

# Hopkins Named as Secretary of Commerce Today

### Head of the Works Progress Administration Is Promoted to a Cabinet Post.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (UP)—President Roosevelt today named WPA Administrator Harry L. Hopkins to be secretary of commerce, in a move interpreted in some quarters as a boost for relief expenditure toward the 1940 new deal democratic presidential nomination.

At the same time Mr. Roosevelt designated Colonel F. C. Harrington, West Point graduate, to be acting Works Progress administrator, and named Aubrey Williams, who has served as deputy administrator, to administrator of the National Youth Administration.

Mr. Roosevelt's order promoting Hopkins and shifting Williams swept from the big spending relief controls the two men who were most severely criticized for permitting alleged political activities during the 1938 general election.

Harrington, a regular army officer who has been serving as chief WPA engineer, was designated as the new relief chief. It was suggested that he would continue to draw army pay and would not require senate confirmation.

Presidential Secretary Stephen T. Early who disclosed the appointments, said that Aubrey Williams, deputy WPA administrator has been named administrator of the National Youth Administration and probably will retire from his WPA post.

Early said Hopkins will be sworn in as secretary of commerce tomorrow morning in the president's study at the White House.

Early emphasized that Harrington has been "designated" to head WPA. Harrington is an active army officer and thus is merely detailed from the army to this position. He will continue to draw his regular pay as an

army colonel rather than the \$10,000 salary of the WPA administratorship.

It was believed that Harrington's "designation" would not require senate confirmation. Hopkins, however, must be confirmed by the senate.

Hopkins will come into office only a few hours after the resignation of Roper becomes effective. The appointment of Hopkins leaves one vacancy in the president's cabinet to be filled—that caused by the resignation of Attorney General Cummings effective in January.

Early explained that Williams now is serving as executive director of NYA in addition to his WPA position. The administratorship to which he was named however, is expected to be a full time position. Early explained that the NYA will continue to be a part of the WPA as provided by the law and congressional appropriations.

Early said Hopkins' swearing-in ceremonies will be witnessed only by a few close friends. The White House explained that under the law Mr. Roosevelt may assign army and navy officers to posts in civilian branches of the government without interrupting their regular army status.

## JAP TROOP MOVEMENTS

PEIPING, Dec. 23 (UP)—A Japanese spokesman admitted today that large troop movements were in progress along the railroad which extends southward from Peiping to Hankow, and warned that newspaper correspondents might not be able to enjoy a Christmas holiday because of a big news break.

Foreign sources estimated that nearly 30,000 Japanese troops had moved down the railroad within the last two weeks.

A large proportion of cavalry among the troops was believed to mean that the Japanese were engaged in an important effort to break up the guerrilla bands in Shansi and Hopei provinces. These bands have harassed Japanese communications and wiped out isolated Japanese troop detachments since the outbreak of the war.

# President's Committee Turns in Its Report

### Large Number of Changes Recommended, Also Toll System for Commercial Use of Rivers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (UP)—President Roosevelt's special railroad committee today submitted to him a series of recommendations designed to re-habilitate the nation's ailing \$26,000,000,000 rail transport system. The advisors comprising both rail management and union heads declared the first step in rebuilding the carriers is "adoption of a definite national transportation policy based upon such principles of equalization as will provide a fair field for all and special favors for none of the various modes of transportation."

Proposals recommended by the committee included: Adoption of a national transportation policy providing a fair and impartial regulation of all competing forms of transportation. Centralization within the interstate commerce commission of general rate making and supervision powers over all forms of transportation.

Revision of present ICC rate making rules to apply to all forms of transportation. Repeal of the so-called long and short haul clause of the ICC act (this clause provides that railroads may not charge less for long freight hauls than the shipment of short freight hauls in the same direction).

Provide the ICC with power over interstate rates as well as interstate rates in connection with general rate adjustments.

Establishment of a new transportation board to conduct a general investigation of the nation's entire transport structure and submit legislative recommendations.

Establishment of a toll system for commercial use of certain inland waterways and elimination of government owned inland waterways corporations. Legislation to relieve railroads of unjust tax burdens and place the expense of grade crossing elimination upon the government.

Reimbursement by the government to railroads for reconstruction of bridge and rail facilities required in public flood control or similar projects.

Elimination of reduced railroad rates given to the federal government under the old land grant statutes.

