

## PRESIDENT VETOES BILL ON PLANNING

Assails Legislation for War  
Department Control of  
Flood Projects.

By the Associated Press.  
President Roosevelt yesterday vetoed a bill for War Department planning of flood control, power and conservation projects, declaring he would present to Congress next January a "comprehensive national plan" prepared by all Federal agencies concerned.

The vetoed legislation, Mr. Roosevelt said, is out of line with his "thoroughly democratic" proposal of June 3 to create seven regional planning authorities. It would make the War Department the national planning agency, he continued, and ignore initiation of projects by local and regional units.

Another reason given in his veto message was that the bill provides for no prior review of projects by the President "from the standpoints of national budgetary considerations and national conservation policies."

The President's seven-region proposal, under which as many boards would consult local authorities and submit projects for approval to the National Resources Committee and the President, still is pending before congressional committees.

Referring to it yesterday, the President said:

"I expressed the belief that such a process of national planning should start at the bottom through the initiation of planning work in the State and local units, and that it should contemplate the formulation of programs on a regional basis, the integration of fiscal and conservation policies on a national basis and the submission of a comprehensive development program to the Congress by the President."

He contended the reverse of such a process is prescribed in the vetoed measure.

Experience Insufficient.

While praising the Army engineers, Mr. Roosevelt said their experience and background are not alone sufficient for planning a comprehensive program for development of all the multiple uses of water.

"The planning of the use and control of water and related sources," he said, "is distributed by law among numerous governmental agencies, such as the Departments of Agriculture and Interior, the Federal Power Commission, the United States Public Health Service, the International Boundary Commission and the Tennessee Valley Authority."

The joint resolution encroaches upon the functions of these agencies, and ignores and duplicates the coordinate planning work already in progress under the general guidance of the National Resources Committee."

## GAS AND CHAIR USED, 2 DIE FOR MURDERS

First North Carolina Killer Com-  
mitted Slaying Prior to  
New Law.

By the Associated Press.

RALEIGH, N. C., August 14.—Lethal gas and electricity each was used yesterday to take the life of a Negro murderer at State's Prison.

James McNeill, 23, of Harnett County was electrocuted for the slaying of his sweetheart, Sudie Eason, in June, 1935.

Leroy McNeill, 18, of Robeson County, convicted of the poison murder of Mrs. Andrew Cox last February, was gassed a few minutes later.

The electric chair last was used in North Carolina November 13—also a Friday.

Lethal gas was substituted for electricity by the 1935 General Assembly. The statute provided, however, that persons convicted of crimes which occurred before July 1, 1935, should be electrocuted.

## FARLEY TALK ADVANCED

Young Democrats to Hear Him  
Friday Instead of Saturday.

INDIANAPOLIS, August 14 (AP).—Alvin C. Johnson, Indiana president of the Young Democratic Club of America, said yesterday James A. Farley, Postmaster General and Democratic national chairman, will address the national meeting of Young Democrats here next Friday night instead of Saturday, as planned earlier.

The national meeting will open next Thursday.

James Roosevelt, son of the President, will speak Friday morning and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will speak at noon the same day.

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## WED UNDER 'PRESSURE,' GEORGE BRENT ASSERTS

Lawyer for His Estranged Wife  
Fails in Effort to Have  
Testimony Stricken.

By the Associated Press.

LOS ANGELES, August 14.—George Brent testified yesterday "pressure" was brought to bear in his marriage to Constance Worth, actress, in Tia Juana, Lower Calif., May 10.

The actor seeks an annulment on the ground they did not comply with Mexican marriage laws.

"We were going to Tia Juana to be married," Brent testified. "I finally agreed because of the pressure. By that I mean—"

Louis B. Swartz, Miss Worth's attorney, interrupted and sought to have that testimony stricken, but the court refused. The nature of the pressure remained unexplained. Brent said they separated July 14.

## WALLACE DEVISES COTTON LOAN PLAN

Work Begun on a Schedule  
to Peg Crop at 12 Cents  
in Senate Bargain.

By the Associated Press.

Secretary Wallace began work today on a crop loan schedule to carry out President Roosevelt's share of a bargain with worried Congressmen from the cotton belt.

Mr. Roosevelt agreed yesterday to order the price-bolstering loans, which in effect will peg cotton at 12 cents a pound. In return, the Senate pledged itself by resolution to put crop-control legislation at the top of its slate

for next session.  
Chairman Jones said the House Agriculture Committee will approve the same resolution Monday. The House membership will concur willingly, he predicted.

Mr. Roosevelt had refused to permit loans on this year's cotton crop, selling low because of heavy production, until he won definite assurance that control measures will be enacted before 1938 crops are planted.

Leaders said the amount of the cotton loan had not been determined, but that if it is 10 cents a pound the Government will grant a subsidy of 2 cents a pound. They explained the loan might be set at 9 cents, with a 3-cent subsidy.

The subsidy payments would not be made next August. The only producers eligible would be those who fulfilled agreements under the surplus-control legislation to be enacted in the meantime.

Senator Bilbo, Democrat of Mississippi predicted similar assistance would be given corn, hog and wheat growers if their markets falter.

