell, Mr. P. H. Mann, superintendent of education, and Mr. R. B. Cheatham, county treasurer.

The schedule will be as follows: Monday, Calhoun Falls. Tuesday and Wednesday, Abbeville Mills. Thursday, Central School. Friday, Lowndesville. Saturday, Antreville school house.

## BITTEN BY DOG.

William McComb, delivery boy for Rosenberg Mercantile Company, was bitten Wednesday afternoon by a dog in the yard of Mr. Denny Miller. The dog inflicted two wounds on the lad's leg, and he was unable to be at his work yesterday. It is not thought the dog had hydrophobia.

## TO PREACH SATURDAY

The Rev. J. W. Busshardt will preach in front of the court house tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. His subject will be "The Boll Weevil—its, Origin, Object and the Remedy."

## BASEBALL PLAYERS TELL OF SCANDAL

### STATE TURNS FULL STRENGTH OF PROSECUTION ON WHITE SOX SCHEMERS TO BRING ABOUT THEIR CONVICTION FOR THROWING SERIES.

Chicago, July 19.—The state today turned its full strength into the prosecution of the Chicago White Sox baseball players and others charged with the alleged conspiracy which resulted in the 1919 world series scandal by sending Bill Burns who admitted being an accomplice of the defendants and who turned state's evidence in return for immunity to the witness stand to tell the inside story of the reported sell-out of some of the game's greatest players to gamblers who wanted the series thrown to Cincinnati.

Burns, who was only about one-third through his story when court adjourned for the day, was questioned long enough to name Arnold Rothstein of New York, Abe Attell, former featherweight pugilistic champion; David Zelser of Des Moines, one of the defendants, Billy Maharg of Philadelphia, and himself as among the organizers of the alleged conspiracy. He drew vivid verbal pictures of numerous meetings between the players and the alleged fixers in Cincinnati hotels the day of the first two games of the 1919 series, saying that the athletes agreed to make the series a "made to order one," throwing games just as desired.

Burns testified that Eddie Cicotte one of the American league's greatest pitchers, said he "would throw the first game if he had to throw the ball over the fence."

Burns identified David Zelser as a man he had known as Bennett during the forming of the alleged conspiracy and declared that Bennett, or Zelser was present at most of the meetings when reported sell-out was arranged.

Burns said Abe Attell had termed Rothstein a "walking bank" who would pay all he promised but that after the first game Attell refused to give him any money, saying he could not pay the players until he collected the bets made. The players were to get \$20,000 after each game lost, Burns said.

Rothstein testified before the grand jury last fall that he was approached on the deal but refused to go into it and that his name was used by Abe Attell without his permission.

Burns' testimony was broken by repeated arguments by the various attorneys who succeeded in having some of his testimony barred, particularly that dealing with a conversation with Cicotte in New York prior to the series.

## N. Y. PRINTERS HAVE RATIFIED AGREEMENT

New York, July 21.—The present wage scale of New York newspaper printers is to continue until next July as the result of ratification of an agreement by the union, announced today. The day shift will receive \$55 for 45 hour week. The night shift will receive \$58 for 45-hour week and the midnight shift, \$61 for 42 hours.

## NO NEWCOMERS SENT BACK HOME

### RESTRICTIVE IMMIGRATION LAW NOT SO RESTRICTIVE AS HAD BEEN ANTICIPATED. SURPLUS OF POLES AND TURKS PUZZLES OFFICIALS.

New York, July 21.—The restrictive immigration law which went into effect June 30 thus far has barred no newcomers who have been able to reach these shores.

Officials at the Ellis Island immigration station said today that while European embarkation had been somewhat curtailed, and there had been some delays in admission of immigrants, none had been turned back here because his country's quota has been filled. The only persons excluded have been those unable to meet the usual physical, mental and moral tests.

At present, there is a surplus of only two nationalities. The July quota for Greece of 657 already has been filled with an excess of 49, while Palestina has sent two more than its quota of eleven.

These extra immigrants have applied for a hearing before they are departed. As there are no ships sailing for Greece from New York this month, the 49 at least will be here in August and it will be up to Washington to decide whether they are to be admitted in the quota of that month.

Ellis Island faces the prospect of being crowded with Poles and Turks for the July quotas are filled and large numbers from these two countries are on the high seas and due before the end of the month.

