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Nancy Carroll **Bolton Malloy**
Red-headed Nancy Carroll, popular screen actress, left, is reported headed for Reno to seek a divorce from Bolton Malloy, magazine publisher, right, whom she married in January, 1931. The couple have been separated for a year and a half.

COMEBACK FROM DISASTROUS 1934 DROUTH RECORDED

Thousands of Families Return to Self Sus- taining Basis

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—A remarkable come-back from 1934's disastrous drouth was reported today by the AAA. Officials said the nation practically has recovered from the calamity.

A year ago today headlines were telling of scorched plains, damaged crops, government purchase of cattle to prevent them from starving. Now conditions are much better.

Thousands of families who depended on government relief for necessities of life have returned to a self-sustaining basis, officials said. In addition the resettlement administration reports that 290,155 farm families have been taken off the relief rolls to be placed in the rural rehabilitation classification.

However, the rural problem is not solved. For example, the resettlement administration officials reported a total of 825,000 rural families still on relief rolls.

Dog Racing Permit Granted Illegally

Little Rock, July 23.—(AP)—The state racing commission was advised by Attorney General Carl E. Bailey Monday that its original action in granting a permit for operation of a dog racing plant near Little Rock was contrary to the state law.

The attorney general said present action of drawings and plans for a greyhound track did not empower the commission to issue a permit as the state law requires that the plant must be erected and inspected by the commission before the permit is granted.

The commission revoked its action in granting the permit recently to the Millwood amusement corporation after business interests, civic organizations and church leaders of Little Rock protested.

WILL COMPLETE DAM THIS WEEK

Woolly Hollow Project Near Completion

Resumption of labor with a fairly large force of WPA workers will bring about the completion by the end of this week of the main dam in the Woolly Hollow area if weather permits, Regional Director Fred C. Newport of the soil conservation service said today.

Most of the work had been suspended for some time during the recent shift in the government relief organization. Approximately 100 men are now on the job, supervised by seven staff men from SCS offices, Mr. Newport said. Capt. Ralph Sturgeon is the chief engineer in charge of construction.

Water now stands within about five feet of the top of the 40-foot dam and covers an area of approximately 35 acres. Already many persons in the area have enjoyed boating and swimming in the lake.

Construction of check dams in the 4,000-acre drainage area of the artificial lake will continue for some time after the completion of the dam, as will the work of vegetating the area. "The main purpose of the project," Mr. Newport said, "is to demonstrate how soil erosion may be checked to prevent the filling up of impounded water with deposits of silt. When the check dams are constructed and whole drainage area of the lake is well sodded it is expected the water will be clear when it runs into the lake, even after hard rains, thus proving that the washing of soil and silt into such water supplies can be prevented."

SCS PAYROLLS HERE \$238,000

Regional Offices Dis- burse Big Sum

Out of a total expenditure of approximately \$350,000 the regional office of the soil conservation service at Conway has expended its establishment here \$238,706.74 for field and supervisory employes, Regional Director Fred C. Newport said today.

Distinguished Attorney Succumbs At Lit- tle Rock

Unable on account of depleted physical condition to rally from a major surgical operation which he underwent Monday morning, George W. Clark of Conway, aged 64, distinguished Arkansas attorney and jurist, died at St. Vincent's infirmary, Little Rock, at 9:05 o'clock this morning.

Judge Clark had been in failing health for several months and was taken to the Little Rock hospital on July 14 for treatment. An operation was found to be necessary and in the hope of bulking up his condition for it blood transfusions were administered during the past week. His condition was grave from the beginning and it was realized that his chances of surviving were not the best.

The body was brought to Conway this morning by Doolin's funeral home.

Funeral services will be held at the Clark home, 605 Ash street, Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. They will be conducted by Rev. Charles M. Campbell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. William Sherman, presiding elder of the Conway district of the Methodist church, south. Burial will be in Oak Grove cemetery. Pall-bearers were announced as follows:

Active—John Lyon, Dr. J. H. Flanagan, J. H. Glenn, George Shaw, Jr., Gus Allison and Tom Wofford.

