

Hundreds Feared Dead In Earthquake

Greene Favors Plan Proposed by Local Chamber

Terminal Site to Be Turned Over for Big River Produce Base?

State Advised to Dispose of Various Terminals. Because They Are of Little or No Use—Federal Ship Waterway Urged—Gas and Sign Tax

Albany, Feb. 15.—In a report submitted to the Legislature last night Colonel Frederick Stuart Greene, state superintendent of public works, calls upon the members to do all in their power to urge upon the federal authorities "not only the desirability but the necessity" for the American ship canal, from the Great Lakes to the Hudson River.

"In spite of the adverse opinion recently given by the United States engineers against the American ship canal," says Colonel Greene, "I am, if anything, more firmly convinced that such a canal is needed, not only for the State of New York, but to provide a deep water outlet for the great freight tonnage originating in the states bordering our Great Lakes and in the Middle West states adjacent to the lakes.

"I hold that the American ship canal is a necessity to the continued commercial supremacy of this country and that, sooner or later, a deep water way must be built to connect the Great Lakes with the sea, the route from Oswego to the 'deeper Hudson' at Albany is the logical and the most advantageous one for the United States to build."

Would End Fifteen Canal Terminal Projects

Establishment of a gasoline tax and a sign tax, and the abandonment of fifteen barge canal terminals or terminal sites already established as "useless" are other high spots of the report. Seven of the fifteen terminals recommended for abandonment are in New York City and another is in Yonkers. The New York city terminals are located in the River at 20th street, Broome street, Greenpoint, Long Island City, Hallett's Cove, Mott Haven and Flushing. Other terminals classified as useless are in Troy, Newburgh, Poughkeepsie, Ohio Basin in Buffalo, Port Henry, Plattsburg and Bousquet Point.

Heavy Maintenance Charges

"For the State to continue to own and maintain these terminals is to carry an expensive and a useless burden so far as any benefit to the canal is concerned," says the report. "The carrying charges of these fifteen terminals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, were \$39,243.10. On the other hand, if these terminals are bought by the city or local community in which they are located, they may be converted into useful properties.

Says Money Would Be Wasted

"These terminals have already cost the State merely to purchase and improve \$6,917,313.71. To complete them as originally designed would cost an additional \$4,827,000, making a total investment of \$11,744,313.71."

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Accusing Wife of Wrong. He Slays Her and Then Self; Admirer Also Takes His Life

Bristol, Va., Feb. 15.—Murder and suicide in the home of J. D. Howard, member of a wealthy Virginia family at Blackford, echoed in the home of Henry Grant, three miles away, and the three principals in an affair were dead. Howard, fifty-three years old, returning home from West Virginia on Sunday night, quarreled with his 39-year-old wife and accused her of infidelity. During the argument, Howard fired at her from across the table where they sat, but missed.

Dr. Kieb, Head of Prisons, Against Coddling Convicts; Would Seek to Reform Them

Poughkeepsie, Feb. 15.—Longer prison terms, less coddling of convicts, and more intelligent application of the parole system are advocated by Dr. Raymond E. Kieb, superintendent of the State Prison at Poughkeepsie, appointed to succeed James J. Long as State Commissioner of Correction.

"I favor long prison sentences," he declares, "because they carry real punishment for criminals and are a warning to others. But I believe in doing the utmost to change

Sorrow Slayer



In frenzied grief over the death of his boy from diphtheria, Frank Caruso (above) shot Dr. Casper S. Pendola, the attending physician, in Brooklyn. "It was that poison he put into my son's arm," Caruso declared, referring to a hypodermic administered by the doctor. Caruso, whose weapon was a butcher knife, was quickly arrested and is said by the police to have confessed.

Too Young to be Prosecuted for Slaying

Lad of 12 Murders Store-keeper in Richmond Hill—Says He Wanted to Rob Cash Register to Get Something to Eat

Richmond Hill, N. Y., Feb. 15. (UP)—A frightened boy of 12, who shot down a storekeeper in a holdup, is held in the Children's Shelter today, only his age standing between him and a charge of murder.

Michael Ponkrowski, Jr., a pupil in Grade 8 A of the public school, entered the leather goods shop of Marcus Gold last night, pointed a revolver at the merchant, and ordered him to open his safe.

Bullet Enters Boy's Heart

The merchant, a kindly man of 42 with an 18-year-old son of his own was amused and thought the boy was "playing bandit," he told police before he died. Gold turned away with a smile, and the boy's trembling finger pulled the trigger. The bullet entered Gold's body near his heart.

Find No Body in the Raised Liner 'Irving'

Army engineers spent yesterday in examining the Hudson River Day Line steamer Washington Irving in Greenville mud flats near Bayonne to determine what steps should be taken to raise or salvage the vessel. It was said the vessel probably would be floated. The Washington Irving sank last June off Pier 12, Jersey City, and was taken from there on Sunday by dredgers under the supervision of army officers, who ordered the vessel removed as a menace to navigation. It was later raised by a cofferdam and with only a small portion of the hull above the surface was towed to the Greenville flats and into shallow water until it again grounded. The engineers said no skeleton or body had been found in the boat, as was reported.