## FOOTBALL RECEIPTS GOOD

LINCOLN, Dec. 23 (UP)—Despite the poorest season in many years, the "take" at the University of Nebraska football games was understood today to be virtually on a par with 1937, a banner financial year.

The net profit was estimated unofficially at \$135,000. The athletic department does not release official figures. Approximately \$23,000 was paid in federal taxes to the bureau of internal revenues, representing 10 per cent of the gross of the five home games of the 1938 season. This means that the Iowa State, Indiana, Missouri, Pittsburgh and Kansas State games drew about \$225,000 at the ticket windows. Revenues from these games was split down the middle with opponents while the Cornhuskers received half of the gate in the Minnesota, Oklahoma, Kansas games where the home school paid its own amusement tax. For the Iowa contest Nebraska took a \$5,000 guarantee instead of 50 per cent of the gate receipts.

## MUST REMIT RETURNS

LINCOLN, Dec. 23 (UP)—Employers subject to the unemployment compensation law must remit payroll taxes on 1938 employees' wages in full before January 31, 1939 to obtain full credit on federal excise tax returns, it was announced today.

Officials said bonuses, gifts and other special payments made to employees at Christmas time should be included in the fourth quarter report. The deadline for terminating coverage under the law for 1939 is January 5. This applies only to employers who have been subject to the act in 1938 without employing eight or more persons for 20 weeks during the calendar year.

## OBJECTS TO FOOD

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## TRUCK STRIKE STILL UNSETTLED

OMAHA, Dec. 23 (UP)—Following the union's refusal to answer what it termed to be a "disgraceful" open shop proposal made by the operators, no further immediate steps will be made to settle the 14 weeks old Nebraska truck strike, both sides to the controversy indicated today.

High officials of the union who had attempted to secure a settlement have returned to their homes. Operators indicated they will try to operate more trucks than they have been using in this section soon after the first of the year. Both sides seemed content with the situation. The union professes to have the big operators hemmed in on all sides as far as long hauls are concerned, after having signed closed shop agreements at Chicago, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Kansas City and Denver.

## COMPLETE RESCUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (UP)—The American freighter Schodack radioted today that it had completed a dangerous rescue in mountainous seas aboard the sinking Norwegian oil tanker Smarog.

The rescue, started at dawn 550 miles southeast of New York after a night long vigil at the stricken tanker's side, was completed by mid-morning, according to a message from the Schodack received by radio marine at the Chatham, Massachusetts station.

All hands including the captain were removed from the Smarog by lifeboats manned by members of the Schodack's crew.

## LABOR SHORTAGE IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Dec. 23 (UP)—The labor shortage in Germany has become so acute that in Berlin the police and labor authorities have made a pointed appeal to business men to check their staffs and see if young, healthy men are not doing some jobs which could be performed equally well by "other labor."

"Strong men with healthy bones" the appeal said "should not be wasted on work which could be given to women or could be done by the physically handicapped or the elderly."

## WOULD STOP RUM BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (UP)—Rep. Louis Ludlow, D., Ind., said today he would seek to outlaw the government's Virgin Island rum business on the opening day of congress. He plans to offer a resolution forcing the administration to dissolve its four-year old partnership with island rum makers and to prohibit further use of federal funds for manufacture or sale of the beverage.

## FREMONT PEOPLE MARRIED

From Friday's Daily—This noon at the parsonage of the First Christian church occurred the marriage of Roy Bowers and Miss Marcelene Malloy, both of Fremont. The marriage lines were read by the Rev. J. W. Taenzler, pastor of the church. The bridal couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bowers, the former twin brother of the groom and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Boies.

## GERMANY STARTS LOTTERY

BERLIN, Dec. 23 (UP)—The Nazi government today enacted a law establishing a national lottery to be started May 1, 1939. The lottery succeeds those operated by some states, including Prussia and Saxony.

