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## DARROW REPORT ON NRA NOT PLEASING MR. JOHNSON

Recovery Administrator Speaks of 50,000 Word Report as "Superficial, Intemperate and Inaccurate"—Recommends That Review Board Be Abolished—Darrow Recommends Return of Anti-Trust Laws and Terms The NRA Watchword of "Fair Competition" as an "Illusory Phrase"—Four of Five Board Members Sign With Darrow, Sixth, John F. Sinclair, Dissents—Darrow and Thompson in Supplementary Report Emphasize What They Term a "Trend Toward Monopoly"

WASHINGTON, May 20 (AP)—Clarence Darrow's review board tonight presented its 50,000 word critique of the National Recovery Administration, recommending a return to the anti-trust laws which were suspended for the recovery program and terming the NRA watchword of "fair competition" an "illusory phrase."

Hugh S. Johnson, recovery administrator, replied to the criticism and called the report "superficial, intemperate and inaccurate," a "political sounding board," and coupled this with a recommendation that the review board be abolished.

The board was created by President Roosevelt to determine the soundness of charges in Congress and elsewhere—that little business was being discriminated against in the operation of the National Recovery Administration and its codes of fair competition.

The main report was signed by Darrow, noted Chicago attorney, and four of the five board members. The sixth, John F. Sinclair, dissented, asserting that conclusions of the majority were "inconclusive, incomplete and at times misleading." He recommended establishment of a permanent review board of appeal independent of the NRA and of a series of review boards for minor appeals within the recovery organization itself.

In a supplementary report, signed only by himself and William O. Thompson, Darrow emphasized what he termed a trend toward monopoly under the NRA.

"The choice," he wrote, "is between monopoly sustained by government, which is clearly the trend in the National Recovery Administration; and a planned economy, which demands socialized ownership. And control."

"To give the sanction of government to sustain profits is not planned economy but a regimented organization for exploitation."

This, Johnson retorted, meant the choice was "between fascism and communism, neither of which can be espoused by anyone who believes in our Democratic institutions."

Darrow suggested that the way for the public to find out the "difficulties which arise from the position of the small man in the present stage of industrial development" was to transfer the investigatory work to the federal trade commission, but to Johnson this was only the "way to destroy the industrial recovery program."

The NRA price fixing plan was criticized by the Darrow board, which declared that prices should be "determined by competition rather than regulation."

The "chiseler" is regarded by NRA as a menace to recovery, but Darrow said he might "not always be a public enemy"; he might represent the only protection for the public in some cases against a monopolistic organization or chain.

And, said Darrow, fair competition was "merely a resounding and illusory phrase," all competition was "savagely, wolfish and relentless" and could be nothing else.

The chief counsel of the NRA, Donald R. Richberg, replied to that.

"The board," he said, "proclaims a return to the anti-trust laws for the purpose of restoring competition we believe to be one of the great needs of the time."

"Thus the board," Richberg said, "flatly advocates that a modern, civilized nation should abandon any effort to promote fair business practices and should 'return' to a 'savagely, wolfish struggle for individual survival.'"

The chiseler, Richberg insisted, was "the sweat shop operator, the exploiter of child labor, the cut-

throat competitor."

In the board's analysis of the individual codes, it reported it had found three instances which prompted a recommendation to President Roosevelt that code officials or agencies be dismissed.

The board recommended the dismissal of the code authorities for the bituminous coal industry in northern West Virginia and the Pittsburgh districts, including among its reasons "oppression of small enterprises by price fixing."

It recommended, without mentioning his name, the replacement of Sol A. Rosenblatt, deputy administrator for the motion picture code, because of testimony that he was "prejudiced against independent producers, distributors and exhibitors" and on the ground that he refused to testify before the review board.

Richberg said the recommendations in the case of the coal boards were based on "ex parte testimony" and should be ignored. Rosenblatt said that the review board's hearing on the motion picture code was "not even a 'star chamber' proceeding; it was no proceeding at all."