Week of 48 Hrs. for Women In Industry to Be Provided For

Seventy-Eight Hours' Overtime to Be Permitted In Year—Maximum Compensation for Injured Workers May Be Increased from \$20 to \$25 a Week

Albany, Feb. 15. (U.P.)—Enactment of a modified 48-hour a week law for women in industry was recommended to the Legislature today by the legislative industrial survey commission, which has been studying the need for revision of the labor code for the last several months.

The law as suggested would permit 78 hours of overtime, to be distributed throughout the year by the employer, after he had notified the Industrial Commission, but in no case would an operative be permitted to work more than 54 hours in any one week.

While the report was signed by all the members of the commission, three of them dissented on some of the findings. Assemblyman F. L. Hackenburg, Democrat, Merwin K. Hart, representing employers and Emanuel Koveleski, for the state Federation of Labor, objected to some of the findings.

Not to Drive Industry from State

Arguments of opponents of the 48 hour bill that such legislation would drive industry from the State were not concurred in by the commission, which said "there is no evidence that such a situation could not be readily met by the management of industry. If such a law were made sufficiently flexible to take care of seasonal rushes and of the occasional overtime required by breakdown or other industrial causes."

Illegal Practices Continue?

The report also intimated that alleged illegal practices uncovered by the Lockwood housing committee in union labor circles in New York are still in force and that there exist conditions on the docks in New York, "which add very greatly to the cost of distribution of articles of necessity" in New York.

Refers to Be Lawmakers

The recommendation was also made that in the future referees in the workmen's compensation bureau be lawyers appointed by the chief judge of the Court of Appeals to serve ten years at a salary of \$6,000 yearly. This recommendation is made to take the appointments out of politics, it was stated.

Maximum Compensation

The maximum compensation for injured employees, where the disability is total, should be increased from \$20 to \$25 a week, it was said.

Depot Blows Up; Man Dead; Much Damage

Boulders Are Hurlled More Than Mile as Nitro-Glycerine Explodes in the Oil Boom Town of Borger in State of Texas

Borger, Texas, Feb. 15. (UP)—Explosion of a large quantity of nitro-glycerine in an explosive depot today killed one man, injured several others and caused thousands of dollars of property damage to business and residence buildings. Oil boulders scattered throughout this oil boom town were torn to pieces, plate glass windows were smashed and walls shaken down.

Rocks Hurlled Long Distance

The depot was situated on the side of a rocky hill, and the blast practically demolished the hill. Huge rocks were hurled hundreds of feet. One of them killed Melvin Morris, 37, who was at work on an oil rig in the downtown district. Other rocks were thrown through walls and roofs with terrific force.

Boulders were hurled more than a mile from the explosive depot, which was splintered.

EARTHQUAKES IN INDIA

Calcutta.—Several villages in Northern India have been destroyed by earthquakes, but few natives have been killed.

Jenks Takes First Steps In His Plan To Test Enforcement Law's Repeal

Albany, Feb. 15. (UP)—Assemblyman Jenks, who plans to test the validity of the repeal of the Mullen-Flagg Act, made his first move in the Assembly last night, when he introduced amendments to the penal code requiring a magistrate to examine witnesses and complainant in a move for a search warrant for search and seizure of intoxicating liquors. If satisfied that grounds exist for a search, the magistrate must issue the warrant, which must be executed in the day time. Later Jenks plans to bring about a court test by demanding prosecution of an alleged violator of the prohibition laws under the state's old enforcement act.

Tom's Choice



Prohibition shouldn't be made an issue in the next presidential race, and Evans Woolen of Indianapolis should be Democracy's 1928 standard-bearer, says Tom Taggart, Democratic chieftain. Woolen is a Yale graduate and a banker. He ran for the Senate last year and lost.

Enact Bill to Bar Hospital in Orange Co.

Hall Measure, Keeping Tuberculosis Sanatorium from Acquired Site in the Town of Goshen, Goes Through Assembly

Special to The News

Albany, Feb. 15.—The Assembly last night passed a bill introduced by Assemblyman Alexander G. Hall of Orange county which would prevent the establishment of a tuberculosis hospital in Orange county except under certain conditions.

When the bill came up for final passage Assemblyman Saul S. Strett of New York was the only speaker to object to the proposed law, while Assemblyman Hill and Louis A. Caviller of New York made speeches in support of the measure.

Mr. Hall said the bill was non-partisan and was in line with home rule government, and that he was not legislating for any private interests of any citizens of Orange county.

Mr. Caviller said it was a worthy piece of legislation and should be supported by the members of the Assembly.

Not New York Corporation

The organization which seeks to establish this hospital in Orange county is not a New York State corporation and the Attorney General has given an opinion that a foreign corporation has not the right to establish a hospital of the character planned or in fact any institution unless incorporated under the laws of the state. The bill now goes to the Senate for concurrence.

The hospital is opposed because its backers, a Hebrew Relief Society, has acquired a site for it in the Town of Goshen which it is alleged drains into the water supply of the village of Goshen.

