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## Health Begins At Home



GOOD HEALTH CAN BE HAD in any community if its citizens are alert and public-spirited. Here Dr. Sam Dillard, of Memorial Hospital's pediatric clinic, examines a young lady. Every year about 3,500 visits are made to this clinic by indigent or near-indigent patients. Typical of Charlotte's efforts to

better health conditions, this clinic is made possible by the Kiwanis Club, which gives \$2,000 a year to its support. Many other local groups started health activities which are now vital in the life of the City. (News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin Studio).

## What Can Be Done

# City's Health Facilities Evidence Of Public Spirit

By BURKE DAVIS  
Charlotte News Special Writer

CHARLOTTE'S health facilities are by all odds the finest in the Carolinas, and though they are far from complete, they stand as impressive evidence of what public-spirited citizens can do in the field of health when they see a need for action.

The four hospitals themselves are examples of that community spirit. Their combined total of 1,155 beds is not now enough to care for the patient loads, chiefly because the city, as a medical center, attracts people from a wide area. But its Good Samaritan Hospital is doing a good job of caring for the indigent, and the best Carolina hospital for Negroes.

Behind almost every health activity in the city are a few citizens who, as groups or individuals, opened new fields to relief pressing emergencies. No one will ever compile a complete list of these men and women, but hundreds of them worked and contributed anonymously. A few examples will show what

has been done, and what can be done in the future—for there is still great need.

### CIVILIAN PROJECT

The City Health Department now has Will Baby Clinics scattered over the city, capable of examining thousands of babies—because the Civilian Club started this project and footed the bill at first.

The City now offers a comprehensive maternity service to all mothers who need it—because the Kiwanis Club started the program. From this start we have reduced maternal death rates to an irreducible minimum last year only three Charlotte mothers died in 4,739 live births.

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4. Memorial Hospital now has a thriving medical social service department, because the Junior

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## Hits VA Office Move

# Winston Official Scores Charlotte

WINSTON-SALEM—(AP)—Harry J. Krusz, general manager of the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce, said today that the "whole situation" of the "constant threats of the Veterans' Administration's moving to Charlotte" had come to the point where it has become discouraging to work with.

Krusz' statement followed an announcement yesterday by Mayor H. H. Baxter of Charlotte that the VA regional office headed by J. D. Deramus would be moved to Charlotte to house the Charlotte office.

Mayor Baxter stated further in a news release that he had submitted a proposal to the VA under which a building would be erected in Charlotte to house the agency if the Administration would agree to rent the structure when it was completed.

Krusz said: "It is not surprising that Charlotte is again making a bid for the Veterans Administration. In fact, it seems to be the principal objective of Charlotte to concentrate on the things we get here. Most of the things we get here are from other North Carolina cities, but to turn their energies toward projects of their own so that the entire state can benefit. However, since that is Charlotte's policy, we have to face it."

## U.S. Health Plan Urged

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Senator Tamm, Republican, Ohio, and three other Republicans propose a \$200,000,000-a-year public health program to provide free medical service for the needy and encourage voluntary health insurance plans.

Senators Tamm, Minnesota; Smith, New Jersey, and Donnell, Missouri, joined the Ohioan in sponsoring the bill.

It would distribute the funds for medical service to the states, Tamm outlined yesterday, to fill gaps in the service, particularly in reaching the lower economic groups.

The states would receive their shares on a population basis, while cities would have to match the Federal aid.

**NON-COMPULSORY**

Tamm said the bill would help make health insurance "available to the great number of those who are unable to buy it on a compulsory basis. In this respect, he said, it differs from administration proposals for public health aid which he said would force patients and doctors to participate.

The bill also would distribute funds to states ranging from \$8,000,000 for the first year; \$10,000,000 the fourth year; \$10,000,000 on a non-compulsory basis for a National Institute of Dental Research; \$30,000,000 for a survey of health and medicine care resources; and \$100,000,000 for a dental care survey.

The bill would consolidate all Federal health activities in a new independent health agency.

## Dentists Sit On Anxious Seat

CHICAGO—(AP)—Five Cleveland dentists hailed a cab today and instructed the driver to show up in the town.

Their shouting tour turned out to be a wild high-speed ride in and out of Loop traffic, through alleys and stoplights, over curbs and climaxed by a chase by two squads of pistol-wielding police.

After the police curbed the cab, the dentists with "Glad-to-be-alive" signs pointed to the driver, Edward Hickey, 23, of Delish, Minn.

Det. Frank Schultz said Hickey told him he had stolen the cab from a garage and that his record showed 42 arrests since 1930. Hickey was held without charge.

"Charlotte has tried to get some of our industries away from us, but has not been successful. Now it seems to keep harping on the VA, apparently it feels the VA is vulnerable."