## YOUR COURTESY IN PHONING NEWS TO NO. 6 IS APPRECIATED.

## NOTICE OF PROBATE

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska. To all persons interested in the estate of Edgar J. Burns, deceased. No. 3376: Take notice that a petition has been filed for the probate of an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, and for the appointment of Daisy Burns as executrix thereof; that said petition has been set for hearing before said Court on the 20th day of January, 1939 at 10 a. m. Dated December 23rd, 1938. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge. (Seal) d36-3tw

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska. To the creditors of the estate of Henry G. Soennichsen, deceased. No. 3370: Take notice that the time limited for the filing and presentation of claims against said estate is April 24th, 1939; that a hearing will be had at the County Court room in Plattsmouth on April 28th, 1939 at ten o'clock a. m. for the purpose of examining, hearing, allowing and adjusting all claims or objections duly filed. Dated December 23rd, 1938. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge. (Seal) d36-3tw

## NO SANTA AT TOKYO

TOKYO, Dec. 23 (UP)—Christmas trees and replicas of Santa Claus were banned in Tokyo store displays today. The ban, self-imposed, was devised so customers would not be tempted to spend money for gifts and would save their funds for government use, it was explained.

## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska. To all persons interested in the estate of Aradana Porter, deceased. No. 3372: Take notice that a petition has been filed praying for administration of said estate and appointment of Clyde Porter as Administrator; that said petition has been set for hearing before said Court on the 13th day of January 1939, at ten o'clock a. m. Dated December 16, 1938. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge. (Seal) d19-3w

## NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska. To all persons interested in the estate of John L. Smith, deceased. No. 3222: Take notice that the Executor of said estate has filed his final report and a petition for examination and allowance of his administration accounts, determination of heirship, assignment of residue of said estate and for his discharge; that said petition and report will be heard before said Court on January 13, 1939, at ten o'clock a. m. Dated December 13, 1938. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge. (Seal) d19-3w

## NOTICE

Whereas, Thomas Phillips, convicted in Cass county, on the 5th day of May, 1937, of the crime of Grand Larceny, has made application to the Board of Pardons for a Parole, and the Board of Pardons, pursuant to law have set the hour of 10:00 a. m. on the 11th day of January, 1939, for hearing on said application, all persons interested are hereby notified that they may appear at the State Penitentiary, at Lincoln, Nebraska, on said day and hour and show cause, if any there be, why said application should, or should not be granted.

HARRY R. SWANSON, Secretary, Board of Pardons. M. P. KRACHER, Chief State Probation Officer.

## Village of Murdock, Nebraska NOTICE OF ELECTION

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an ordinance duly enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Murdock, Nebraska, a special election has been called and will be held in said Village on the 6th day of January, 1939, at which election there will be submitted to the voters of said Village the following questions:

"First Question: Shall the Village of Murdock, Nebraska, erect on real estate now owned by said Village a building for auditorium and social and recreation purposes, and maintain, manage and operate the same for the benefit of the inhabitants of said Village?" YES:  NO:

"Second Question: Shall the Village of Murdock, Nebraska, borrow money and pledge the property of said Village upon its negotiable bonds of the principal amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for the purpose of erecting on real estate now owned by said Village a building for auditorium and social and recreation purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of said Village; said bonds shall become due and payable as follows: Five Hundred Dollars in three years from date of their issuance; Five Hundred Dollars in four years from date of their issuance; Five Hundred Dollars in five years from date of their issuance; Five Hundred Dollars in six years from date of their issuance; and Five Hundred Dollars in seven years from date of their issuance, and bear interest at the rate of not over four and one-half per centum (4 1/2%) per annum, payable one year semi-annually thereafter; and shall the Chairman and Board of Trustees of said Village cause to be levied annually a tax by valuation on all the taxable property in said Village, in addition to all other taxes, sufficient in amount to pay the interest on and the principal of said bonds as and when such interest and principal become due?" YES:  NO:

The voting place will be at the Modern Woodmen Hall and the polls will be open from 8 o'clock A. M. to 8 o'clock P. M. of said date.

Voters desiring to vote in favor of either question will mark an "X" in the square after the word "Yes" following said question, and voters desiring to vote against either question will mark an "X" in the square after the word "No" following said question. Voters should vote on both of said questions.