Pinedo to Start on Flight Over Ocean to Brazil on Wednesday

Bolama, Portuguese Guinea, Western Africa, Feb. 15. (UP)—Francisco de Pinedo arrived by airplane from Italy today and immediately began loading supplies aboard his Saverio hydroplane in preparation for tomorrow's attempt to span the vast reaches of the South Atlantic in a non-stop flight. De Pinedo expected to stop ashore in Pernambuco, Brazil some time Thursday.

ELEPHANT WASHED ASHORE

Singapore.—The body of an elephant was washed ashore here during a heavy storm.

CARD PARTY AND DANCE
STATE ARMORY
WEDNESDAY EVE., FEB. 16
Benefit of Children of Mary and Holy Name Societies of St. Mary's Church

Wide Devastation by Shocks In Jugo-Slavia—Mountain Collapses

Area of Dead Lies Between Spalato and Mostar—Militiamen and Red Cross Workers Hurry to Relief of Inhabitants—Minor Shocks Continue

London, Feb. 15. (UP)—Several hundred persons were killed by the Jugo-Slavian earthquakes, the Daily Mail correspondent in Vienna telegraphed his paper today.

The area of the dead was between Spalato, on the coast of the Adriatic, and Mostar, principal city of Herzegovina.

Relief Workers Enter Stricken Area

Belgrade, Feb. 15. (UP)—Details of deaths and damages in earthquake shattered Herzegovina were awaited today as militiamen and Red Cross operatives hurried into the mountainous area, where it was feared that large loss of life and tremendous property damage had been sustained.

The adjoining province of Bosnia also was believed to have suffered severely from the shocks which during the period of utmost frequency occurred at about the rate of one a minute yesterday. The most severe and destructive of the quakes lasted 42 seconds.

Minor shocks continued today to jar the rumpled countryside.

Village Overwhelmed by Mountain

A crumbling mountain was reported to have overwhelmed the village of Herajevio topped over, interrupting communications. Thousands of persons were reported to be homeless today in the towns and vicinity of Mostar, Ljubini, Makarska, Perkovitch, Metkovitch and Gabela. Cold weather and snowy streets added to the misery of the inhabitants who already were running short of food.

Shocks Felt In Italy

Rome, Feb. 15. (UP)—Half a dozen Italian cities reported having felt the shocks which today were believed to have caused enormous damage and considerable loss of life in Jugo-Slavia.

Reports from Spalato said Bosnia and Herzegovina had suffered enormous damage and that many persons had been killed.

Bari, Taranto, Ancona, Macerata, Fermo, Trieste and Naples felt the shocks.

SUBWAY IN ARGENTINE

Buenos Aires.—The City Council has decided to construct a subway system like the London tubes.

Location of Great Anchorage for Fort Lee Bridge in Park Is Cause of New York Protests

A design for an acre and a quarter of stone and concrete, destined to anchor the Manhattan end of the Fort Lee bridge across the Hudson, is being flung back and forth over the drawing tables of engineers and architects for the Port of New York Authority and the City Park Commission.

The controversy, fanned by the interest of several civic societies, has arisen over the location of the anchor.

Architects and engineers for the Port Authority want the anchorage in Fort Washington Park, near the upper end of Riverside Drive. The anchorage is to be a mass of stone and concrete about 250 by 200 feet and 110 feet high—a frontage of almost a city block, and high as a twelve-story building.

Block View of Palisades

Civic organizations have protested that this location of the pile would subtract too much acreage from the park, and block the sweeping view of the Palisades and the New Jersey shore from Upper Drive. The present plan also would call for changes in the course of Riverside Drive between 135th and 179th streets, making it conform to the arches, which now are planned to lead east from the anchorage.

The complaints say that the anchorage could be placed east some 550 feet, thus leaving the river stretches of the Palisades unobstructed. The Port Authority engineers reply that such a move would unbalance the proportions of the bridge, making the span from tower to anchor on the Manhattan shore unacceptably longer than that on the New Jersey shore.

Jersey Anchorage In Rocks

The New Jersey anchorage is to be driven into the Palisades. It cannot be moved inland to restore conformity. It is said, because of a shortage of land. Also, to change the present plan would add \$2,000,000 or more to the cost of the bridge, which is to be a \$50,000,000 structure.

Chain Grocery Store Robbed by Girl, 17, Who Flourishes Gun; Has Aid of Young Man

Brooklyn, Feb. 15. (UP)—A plump, self-possession girl, bandit held up William McCarthy, manager of a chain grocery store, and robbed his safe of \$169. She was accompanied by a young man who obeyed the orders she issued.

The girl, who seemed only about 17, came in and asked for butter, eggs and bread. When he turned to give her the change from a \$20 bill he found himself looking into the muzzle of a pistol.

"I want all the money in here. Where is it?" she said.

McCarthy indicated the safe. She ordered her companion to search it and they walked out with the money. As they left, she threatened McCarthy with her pistol and warned him to make no alarm until they had gone.