## THREE MEN KILLED BY SHIFTING STEEL PLATES

MARION, Ohio, May 20 (AP)—A man killed with a youth believed to be his own son by shifting steel plates in an Erie railroad gondola was identified tentatively as either Arthur Wells or Leo Shultis, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Cards in pockets of the older man bore the two names and on one was a note reading, "in case of accident notify Mrs. E. Young, 94 South Hamilton Street, Poughkeepsie."

A third victim of the accident, Thomas O. Brien, 58, whose legs were badly crushed by the tons of metal, told railroad authorities he met the two men while traveling through Pennsylvania.

The accident occurred during the shifting of cars in a westbound freight train.

O'Brien said the two dead men told him they were enroute to Mitchell, S. D., to visit the father's brother. The elder man appeared to be about 65 and the younger about 35.

## AGED MALONE WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

MALONE, May 20.—Mrs. William Graves aged about 70, who resides on the Porter road, three miles east of this village was burned to death at her home this morning.

Mrs. Graves who was alone in the house was evidently cleaning the kitchen stove with polish and using a dauber. Something took fire and she was burned to death. Her husband made the discovery when he reached home.

## POPE CONDEMNS PAGAN MOVEMENT IN GERMANY

VATICAN CITY, May 20 (AP)—Pope Pius XI, speaking to 5,000 German Pilgrims, today vigorously condemned what he termed a pagan movement in Germany. The remarks were made in the course of a colorful ceremony which elevated a humble lay brother who for forty years had been doorman at a German Capuchin Monastery, to sainthood.

## FOUR PERSONS KILLED IN STUNTING PLANE

WINK, Tex., May 20 (AP)—Four persons, including two 12-year-old boys, crashed to their death in a stunting airplane at the Tulsa airport, about six miles from here, today.

The dead were Willie Ravel, about 28, El Paso; and Bruce Anderson, 12, Bobble Sessler, 12, and Harry Lynch, pilot, all of Wink.

Witnesses said the plane, which had been stunting over the new airport, roared down over some high tension wires and the pilot was unable to right it as it tipped and crashed into the ground.

Hundreds present at the dedication of the airport saw the crash. Reg Robbins, former co-holder of the world's plane endurance flight record, was officiating at the airport dedication.

## THAYER HAS ONE MONTH BEFORE CALL

Special Session of Legislature to Meet on Case June 19

ALBANY, N. Y., May 20 (AP)—Just one month remained tonight before state senator Warren T. Thayer of Chateaugay learns what his colleagues think of his relations with the Associated Gas and Electric Company bases of a charge of official misconduct.

On June 19, by formal call of Governor Lehman, the upper house of the State Legislature will assemble to pass judgment on its accused member and complete another phase of New York's rapidly changing utilities picture due to have climax in the broad investigation scheduled to open about July 1.

The governor announced last night he would issue the call for the special session of the senate on June 19, date suggested by the Senate Judiciary committee which investigated Thayer's acts on his own resolution.

The inquiry covered letters of Thayer and Associated officials and also utility bills killed in the Senate Public Service Committee from 1925 to 1932. Thayer was chairman of this committee. Also subjected to official scrutiny was the sale by Thayer of controlling interest in the Chasm Power Company to Associated. The deal was consummated on January 17, 1926, soon after Thayer became head of the committee.

He declared there was no connection between his selection as the committee head and sale of the company. Negotiations for the concern he declared, began in September, 1924.

The senate decision on whether Thayer is guilty of official misconduct, and if so should be expelled will end the second chapter of the utilities situation.

Publication of Thayer letters before the Federal Trade Commission early in the year stimulated passage of the Lehman utility reform measures, the Senate investigation of its member and approval for a statewide probe of all utility companies.

Thayer has maintained throughout there was nothing wrong in the letters.