Honorary—All members of the bar in Faulkner county, all county officials and the following: George Ethridge, Dr. J. Z. Bailey, H. B. Ingram, Frank E. Robins, Dr. I. N. McCollum, S. G. Smith, Dr. G. L. Henderson, Dr. J. S. Westerfield, Julian Little, D. O. Horton, Jr., E. V. Leverett and Dr. C. H. Dickerson.

George W. Clark was born March 21, 1871, near Austin, Lonoke county, Ark. His father, a Confederate veteran of the same name, died in 1872 and following the death of his mother in 1876 he was brought to Faulkner county, where he resided the remainder of his life. After attending public schools and Thorpe academy he studied law in the offices of local attorneys and was admitted to the bar in 1892, while living at Greenbrier. In 1898 he was elected to represent Faulkner county in the legislature, a position he was again called upon to fill in 1928, when he was nominated and elected without opposition. He served as prosecuting attorney of the Seventeenth judicial district from 1908 until 1912 and won a statewide reputation for the vigor with which he enforced the laws. In 1918 he was elected judge of the same judicial circuit and served two four-year terms in that capacity and his rank as a jurist was so outstanding that he was repeatedly urged to become a candidate for governor. At one time he consented to make this race, but failing health caused him later to decline to run. Since his retirement from the bench in 1928 he has engaged in the practice of law at Conway.

Judge Clark was married in 1903 to Olive Landers, who survives him. They were the parents of four children, of whom two, Mrs. Wilma H. Slane and Hugh D. Clark, both of High Point, N. C., survive. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. T. M. Moore of Conway, and eight grandchildren, Billie Clark Davies and Marcelle Clark of Conway, W. H. Slane, Jr., Meredith Clark Slane and Jack Slane and Hugh D. Clark, Jr., Carolyn Clark and Betty Lou Clark of High

the slaying of B. F. Mitchell, 77-year old recluse near Newport, in Me 1934, pleaded his innocence today a said he would "believe I'm going die in the chair when they put me it."

Nelson and his attorneys, C. O. Rley of Corning and H. S. Grant Newport, appeared at Governor Fretell's office that his sentence committed to life imprisonment.

Clemency was opposed by Special Prosecutor Fred Pickens.

HUGE BLAZE A WHISKEY PLAN UNDER CONTROL

Hiram Walker's Peori Distillery Suffers Heavy Loss

Peoria, Ill., July 23.—(AP)—Fire which swept the huge \$6,500,000 Hiram Walker distillery following a terrific explosion, was brought under control today after causing damage estimated at \$2,700,000.

Twelve men were injured in the blaze and searchers were seeking the body of John Barton, an employe missing since the blast in the back house where he was working.

Another worker, William Hulabe was found after being reported missing earlier. It was reported he had narrowly escaped being buried by falling debris and had crawled to safety through a hole in the fence.

Six million gallons of whiskey were set afire, sending greenish yellow flames high into the sky. The flaming whiskey enveloped the plant in an eerie light as firemen fought to stop the spreading blaze.

The force of the explosion was felt throughout the city.

SENATE PASSES NEW AAA BILL

Ends Two Weeks of Fu- rious Debate

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—Carrying a limited ban against suits to recover processing taxes and a provision intended to validate existing crop control contracts, the administration AAA bill was passed by the senate today, after two weeks of furious debate.

Mercury Reaches 102, Year's Highest, Here

Rising to 102 degrees Monday afternoon the government thermometer at Conway reached the year's highest mark. The previous maximum was 100 degrees recorded on July 7. A thunderstorm early last night brought relief and the night was comfortable for sleeping, although only a trace of rainfall was recorded.

Data for 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:

Maximum temperature, 102
Minimum temperature, 70
Temperature at 7 a. m., 76
Direction of wind, southeast
State of weather, partly cloudy