Therefore rulings from Washington are being eagerly awaited on whether these Poles and Turks are to be held over for charging against the August quotas or shipped back home.

Officials pointed out if premature arrivals were admitted, quotas for the last few months of the thirteen that the restrictive law is in effect soon would be used up.

## ABBEVILLE FOLK WRITE IN SHORT STORY CONTEST

In The State's short story contest, the results of which were announced Wednesday, four Abbeville county people were mentioned as having submitted stories. They were, Miss Gwen Bristow, "The Sign of the Cross;" Miss Nettie Russell, "Colonel Tarleton's Horse;" Miss Alice Lee Humphries, Donalds, "The Reburnished Talent;" and Mrs. M. T. Coleman, "A Damn Negro and His Road to Destiny."

## REVIVAL SERVICES

The Rev. W. A. Ducworth, of Antreville, announces that revival services will be held in his church next week, beginning Sunday. The morning service will be at 11 o'clock and the evening service at 8 o'clock.

## MONEY FOR SCHOOLS.

Abbeville county has received, during the fiscal year ending June 30, \$17,428.61, from the various funds of the state superintendent of education. This amount was distributed among the schools of the county in accordance with the state laws making the money available.

## Big Breach of Promise Suit

Detroit, July 21.—The \$150,000 suit for alleged breach of promise instituted by Miss Monica Hatton against Arthur Stott, prominent Detroit, went to the jury today following a trial lasting three weeks. Miss Hatton testified Stott had proposed to her in July, 1915, and that she had accepted him. She also testified Stott was the father of her child.

## MARKETING PLAN TOLD AT MARION

### CLARENCE POE, KAMINER, HAMER AND LONG SPEAK TO FARMERS AT LARGELY ATTENDED MEETING—MUCH ENTHUSIASM IS AROUSED.

Marion, July 21.—An enthusiastic crowd, consisting of more than 250 leading farmers and business men of Marion county attended the meeting held in the court house today in the interest of the Cooperative Cotton Marketing association, Clarence Poe of Raleigh, N. C., the editor of The Progressive Farmer, was principal speaker of the occasion. No attempt was made to sign up the cotton growers at the conclusion of the meeting, it being explained that committeemen aided by the extension force from Clemson college would begin a campaign for members within the next few days.

H. G. Kaminer of Gadsden, president of the organization committee of the South Carolina Cooperative Cotton Marketing association, was the first speaker, R. J. Blackwell, county chairman of the cotton association, after a few introductory remarks yielded the floor to R. C. Hamer, president of the South Carolina division of the American Cotton association. Mr. Hamer introduced Mr. Kaminer.

Mr. Kaminer delivered a carefully prepared address in which he set forth the present cotton situation and outlined the remedies for this situation. He stated that raw cotton represented the main primary wealth of the state and that a fair and just price for the net market value of the staple would make a tremendous asset upon which to build the progress and development of the agricultural, commercial and civic life of South Carolina. He explained that with the exception of two years ending September 1, 1920, the cotton growers had never received a price commensurate with the true intrinsic value of the staple since 1875. Records show, he declared, that the price of cotton received by the farmers during the 50-year period prior to the War Between the Sections, was higher than the average price received for the staple since that time.

He stated that the problem of production of cotton had now been solved. That no longer was the matter of chief concern but instead those interested in cotton growing were making a study of the marketing of the product. He explained that cotton was not merchandised and manufactured as other products were, but was "dumped" on the market. He pointed out that the remedy was a marketing association such as those now in operation in California. In conclusion Mr. Kaminer pledged his energies and abilities to the fullest extent to the case for which he was laboring.

Speaking steadily for nearly an hour, often interspersing the serious tenor of his address with humorous stories, Mr. Poe elicited close and interested attention from his audience. With intimate manner and clear convincing style of oratory, he apparently sold the idea of cooperative cotton and tobacco marketing to the growers who heard him. Mr. Poe was introduced by W. W. Long, director of the extension department of Clemson college.

Mr. Poe explained very elaborately and thoroughly the difference between "dumping" and merchandising. He pointed out that the cotton growers and the tobacco grower helplessly cast his products on the market, taking whatever price was given him, while the manufacturers of the country fixed a price on goods turned out which would afford a reasonable profit to them.

## DR. MARTIN TO PREACH

Rev. Jas. L. Martin, D. D., will preach in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning at 11:15.