By order of the Chairman and Board of Trustees of said Village. HENRY A. TOOL, Village Clerk. d12-4w

## NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE

In the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska. City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff vs. Nels Steel, et al., Defendants

To the Defendants: Nels Steel and wife, Mrs. Nels Steel, first and real name unknown; Patrick Connolly and wife, Mrs. Patrick Connolly, first and real name unknown; The Vinyard Development Company; Lucille Vogler and husband, — Vogler, first and real name unknown; and Milford B. Bates and wife, — Bates, first and real name unknown, sole heirs at law of R. A. Bates, deceased; Verna Bertha Hatt; Ina Hatt South and husband, — South, first and real name unknown; Paul W. Hatt and wife, — Hatt, first and real name unknown; Ralph W. Hatt and wife, — Hatt, first and real name unknown; Sterling F. Hatt and wife, — Hatt, first and real name unknown; and Genevieve L. Hatt, sole heirs at law of Johnathan Hatt, deceased; Charles F. M. Guthman and wife, — Guthman, first and real name unknown; Henry Guthman and wife, — Guthman, first and real name unknown; Erick Anderson and wife, — Anderson, first and real name unknown; John R. Denson and wife, Mrs. John R. Denson, first and real name unknown; Minnie E. Parker and husband, — Parker, first and real name unknown; Elizabeth G. McKinney and husband, — McKinney, first and real name unknown; Julius E. Strohus and wife, — Strohus, first and real name unknown; Fred Jess and wife, Jess, first and real name unknown; the creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary E. Rhoden, deceased; the creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of George W. Rhoden, deceased; Grace M. Fullerton and husband, — Fullerton, first and real name unknown; William Guthman, Jr., and wife, Mrs. William Guthman, Jr., first and real name unknown; Edward Guthman and wife, Mrs. Edward Guthman, first and real name unknown; Ida Guthman; Louisa Guthman; Anna Good and husband, — Good, first and real name unknown; Mary Krocklow and husband, — Krocklow, first and real name unknown; Herma Lemm and husband, — Lemm, first and real name unknown; and Fredrick Lemm and wife, — Lemm, first and real name unknown, sole heirs at law of William Guthman, Sr., deceased; and all persons having or claiming any interest in, right or title to, or lien upon the following described real estate, to-wit: Commencing at a point 353.7 feet west of the southeast corner of the S. W. 1/4 of Sec. 18, Twp. 12, Range 14, east of the 6th P. M., running thence north 190 feet, thence east 73 feet to the place of beginning, the same being a part of Lots 27 and 28, of said Sec. 18, Twp. 12, Range 14, east of the 6th P. M., aforesaid, Cass county, Nebraska; Lot 74 of the S. W. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of Sec. 18, Twp. 12, Range 14, east of the 6th P. M., aforesaid, Cass county, Nebraska; Lot 9 and the West 1/2 of Lot 10, Block 9, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lot 12, Block 30, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; West 3/4 of Lot 4, Block 34, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; West 3/4 of Lot 2, Block 50, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lot 4, Block 11, Duke's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; West 1/2 of Lot 3, and all of Lot 4, Block 11, Duke's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 42, Young and Hayes Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, Block 4, Duke's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; West 1/2 of Lot 3 and all of Lot 4, Block 11, Duke's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lots 25 and 26, Block 9, Thompson's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; East 55 ft. of Lot 47, and all of Lots 48 and 49, of Wise's Outlots to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lot 1 of Streitweiser's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lot 12, Block 167, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lots 9 and 10, Block 152, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; West 3 ft. of Lot 4, and all of Lot 5, Block 18, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; North 69 ft. of Lot 12, Block 18, City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lot 2, and the Northeast 14 feet and 3 inches of Lot 3, Streitweiser's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 13, Townsend's Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

That all of the above real estate above described was subject to taxation for State, County, City, School District and Municipal purposes, for the several years set out in the petition of plaintiff and the exhibits thereto attached and by references made a part thereof; and that unless said taxes are paid by you, or any one of you, on said real estate, respectively, a decree will be entered in this court foreclosing and barring you and each of you of any and all claims upon, interest in, right or title to, or lien upon or equity of redemption in and to all of said real estate described herein; that the same, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to satisfy plaintiff's lien, together with interest and costs, shall be sold in accordance with law, and for such other and further relief in the premises as may seem just and equitable to the Court.

You and each of you are hereby notified that you are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 30th day of January, 1939, and failing to do so, your default will be entered and judgment taken as prayed for in plaintiff's petition.

CITY OF PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, a Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff.