## COLONEL WALLACE ARRIVES AT POST

Colonel W. B. Wallace, accompanied by Mrs. Wallace arrived at Plattsburgh barracks yesterday afternoon and are now occupying quarters 23 in officers row.

Colonel Wallace who has been assigned by the War Department to command the Twenty-sixth infantry and Plattsburgh barracks arrived here from Fort Benning, Ga.

## 150 TAKE NORMAL ENTRANCE TESTS

More than 150 students of northern New York who plan to enter Plattsburgh State Normal School in the fall took their entrance examinations Saturday. Examinations were given in Plattsburgh, Saranac

## LEHMAN SIGNS BILL FOR BARGE CANAL WORK

Enables Army to Spend \$27,000,000 For Improvement

ALBANY, N. Y., May 20 (AP)—Despite strenuous opposition from Buffalo, Governor Lehman today had affixed his approval to the Henderson-Lewis Bill enabling the army to spend \$27,000,000 of Federal funds for improvement of the Barge Canal as a Great-Lakes-to-Ocean waterway.

New York State makes the initial appropriation of \$10,000,000 to launch the work of deepening the canal and raising bridges. It will be reimbursed by the federal government.

A joint legislative committee will confer with army engineers and make recommendations for the work which, under the bill, will be under the direction of state superintendent of works Frederick S. Greene.

Besides towed barges, steel motorships use the canal now. Higher bridges and a deeper channel will allow enlargement of the boats to permit their use in ocean shipping when the canal is frozen over.

Buffalo based its opposition on the fact the canal will be improved only from Oswego, on Lake Ontario, to Waterford, on the Hudson river. The western New York City claimed this will encourage shipping to enter the lakes through Lake Ontario and the Welland Canal.

Governor Lehman, in signing the bill, said he would not be justified "in rejecting this large sum of money." He also stressed the work and business the large expenditure will result in.

## MEET TODAY TO ALLOT DIVISION ROAD QUOTAS

Officials to Learn About Federal Quotas at Conference in Albany

Roy F. Hall state division engineer for northern New York with headquarters in Watertown, will attend to conference today of division engineers when construction allotments will be announced by Arthur W. Brandt state highway commissioner.

The sum of \$8,000,000, in addition to the regular maintenance money, will be split among highway divisions for new construction and badly needed reconstruction.

Also to be announced is the disposition of federal moneys under the nation-wide farm to market program of the national government. It was reported last week that Clinton county would receive \$105,000 for construction and reconstruction of county roads on condition that the board of supervisors raise \$35,000.

Members of the board are ready to snap up the offer but cannot take action until more definite information is received. However there will be no delay as a meeting of the board has been called for Wednesday.

Lake, Glens Falls and Malone.

The same examinations, including psychology, English and reading tests were given to normal school candidates throughout the state at this time. Results will not be made known to candidates until early in August.

Another entrance examination will be held during the summer for those who did not take the examination last Saturday.

## BANKS MAY HAVE BRANCHES IN TRADE AREAS

Stephens Bill Signed By Governor MAY GIVE STRENGTH

Clinton County Assigned to Fourth Area District

ALBANY, N. Y., May 20 (AP)—The D. M. Stephens bill permitting upstate banks to extend the system of branch banking within their natural trade areas was signed tonight by Governor Herbert H. Lehman.

"This bill should in no way injure the sound unit banks in this state, nor will it reduce the amount of local credit available to residents of small communities," the governor said.

The bill was the subject of a bankers' controversy aired at a hearing before the governor earlier this month.

"The main feature of the bill authorizes a bank or trust company to open a branch office in any city or village located in the banking district in which it has its principal office," Governor Lehman explained.

Provision is made, however, that such branches cannot be opened where banking facilities already exist, except by purchase of the bank already doing business.

A further provision requires the approval of both the superintendent of banking and the banking board by a two-thirds vote before any branch can be reestablished.

Manhattan banks are still restricted to banking in New York city.

