You can't expect much of the spokesman who won't put his own

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# STATE SALES TAX FIGHT NOW LOOMING

Congressional Authority for National Plan Will be Asked

# TO NAME CABINET BY 3RD OF MARCH

WARM SPRINGS, Ga., Feb. 3. (P). - President-elect Rooserelt, elated at expressions of apgroval from all parts of the counon the Tennessee River valley, is anxious to secure definite congresional approval in order that the plan might be started soon, and is feasibility established so that could be duplicated in other parts of the country.

#### By FREDERICK A. STORM United Press Staff Correspondent

(UP) .- President-elect Roosevelt follow a precedent estabseled by Woodrow Wilson and anounce his cabinet 24 hours before he takes the oath of office. He revealed his intentions last night to the newspapermen who ought from him an expression on the probable line-up of the official

The names will be made pubbefore I go to Washington ther the evening of March 2 or morning of March 3," he said. That means, it was explained, announcement will come from his New York City home to which he will return after a 10-day ruise through tropic seas or oard Vincent Astor's yacht, the Nourmanal. He will leave tonight for Florida, where he will embark on the cruise.

Manwhile, the president-elect regard to meet with Judge Robert W. Bingham, Louisville, Ky., mblisher, who is coming to Warm brings tomorrow. Bingham is exected to be invited to accept the mbassadorship to France, a post which he has been prominentmentioned in the past two and half months.

Another man whose name has igured in the unofficial ambassaorial discussion, Robert Dunham f Chicago, was here yesterday and conferred with Mr. Roosevelt n the seclusion of the "little white house." Although the latter dung steadfastly to his policy of silence regarding appointments the opinion among his friends was that the visitor would be asked to take a diplomatic post, probably

Mr. Roosevelt laughingly refused to be drawn into a discusmon concerning the purpose stay yesterday after a second and brief conference.

"Oh, we just talked economics," Mr. Roosevelt remarked. Nevertheless, the conviction is growing in sources close to the resident-elect that Hull will be he next secretary of state. The ennessean is a warm friend and as frequently been called upon give advice in national affairs. Once at sea, the president-elect eclared in connection with his lorida trip he would settle back the work of studying a list of ames of persons recommended or appointments to various fedral commissions, and which must e made by March 4th if those

tencies are to continue to func-

on without interruntion. "When I get on the boat I will y to arrive at something and en, upon my return, I will get a touch with the people I have feelded upon," he explained. It was indicated that the apointments would concern the ome Loan bank, the Federal rade commission and the Recon-Ruction Finance corporation. Swinging into other topics, the resident-elect expressed gratificaon over the first reaction to his proposal for a gigantic development project in the Tennessee liver basin which calls for reforestation, the harnessing of addiional water power facilities the abandonment of unproductive arms for richer bottom lands hat would be made available, and ood control.

Under this ambitious program, Ir. Roosevelt believes work could provided for 60,000 to 75,000 men immediately, and that even-ually 200,000 would be em-

He will ask congress for the uthority to go ahead in making he experiment which he characerized as "the greatest in his-

"If this program of national lanning works in the five states Tennessee basin it can be made successful in other watersheds of the country," he said.
At the same time he expressed he opinion that such a developlent would not increase agriculLeaves Second Wife and Daughter to Return Home After **Memory Lapse of 22 Years** 



To Kill Corporation

Commission

RALEIGH, Feb. 3 .- (UP) .-

rector of personnel and transfer

tion commission, and to re-refer

it to the joint reorganization com-

nittee for further consideration.

Representing a cut of \$2,072,-420 as compared to the estimated

expenses for the state supported

six months school term, the joint

appropriations committee of the

general assembly yesterday voted its approval of the budget com-

mission's recommendation of \$13,-

375,000 yearly for this purpose

CANADIANS DEPORT

MONTREAL, Feb. 3. (UP)

Reporters saw Veregin brief-

ly as he changed trains, but

there was little time to ask

issia" he was asked. "Hell, no!" was his answer.

"Do you want to go back to

Veregin is being deported fol-

owing his conviction on charges

of perjury. He claims that he has twice been sentenced to

death in Russia, but that he was

granted his freedom provided he

eft the Soviet Union forever.