J. A. CAPWELL, Plaintiff's Attorney. d5-4w

## SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Nebraska } ss. County of Cass } By virtue of an Order of Sale issued by C. E. Loggway, Clerk of the District Court within and for Cass County, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1939, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. of said day at the south front door of the court house in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, in said county, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following real estate, to-wit:

Lots 1-10-18-19-21-24-30 in the northwest quarter (NW 1/4) and Lot 27 and all that part of Lots 20 and 25 lying west of the public road in the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter (SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4) all in Section twenty-one (21), Township eleven (11), Range fourteen (14), East of the 6th P. M., containing 92 3/4 acres, more or less, according to the United States Government Survey thereof, in Cass county, Nebraska—The same being levied upon and taken as the property of Frank E. Valley, et al, Defendants, to satisfy a judgment of said Court recovered by The Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, a corporation, Plaintiff against said Defendants.

Plattsmouth, Nebraska, December 10, A. D. 1938. H. SYLVESTER, Sheriff Cass County, Nebraska. d12-5w

River navigation will open up a new industrial field in the smaller Nebraska river towns.

# Bible School Lesson Study!

Sunday, December 25th By L. Neitzel, Murdock, Neb.

## "God's Great Love"

Matt. 2:1-12.

The coming of the Son of God as man into the world, is not only the greatest event in history—but the sweetest story ever told. His advent was foretold centuries before; the world was prepared for his coming; there was an expectancy among the nations; heaven was in commotion; an angel escort was given him—but what a tragedy—"he came unto his own and his own received him not." But the Gentiles are the first to do him homage; and they are at the cross. Why is Bethlehem chosen as his birthplace? God had so ordered it, because Jesus ancestry lived there; Ruth and Boaz, Jessie and David and the tribe of Judah was selected. See Gen. 49:10; Hebrew 7:14; Rev. 5:5. Jesus is referred to as the son of David. Matthew gives us fourteen generations, while Luke goes back seventy-four generations. (Matt. 1; Luke 3).

Herod the King calls for some attention. An Idumean, not a Jew, but served under Rom as King, came to the throne B. C. 37, at the age of 25. This is Herod the great. He built the temple for the Jews; it was 46 years in building. This is to his credit. We have no room to describe his brutality, only this: He had forty-five members of the Sanhedrin put to death, also his wife Marienne, whom he passionately loved. There were in him two distinct individuals, as was the case in Nero. Two powers struggled for the mastery and the lower gained complete control, which is shown in the slaughter of about one hundred babies. In another part of the world a few men who are called "wise" or Magi, in their observation and study have come to the conclusion that some great event is taking place somewhere in the world. They were Orientals, learned in mathematics, astronomy, geography and medicine. They came a long journey. How many? How far? We do not know.

In a miraculous way they are led by a star—they call it "his star." Bringing the news to Jerusalem that a new king is born to the Jews, their errand is to worship him. Consternation seizes Herod; jealousy and fear take his soul; Jerusalem feared a new outbreak of his brutality and his hypocritical nature finds vent in saying: "Find him and report back to me, so I can go and worship him." Now he gathers all

the chief people together, those that remained, when the others were murdered; sure enough they tell Herod that Bethlehem is the place. But, knowing the scriptures, they do not go to find out the truth about the new king. So many people know the scriptures, teach and preach them and never come in vital contact with the Christ.

The shepherds say: "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see." Jesus said to Andrew and John, "Come and see." Philip said unto Nathaniel, "Come and see." Had these scribes gone and investigated, they might have found the Messiah, and the history of the Jews might be different from what it is today.

The wise men are god-fearing men, they had not promised they would return; God leads them and directs their going. The star is still there—they follow the lead and find the Christ. What a joy is theirs, in beholding God's visible sign. So will God guide his children if they walk in his way; there will be no dark valley, and if it were, then the wanderer will feel the guiding hand of God.

The wise men find the child in a home, it is now about one year old, and can undertake the journey into Egypt; they only need money for the trip, and that is provided.

The wise men recognize the King, and do him homage in falling on their faces, worshipping and sacrificing, giving kingly gifts (the beginning of Christmas gifts). "God so loved that he gave his only Son, a redeemer to the world." The gifts of the wise men were very precious, the best they had; so should we give of our best to the master, our talents, mind, soul, spirit—our all should be on the altar, waiting for the fire to be consumed in the service of the King.

Herod, the murderer, died within a few months after this story—but Jesus, whom he would kill, is living on in millions of his followers. He came in poverty, but he will come again "in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory"—for the judgment.

"Praise him! Praise him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer! Sing, O Earth, His wonderful love proclaim! Hail him! Hail him! Highest arch-angels in glory; Strength and honor give to His holy name."

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