"Impartial and disinterested experts in banking are largely in agreement that the banking structure of this country would be materially strengthened by a properly regulated and restricted system of branch banking," Governor Lehman declared.

He said there were 182 communities without banking facilities. Half of them, had banks which closed in recent years.

The new bill divides the state into nine districts:

- 1—Kings, Queens, Nassau, Suffolk
- 2—Richmond, New York, Bronx
- 3—Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess, Orange, Ulster, Sullivan
- 4—Columbia, Rensselaer, Washington, Greene, Albany, Schenectady, Saratoga, Warren, Essex, Schoharie, Montgomery, Fulton, Hamilton, Otsego, Clinton
- 5—Jefferson, Lewis, St. Lawrence, Franklin
- 6—Herkimer, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Cayuga, Seneca
- 7—Chemung, Schuyler, Tioga, Tompkins, Broome, Delaware, Cortland, Chenango
- 8—Monroe, Wayne, Livingston, Ontario, Yates, Steuben
- 9—Chautauque, Cattaraugus, Allegany Erie Niagara Wyoming, Genesee, Orleans

"The bill does not call for statewide branch banking; it limits branches within defined districts comprised of three or more counties, each district constitutes a natural commercial and trade area," the governor said.

"It contains strong, solid safeguards."

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., May 20 (AP)—Twenty year old Frances E. Crozier of this city rode into town today after a motorcycle trip alone from San Diego, Calif. She came to see her mother and to "have a thrilling adventure."

## SIX PERSONS KILLED AT GRADE CROSSING

AKRON, O., May 20 (AP)—Six persons were killed at the Springfield road crossing of the Erie railroad in Barbeton today when a west bound Erie passenger train struck a small sedan.

The wreckage of the automobile was carried more than half a mile beyond the crossing before the train stopped.

The six killed were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. William O. Mare, and Mr. and Mrs. John Kuzelin, all of Akron.

Police were unable to find witnesses to the accident. There are no gates at the crossing, but the flasher lights were working, police said, and a clear view can be had for half a mile both ways on the track.

## TWO ARMY FLIERS KILLED IN CRASH

PORT HURON, Mich., May 20 (AP)—A Selfridge Field airplane crashed and burned just after taking off from the Marysville airport this morning, cremating Lieut. Frank J. Findlay, 30, of Detroit, and Private George J. Scott, 27, of the 17th Pursuit Squadron.

Lieut. Findlay was a member of the Air Reserves, with inactive status. He and Private Scott, who had been in the air service for only a few months, were on a training flight.

What caused the crash was not determined definitely, but the plane went into a spin at a low altitude just after leaving the airport and crashed within 100 feet of a house adjoining the air field.

The intense heat drove back would-be rescuers, but apparently the two men were unconscious when the flames reached them.

## WOMAN KILLED ON WAY HOME FROM FUNERAL

KANE, Pa., May 20 (AP)—Returning from a funeral, Mrs. W. G. Shaw, 72, of Fishkill, N. Y., was killed last night in an automobile accident six miles west of Kane. Three others were injured.

Police said a car driven by Thomas E. Gannon, 23, of Warren, route six, collided head-on with one driven by Frank Ludington, 57, while passing a long truck. Mrs. Shaw was riding with Ludington enroute to Roulette, Pa., after attending the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Ludington, at Franklin.

Ludington is in Kane hospital with a fractured skull, fractured leg and knee. Gannon and George Mahaffey of Warren, Pa., riding with him, received minor injuries.

## MARINE CORPS WILL ACCEPT 2,350 YOUTHS

The Marines are delivering body punches to the unemployment situation these days. After a long period when but few applicants were enlisted, the famous Corps has started to accept 2,350 youths.

The provisions of a recent act of Congress increased the strength of the Corps from 15,000 to 16,000. This will leave it still 1,500 below the strength of three years ago. The remainder will be required to fill the places left vacant by discharges and other causes.