"We have been in touch with the VA here in Winston-Salem for some time. We have offered to

## Scientists Stymied

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Scientists here today said they were finally able to drop scientific dice to get across their idea.

Dr. George Russell Harrison, dean of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was the guest in a lecture last night.

A foreign born plumber in New York City was reported to have had hydrochloric acid did a good job of cleaning out pipes.

The Bureau wrote: "The efficacy of hydrochloric acid is

# Republicans Push Fiscal Program

## Act To Keep Tax, Budget Cut Pledges

Spending Ceiling Must Be Fixed

By FRANCIS M. LE MAY  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Beset by dissension in their own ranks, Republicans reared against time today to make good on promises of a slash in Government spending and income taxes.

GOP fiscal leaders were reported to have arrived at a preliminary agreement on a program about this:

1. Pare President Truman's \$1,500,000,000 budget some \$600,000,000 and slash congressional ceiling on total Federal spending. This is, where the former number comes from.
2. Divide these savings about equally between debt retirement and other purposes, which would permit an overall tax cut of 20 per cent.
3. Hold open the question of just how tax relief will be distributed between large and small taxpayers. Republicans are split wide open on this issue.

The Congressional Reorganization Act stipulates that the 102-member Senate - House Budget Committee must review the President's budget and fix a spending ceiling on spending by February 15 next Saturday.

A 20-man budgetary subcommittee was called into session today, presumably for final figuring on the ceiling to recommend to the full committee on Friday.

**POSTPONEMENT URGED**

Rep. Cannon, Democratic, Missouri, former Appropriations chairman, tossed a resolution in the hopper proposing postponement from Feb. 15 to April 15 of the deadline for fixing the lid on expenditures. He said all the Republicans can do at this time "is get out into the air and pull out a figure."

But, Rep. Taber, Republican, New York chairman of the Budgetary Committee, declared the ceiling will be fixed by Saturday midnight.

These were these other developments on the floor:

1. The committee on postwar tax policy, headed by Roosevelt Magill, Democratic, New York, and three other Republicans propose a \$200,000,000-a-year public health program to provide free medical service for the needy and encourage voluntary health insurance plans.
2. The revolt in Republican ranks against the Knutson farm acreage board, 20 per cent tax cut and 20 per cent tax reduction.
3. The group proposed following up on the \$100,000,000-a-year program for the 20 per cent on taxable income of \$100,000 and above. The top rate would be 30 per cent.
4. This Tax Committee works under a special grant from the Maurice H. Greenback Foundation.

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3. The Chairman Gurney, Republican, South Dakota, of the Senate Armed Forces Committee objected to any "indiscriminate" cutting of funds for the military.

4. The President's \$1,500,000,000 estimate for \$2,000,000,000.

## Separation's Proponents

Wildlife Bill Aired

RALEIGH—(AP)—A parliamentary scrap broke out today in the committee on Conservation and Department today and resulted in the Senate group sitting as "guests" of the House group in hearing a bill that would separate the Division of Game and Inland Fisheries from the Dept. of Conservation & Development.

The Utilities Commission hearing room could not accommodate the gathering of about 250, including the 75 committee members and the hearing was moved to the House chamber.

Senator W. E. Smith, chairman of his group, said he had not officially called his committee to meet today and therefore it could not hold a hearing.

Today had been set aside for proponents of the bill. Opponents will be heard Thursday.

Despite protests of the separation move, chief Senator John McLaughlin of Iredell, the Senate group would not vote to consider the bill today. However, Senator Smith said his committee would await action of the House committee.

Various proponents of the bill were called for statements. Tom White of Kinston said that an overwhelming majority of the people were for separation. President P. K. Gravelly of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation Inc. said game and fish constituted an economic asset that had largely disappeared in the last fifteen years. Some areas now have only breeding stock, he said. He added that the Federation has 20,000 members in 102 clubs in 96 counties.

He was asked by Senator Alton A. Lennon of New Hanover if the Federation believed anything less than separation was the only way to bring desired results.

"Absolute separation is the only solution," Gravelly answered. He was loudly applauded.

Ed C. Bryson of Duke University said there must be some reason for the shortage of game and fish and that the record of the Dept. of Conservation & Development was one of absolute failure. He said he did not mean to attack the honesty or integrity of anyone in the department but that there was plenty of game and fish when the department took over those resources.

## War Office, Admiralty Stand By In Emergency

Coal Shortage Growth Hewitt

By ROBERT WERTZ  
LONDON—(AP)—The Labor Government Cabinet, wrestling with the unprecedented shortage of coal, issued orders tonight for the War Office and Admiralty to stand by to give whatever help was possible.

