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 herogenous bureaucrats who are charged with the job of restoring prosperity to a depressed nation. For a few minutes I said nothing to James and Johnson on the Tuesday morning, while I was formulating a plan that came to my mind—a plan that I felt would, somehow or other, reveal certain positions of federal officials, dead as either alive or dead. And so

I reached for the telephone, calling Fred Gardner, city editor of The Detroit News. "Fred, I've got a story here that offers to become Exhibit A as to why so few banks in Michigan are so open," I hastily told him. "On coming right down town to tell you more of the details of the meaning, will you please also be ready to go with me to R. F. C. headquarters in Detroit, where the story will either make or break?" Gardner promised either Steinlager or Carl B. Rudow. It was the latter who, an hour later, accompanied Johnson and myself into the private office of Mr. Fisher, chief assistant to the director for the Detroit and Michigan areas. "The really ruse of the show here, as chap named Hicks, president of the Michigan Bankers' Association, is apparently a manager in name only." After Johnson had introduced us all to the latter, he also alluded to himself of his feelings toward the 11th hour throwing of flies into the statement of depositor relief. "For Birmingham, I made this brief and extremely understandable statement to chief Mr. Fisher: "We are here, Sir, to assist you with the fact that a big story is in the making, and that you and the whole R. F. C. have it before you. We believe, because our Birmingham bank is supposed to open Thursday with R. F. C. help, and since your office only last night erected some more barriers, that we believe in Exhibit A as to why so few Michigan banks are getting monetary help from Uncle Sam. The folks from Birmingham who seek to get the new bank started have complied with all requests that the government has made of them. They have, with government knowledge, announced Thursday as the opening date. Mr. Fisher, they are tired and discouraged with the whole situation. No longer do they assume responsibility for the delay in their opening. It is the Birmingham National Bank. We have about a day and a half left Thursday morning. For now, Sir, we are in YOUR hands and observing reporters are here to ask the story!"

Mr. Fisher proved to be a capable and cooperative official from this on. The reasons for this I discovered later. They were not because he was desirous in either his attention or efforts to bring R. F. C. aid to the Birmingham bank. They were almost entirely because of this one fact: the federal government depends upon these agencies to help banks, first, the Comptroller of Currency, second, the R. F. C., and third, the Federal Reserve System. Tangled and intertwined as they are, and with their interlocking jurisdiction plus the barriers of bureaucratic terminology, plus the quite natural impediments that are bound to be created in so large an

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YOUTH SPEAKS AT WORLD CONGRESS



Top, Laura Louise Smith; below, left, Jeannette Shambaugh; right, Margaret Ruth.

Youth will have a chance to have its say at the international congress of the National Council of Women, July 16-21, in Chicago. A youth forum is to be held on the morning of July 20, with speakers from various colleges. Naasam, Welleley, Smith, Rad-

cliff, Antioch, Connecticut and Chicago and Northwestern universities. Jeannette Shambaugh, chairman of the board of hall presidents of Radcliffe, will be one of those present, also Laura Louise Smith and Margaret Ruth of Northwestern at Evanston, Ill.

undertaking was a governmental Bank. What was done in this case could, with proper direction from some single responsible federal source, be accomplished in dozens of other communities whose banks are yet closed. 456 whose operations are becoming radical toward bureaucratic red tape and inter-departmental inefficiency and logrolling. I am relating it here in the hope that it may clarify the situation a bit, and perhaps assist in a small way to help some other group of deserving citizens, including a lot of you—many, but reclaimed and respected government subordinates and high-ups whose activities are despised and often thwarted by utter foolishness and aimlessness.

That's all there is, of importance, about this brief but effective 11th-hour episode attending the birth of the Birmingham National

STARS OF RADIOLAND



Connie Boswell

This picture of Connie Boswell and the "Chorus" (the only 16 months old) was made just before the young lady sailed for Europe with the other two Bowles sisters, and the Great Dan. They began to resume their "hitchhiking" tour early this fall.

William J. Brown

Noted at his desk as a member of the New York state banking commission is William J. Brown, of Bowdoin College, Me., who succeeds the late William Muldoon as the third member of the body. Other commissioners are the General John J. Phelan and D. Walker Wear.



Mrs. Lorna Velle and George Hearst.

Gov. James Ralph of California was invited to give the bride away at the fashionable wedding of Mrs. Lorna Velle of Bremerton, Wash., and George Hearst, eldest son of the noted newspaper pub-

lisher, at the Hearst mansion, San Simeon, Cal., recently. An escort cut young Hearst is in charge of all radio developments and programs of the Hearst newspapers and affiliated stations.

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Weds Young Davis



Elysa Ames, daughter of Prof. E. W. Ames, returned to the United States was the wedding of his son, John Paschall Ames, and Miss Elysa Ames, abroad at Boston, July 1. The bride of young Davis is the daughter of Professor E. W. Ames of Harvard.

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Nautical for Sports



By MME. LISBETH
 Loretta Young, young screen actress, looks very refreshing in her white flannel shirt, red and white striped Breton jersey, and double-breasted navy jacket with the jaunty belt and brass buttons. A white panama hat accompanies the suit.

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