WAR DEBT REVISION

RUMANIA ASKS FOR

Minister Charles A.

DOUKHOBOR CHIEF,

for the next biennium.

joint committee.

Russia"

April 1.

### HOUSE VOTES SENATE BILL TO ABOLISH THE OFFICE OF N. C. DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL

#### MARINE ACCOSTED BY A JAP SENTRY

PEIPING, Feb. 3-(UP)-Col. forces here, today investigated at the request of American officials the incident in which a Japanese sentry blocked the passage of an American Marine officer and threatened him with a bayonet.

PEIPING, Feb. 3. (UP)-Col. L. M. Gulick, of the United States marine guard stationed here, decided today to make informal representation to the commandant of the Japanese guard concerning an incident involving an American marine officer and a Japanese sentry.

The incident occurred when the visit of Senator Cordell Hull | Lieut. Robert L. Skidmore, of of Tennessee who concluded his Indianapolis, Ind., was accosted by the Japanese sentry when the American was passing the Japanese barracks.

Colonel Gulick, after studying Skidmore's report of the inci-dent, decided that it did not warrant diplomatic correspondence and that no formal representation would be made. indicated, however, that he would take it up with the Japanese colonel in charge.

Skidmore reported that a Jap-anese sentry blocked his way as he was proceeding along a public sidewalk in front of the Japanese barracks and thrust a bayonet close to his body, which he knocked aside.

#### NAVY PILOT KILLED; PARACHUTIST SAVED

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 3. (UP)—C. E. Walwork, navy pilot, was killed yesterday when the scout seaplane he was flying dived into the ocean and was questions. demolished.

Junior Lieutenant Frank M. Nichols escaped by leaping with a parachute. He was picked up by native sampans.

#### ARGENTINE FACES STRIKE BY FARMERS

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, 3—(UP)—Argentina was threatened today with a nationwide farmers strike demanding lower rents, easier credits, and other measures to relieve their hardships.

### AVOID INFLUENZA

LONDON. Feb. 3. (UP)-The appeal will be referred to Presiseriousness of the current influ- dent-elect Roosevelt. enza epidemic caused King George and Queen Mary to post- presented his government's ap- \$124,200,000 or more than 70 per pone their return to London peal to Undersecretary of State from Sandringham, scheduled for Castle. The department official three large chunks. Los Angeles Monday, it was learned last was not prepared to answer him,

it was stated, but their physici- given the state department by Meantime, the appropriation of ans advised them to remain at Mr. Roosevelt applied only to \$150,000,000 more for unemploy-Sandringham to avoid the risk Great Britain, Czechoslovakia, ment relief was recommended to of infection. of infection, research of light, Lithmania and Latvia.

# Army's Advisory Board to Meet NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 3 (UP) of the 18th amend the navy's new crusier Indianapo- failed in the house.

Senate Rescinds Action

A meeting of the Salvation night. the duties and functions of that Gearing of Asheville, will be pres- functions. office of the personnel department to the budget bureau, effective on cerning the Salvation Army in cerning the Salvation Army in the guns during practice rocked thendersonville will be discussed, the crusier so violently that a By acclamation, the state sen- it has been asked that all members ate in two votes decided today to of the Advisory Board be present. reconsider the bill it killed yester- This meeting was postponed from day-to abolish the state corpora- Monday night.

### **Escaped Convict** Rising to Honor Is Given Pardon

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 3 Under this appropriation, fur-ther salary slashes of 15 per cent (UP)-Glenn Smeeman, escaped convict who achieved success and for teachers, 25 per cent for suhonor only to be exposed after 15 perintendents and 22 per cent for years, yesterday received a Missupervisors is anticipated by the souri pardon, wiping out the last mark of his criminal past,

"I see no good purpose in put ting you back in prison", said Governor Guy B. Park, the new Democratic governor of Missburi, after hearing the Cleveland music dealer's case.
Governor Park pardoned Smee-

Peter Veregin, leader of the Doukhobor sect in Canada, pass-ed through Montreal late yesterday bound for Halifax and deto Soviet Russia, where he claims he is under sen-tence of death.

man for his flight 17 years ago while under appeal bond after beon on an automobile theft charge.