All kinds of expedients were considered. These included the use of military aircraft, heavy bombers to clear snow drifts from roads, the use of radar to guide warships to guide collars and barges through fog and ice, and the use of submarines to generate electric power for coastal towns.

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## Legislative Proposal

Minimum Wage, Maximum Hours Proposed In Bill

RALEIGH—(AP)—A measure sponsored by the State Labor Dept. to set minimum wages at 40 cents an hour and the maximum work week at 40 hours within six days was introduced today by Senator Julius Allbrook of Halifax and others. Signing the measure with Allbrook were Senators D. L. Ward of Craven, Frank M. Parker of Buncombe and Wallace of Johnston, and Larimer Midgett of Newbank. Overtime work would be compensated for at one and one-half times the regular rate.

No woman could be employed more than nine hours a day or more than six hours a week.

In general, the proposal would comply with the Federal statute. It was designed to control interstate pay and hours.

Notice of any hearing provided for in the act would be published in one or more newspapers of statewide circulation.

The Governor, with the advice of the Commissioner of Labor, would appoint an advisory board of six members, two of whom would represent employers, two would represent employees, and two would represent the general public. Terms would be staggered.

Hearings would be held on applications to pay less money to learners, apprentices and individuals whose earning capacity is impaired physically or mentally, and for arrangements for the fact from.

The act would not apply to people employed in establishments which are subject to provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act.

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## Nations Get Notice

Treaty Revision Demanded By Italy

ROME—(AP)—Italy served notice today upon the 20 nations which wrote the Italian Peace Treaty that she felt entitled to a revision of the document, signed yesterday in Paris.

At the same time United States Ambassador James C. Dunn said his Government agreed with the Italian position that the treaty would not be binding until it was ratified by Italy's Constituent Assembly. He declined to discuss the treaty until the assembly had met.

In Trieste ten persons were arrested yesterday during a pro-Italian demonstration protesting the treaty, which, when ratified, would make Trieste free international territory.

In Pola, industrial center, near Trieste which will be turned over to Yugoslavia, British military authorities invoked a seven-hour curfew on the town today, saying it was an Italian woman described as a fascist spy who had been arrested.

An Italian Government note to the 20 nations which signed the treaty said, "We all look forward, as Italians and as world citizens, waiting for a revision of what might paralyze or poison the life of a people of 45,000,000 human beings living on what is already, cannot possibly nourish them."

Foreign Minister Carlo Spazzaoli today announced that he had later repeated it on special broadcasts to the United States, Britain and France, preferring it with an appeal to "friends of Italy" in all three countries.

## Currency Crisis Grips China

SHANGHAI—(AP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek was reported today to have announced that China's top economic adviser, Dr. H. H. Kung, had said the nation's financial crisis as the dollar-undated Chinese dollar plummeted to a new low.

Shanghai was a city of confusion today as the Chinese dollar fell for the third straight day. Prices soared in defiance of the government's currency crisis reached them.

In Nanking, a spokesman for the government declined to confirm the reported meeting of Chiang and his experts, saying he was not commenting on economic measures "because of the possibility of producing provocative effects which already are confusing situation."

## Stern Tells Guild Woes

WASHINGTON—(AP)—J. David Stern, founder of difficulties as a publisher with the American Newspaper Guild, said today that there would be no more domestic cuts in circulation of the paper. He said the paper would be effective for the next five hours daily, from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M. that is effective in the 38 counties.

The Minister of Fuel and Power, Lord Morrison, since was "served" five months in a Glasgow jail because of his "incompetence in high places and the progressive decline of our whole life."

The new cuts in circulation would not affect industries except blacked. The entire British Empire was in a state of emergency. Winston Churchill showed in Parliament the use of radar to guide warships to guide collars and barges through fog and ice, and the use of submarines to generate electric power for coastal towns.

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## Truman Plans St. Louis Talk

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman today tentatively accepted an invitation to address the South-Western Convention at St. Louis on "Mother's Day" May 11.

Dr. Louis D. Newton of Atlanta, president of the convention, extended the invitation at the White House.

## Actress Is Recovering

HOLLYWOOD—(AP)—Actress Olivia De Havilland was recovering today from the effects of intestinal poisoning. Her physician called her condition "not too serious" but said she would be "feeling pretty miserable" for several days.

## Robbers Invade Factory

TOKYO—(AP)—Fifty robbers riding ten trucks, one automobile and one tractor invaded a factory today and forced the watchman to surrender 4200 sacks of crude rubber valued at \$200,000 (yen \$42,000), police reported.

## W EATHER

Increasing clouds and warmer tonight. Wednesday, cloudy with showers. Friday, rain Wednesday.

Temperature at 3:30 today 55 High and low last 24 hours 55-35

Bureau tomorrow 55-35