## SENATE VOTES BILL ON ARMY HOUSING

\$1,893,188 Added to Meas-  
ure for Building of Bar-  
racks Here.

By the Associated Press.

The Senate late yesterday passed a \$25,587,456 Army housing program for various posts throughout the country after adding \$1,893,188 for purchase of land and construction of barracks for the Headquarters Provisional Brigade and Washington Quartermaster depot in this city. The measure previously had passed the House, but goes back there for action on this and other amendments.

At the same time the Senate also

put through a \$6,099,057 housing authorization measure for naval stations, in which the nearest item of interest to Washington is for expansion and improvement of naval radio facilities at Annapolis.

In addition to the amendment for new barracks here, the Army bill also authorizes other nearby projects as follows:

Fort Humphreys, reproduction plant, \$74,880, and telephone construction, \$3,500.

Fort Myer, Va., hospital addition, \$9,000; barracks, \$275,000, and telephone construction, \$500.

Fort Washington, Md., officers' quarters, \$30,000.

As it came from the House the Army bill called for a total of \$21,480,688, to which the Senate added more than \$4,000,000 in amendments.

Coronation Films Preserved.

Two-color films of the coronation procession are to be preserved permanently in the British Film Institute in London.

## POLES ARE ISSUE AT CRASH HEARING

Board Hears Power Com-  
pany Re-Erected Wires  
After Complaint.

By the Associated Press.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., August 14.—A Federal board weighed today testimony that the Florida Power & Light Co. re-erected power line poles near the Daytona Beach Airport after once having removed them on complaint of the Department of Commerce.

The investigating group sought to complete by tonight its inquiry into an Eastern Air Lines plane crash which killed four persons Tuesday. The

plane struck a power line pole across the road forming the south boundary of the field.

Richard C. Copeland, district manager for the Bureau of Air Commerce, testified last night that the power company had put poles along the edge of the airport prior to the time the big transport planes began landing there some two months ago.

He said the company removed the poles on complaint from his office and he had not been advised that any had been re-erected.

The company had asserted previously it had a right to place the poles there, and said it had been done a number of times before.

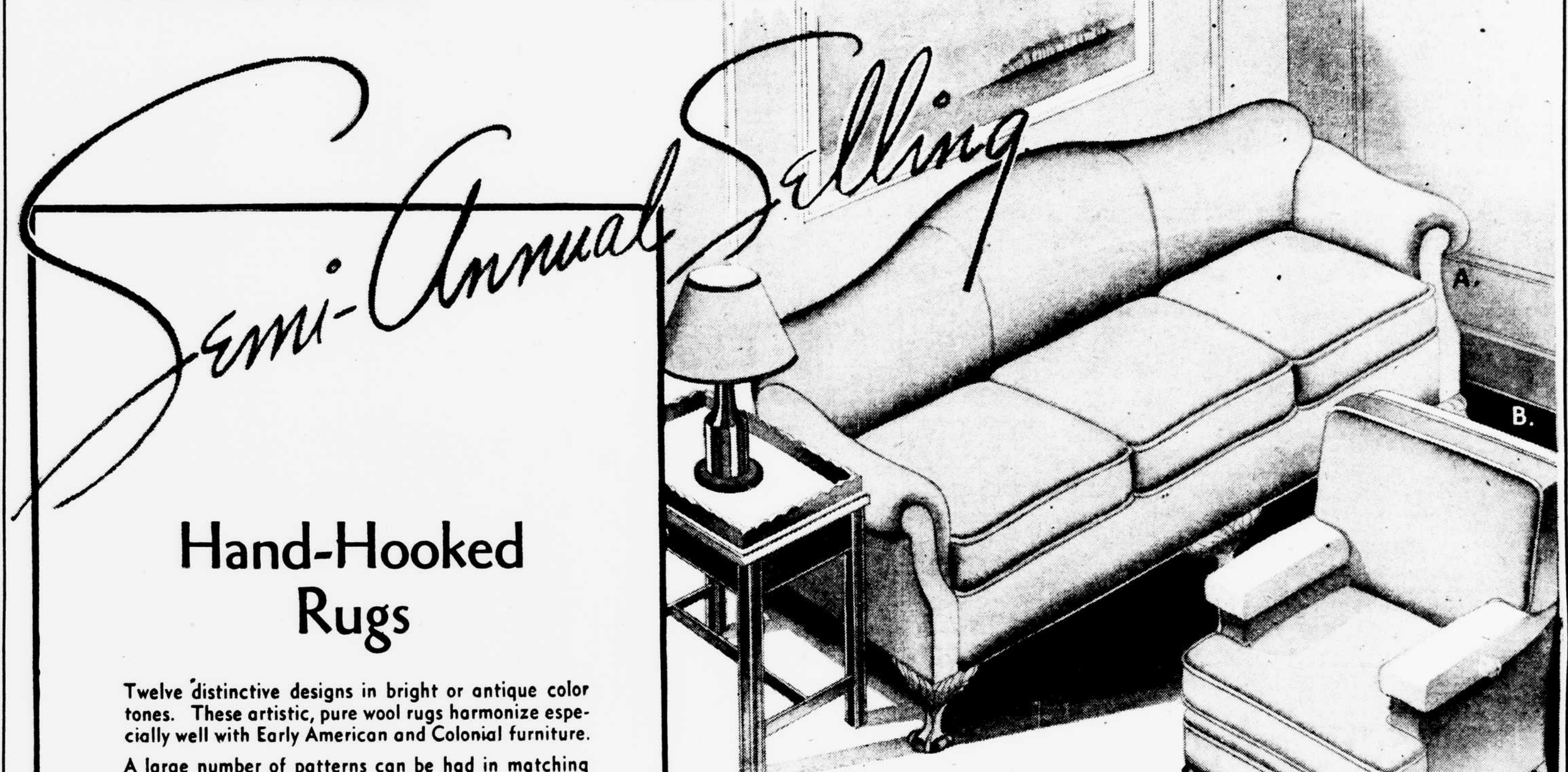
Girl in "Iron Lung" Better.