## By Farm Relief and Beer For Session Private Relief From The Insurance And Mortgage

On At This Time

By THOMAS L. STOKES

'Lame Ducks' Put

### Philippines Will Send Mission to **Protest Measure**

MANILO, P. I., Feb. 3 .-- (UP) The Philippine legislature, in a caucas today authorized Representative Francisco Varona, house majority floor leader, to accompany Manuel Quezon, senate presi- definitely shelved by leaders of dent, to the United States on an this last "lame duck" congress deindependence mission.

The two political leaders hoped in the middle west and the clamor confer with President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt. Quezon, disappointed in the independence bill adopted by the United States Congress, intended to explore possibilities of a proposal more favorable to the islands.

Indianapolis Must Have or extend debts. Repairs and Adjust-

lis, scheduled to leave immediate-Be Here Tonight

| Construction of the West Coast, included by the land of returning to Philadelphia gallon federal gasoline tax for another year, already approved by adjustments, it was learned to| Construction of the one cent a gallon federal gasoline tax for another year, already approved by adjustments, it was learned to| Construction of the one cent a gallon federal gasoline tax for another year, already approved by the house. | Funeral services will be held to be the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the house. | Funeral services will be held to be the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the held to be the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the held to be the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the construction of the one cent a following an illness of two years, already approved by the construction of the one cent and the construction of the one cent and the construction of the c

held this evening at 8 o'clock in by authorative sources that the relief plan sponsored by Roosevelt Methodist hurch, of which he the sun parlor of the Skyland Hotel, it was anonunced this morn-The house today passed the senate ing. Adjutant W. W. Bouterse, of inch guns which must be replaced bill to abolish the office of the di- Charlotte, and Captain W. P. before the ship assumes its regular

It was said that explosions of gigantic searchlight was broken and the entire vessel suffered from repercussions.

# **CHINESE REDS CAPTURE CITY**

Murder Of All Christians justments directly.

Banking committees of both Threatened: Missionaries Leave Posts

LONDON, Feb. 3.—(UP).-An army of 60,000 Communists captured the town of Paoning Sze Chwan province and threatened to murder all Christians, the Daily Express correspondent at Shanghai reported today. Missionaries left their posts and the government sent troops to oust the Reds.

### BUSHMAN WINS SUIT

LONDON, Ont., Feb. 3. (UP)

A jury which deliberated nine hours and 30 minutes last night ing sentenced to two years in pris- appraised Francis X. Bushman's

### CALIFORNIA GETS 70 PCT. OF RECONSTRUCTION FUNDS; WILL HELP OTHER STATES

By RAYMOND CLAPPER

Despite threatening talk of further investigations in congress, propriation. the Reconstruction Finance Corporation pressed forward vesterday in pursuance of the gigantic government relief effort authorized just one year ago.

California, the home state of President Hoover, made its third WASHINGTON, Feb. 3. (UP)

Rumania applied to the United States yesteday for revision of its \$44,590,000 war debt. The large and successful tug at the purse strings of the R. F. C. A loan of \$22,800,000 to Los Angeyesterday. This made California the leading beneficiary of the self-liquidating loans authorized, cent, has gone to California in received \$40,000,000 for its aqueight.

Both were in excellent health, sions to Washington, recently ed \$61,400,000 for its bay bridge.

Miller, president of the R. F. C. United Press Staff Correspondent He intimated Illinois was within WASHINGTON, Feb. 3. (UP). six weeks of exhausting its \$45,-000 share of the earlier relief ap-

rency committee by Rep. Fish, Repn., N. Y., who urged investigation of some companies which have failed after receiving R. F. C. money.

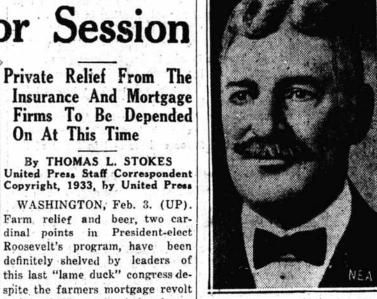
leans, chairman of the advisory committee of the R. F. C.