With a view to obtaining the best men, orders from headquarters in Washington direct that only those who have attended high school, or have an equivalent education, are to be enlisted. While it is desired to secure applicants at least 68 inches in height recruiting officers are permitted to accept 50 per cent of their quotas between 66 and 68 inches. The minimum age is 18 years, but a few boys to learn the drum and trumpet are being accepted between 17 and 18 years.

Parents' consent for those who have not reached their majority and character references are required. Enlistments are for four years.

Recruits are immediately sent to the Marine Barracks Parris Island, S. C., upon enlistment, for training after which they are transferred to posts where here needed. Steady employment, travel, adventure, sports, free education, uniforms, and medical attention, comprise some of the features offered. The nearest recruiting station is located at 641 Washington Street, New York, N. Y.

## RECONSTRUCTION BEGINS AT CHICAGO'S FIRE SCENE

No Time Lost in Repairing Damage of Chicago's Worst Conflagration Since Great Fire of 1871 — Blaze Which Swept Through Stock Yards Does Damage Estimated at \$10,000,000 — More Than 1,000 Men at Work Cleaning Up Wreckage — 1,500 Persons Treated For Injuries Suffered During Four and One-Half Hour Fire—Sixty-Two Engine Companies Pour Water Into Ruins—1,200 or More Homeless — Fire Regarded as Accidental, Not Set

## POLICE PROBE SLAYING OF SCHOOLBOY

Freshman at Philadelphia College Jailed Following Party Fight

PHILADELPHIA, May 20 (AP)—Clifford Keane, of Valley Falls, R. I., a freshman at a Philadelphia college, was held without bail today on a charge of homicide in the death of Daniel Quinn, 19, in a fight which police said occurred after two college students "chased" a schoolboy's party.

Detective Patrick McEvitt said Keane admitted that he knocked Quinn down in fist fight which followed the breaking up of the party. Quinn, a high school student, struck his head on a sidewalk and died of a fractured skull, McEvitt said.

Investigators said the party, held last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fedeken, was getting underway with a number of high school students present when Keane and a fellow college student, Edward McKernan, 21, of Bridgeport, Pa., arrived with two girls.

One of the girls had been invited to the party. Fedeken told police he admitted all four of the young people, thinking them friends of the other guests, he entire group spent the evening dancing.

After midnight, police said, Keane suggested to his companions that they leave. They said Quinn protested: "You came here and we let you stay. You ought not to quit now."

McEvitt said Quinn followed Keane and McKernan and their girl companions from the house and a fight followed on the sidewalk.

A neighbor, Jacob Belcher, found Quinn's body shortly afterward. Police rounded up all members of the party, but released all save Keane after several hours' questioning. Keane was ordered held pending action of the coroner.

## WEATHER

Eastern New York: Generally fair Monday and Tuesday except probably local showers in extreme north portion; warmer in south-east portion Monday.

General Temperature

NEW YORK, May 20 (AP)—Maximum temperatures and weather conditions in 16 United States cities today:

Albany—76—Partly Cloudy  
Atlantic City—78—Partly Cloudy  
Boston—66—Partly Cloudy  
Buffalo—80—Partly Cloudy  
Chicago—90—Clear  
Denver—88—Partly Cloudy  
Miami—80—Partly Cloudy  
Minneapolis—90—Clear  
New Orleans—83—Partly Cloudy  
New York—74—Rain  
Philadelphia—92—Clear  
San Francisco—72—Clear  
San Francisco—72—Clear  
Seattle—64—Clear  
St. Louis—88—Partly Cloudy  
Washington—94—Clear.

"If science has diminished men's fears of the natural world, it has probably increased their fears of other men."—Aldous Huxley.

would be burned.

The only packing plants damaged were those lying east of Halsted street—the P. Brennan Packing Company plant, a huge warehouse of the Omaha Packing Company, the Independent Packing Company, and the Levi Pfeizer Packing Company, all comparatively small plants.

# HISTORY

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# CLINTON

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