DENVER, August 14 (AP).—Hospital attendants reported improvement yesterday in the condition of Shirley Krause, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Krause, who was placed in an "iron lung" for treatment for infantile paralysis.

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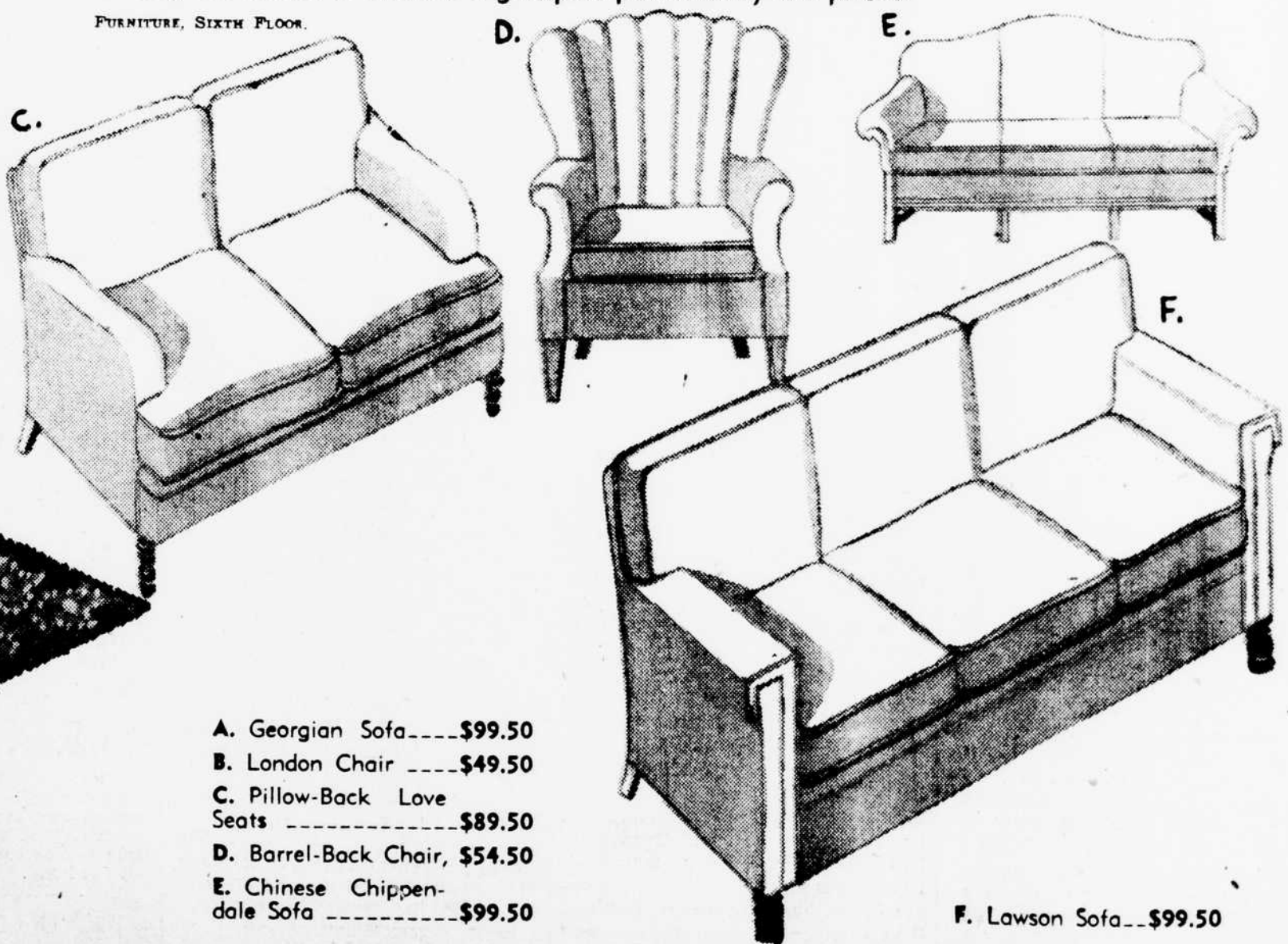
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