President Miller of the corporation at the same time was busy at the senate and on Capitol Hill defending before to the senate

A warning note was sounded before the house banking and cur-

"There is some crookedness going on." Fish told the committee. Later he intimated he would seek inquiry into a Louisiana case. He also said he intended to urge removal of R. S. Hecht of New Or-

banking and currency committee Nine women patients were burned a decision from Governor McAlisthe \$90,000,000 loan to the bank to death today when they ran of Charles G. Dawes who had re- frenziedly into a burning cottage for their extradition. The decissigned as president of the R. F. C. at Ridegeloff Sanatarium for in- ion probably will be made Monjust before the loan was made, sane, after attendants had led day. The hearing yesterday lasted



of their city brethren for nickel. Kansas City, Mo., banker and real estate man, is believed to be the An investigation yesterday by first murder victim in the midthe United Press revealed the west's war on foreclosures. Marr plea of farmers for special emerwas found in a highway ditch gency legislation to ease the bur- near Fort Scott, Kan. A few hours ien of pressing mortgage pay- earlier he had visited a Kansas ments is doomed to go unheeded at the present session which ends farm to foreclose a mortgage.

Resident Will Be Satur-

day Afternoon

BREVARD, Feb. 3. (Special)

home Thursday morning at 11:30

A native of Alabama, Mr.

CHOSEN HEAD OF

LONDON, Feb. 3-(UP)-The

tee of five cabinet members, head-

Other members of the commit-

Neville Chamberlaine, chancel-

Stanley Baldwin, lord president

Sir John Simon, foreign secre-

The committee was charged with

completing negotiations with the

United States for discussion of war

debts and was made jointly respon-

Baldwin's appointment caused

win settlement is still the subject

It was announced MacDonald

would accept the chairman ship of

the conference is held in London.

the world economic conference if

conference program prepared by

experts in Geneva, but has no in-

tention of calling the conference

until the war debts question is settled. It was expected the con-

ference would not meet before

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 3-

(UP)—Still in unexplained seclusion, Col. Luke Lea and son await-

ed somewhere in Tennessee today

ter on North Carolina's demand

LEA CASE MONDAY

mid-summer at the earliest.

The government approved the

ponents.

DEBT COMMITTEE

Presbyterian church

vard.

Senate leaders however, plan put through the sweeping bankruptcy act revision approved by the house, which will afford some relief to farmers, as, well as other individuals and corporations by permitting agreements, subject to court sanction, to scale down Funeral For Well Known

This bill is one point of the congressional program agreed upon by leaders, which has these other objectives:

1-A senate vote upon repeal NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 3 (UP) --- of the 18th amendment, which 2-Passage of appropriation

Visiting Salvationists Will battle fleet of the West Coast, in-

leaders will fail. Leaders also privately have shelved the beer bill.

Certain vetoes by President

Hoover face both beer and domes-

Leaders expressed serious doubt yesterday that all appropriation bills would be passed at this ses-

Inflationary proposals of all sorts, including remonetization of silver, will get nowhere between

Agitation for emergency legis-lation for a mortarium and a re-adjustment of forms data and Garland Garland adjustment of farm debts continued in congress today, reflecting the orderly, but effective revolt of farmers which has induced BRITISH PREMIER insurance companies to make ad-

house and senate now are considering numerous bills, but none is slated for approval. The direct. action of insurance companies and banks in extending relief has tem- British cabinet today entrusted nepered somewhat the ardor of con- gotiations with the United States gressional champions of this form | for war debt revision to a commit-Speaker John N. Garner said

ed by Prime Minister J. Ramsay vesterday there are no plans for MacDonald. house action at this session on farm mortgage measures.
Assistant Senate Republican

Leader Charles L. McNary de- lor of the exchequer. clared he plans to bring up the 18th amendment repeal resolution of the council who negiotated the after two pending appropriation present debt funding agreement bills are disposed of. It will be with America set aside as appropriation bills are brought forward.

There is only the remotest possibility that the present congress the board of trade. will submit the 18th amendment repealer to the states. Garner has said emphatically he will entertain only an outright repeal resolution, such as that defeated by sible for advising the government only six votes in the house on the opening day. The senate resoluof the negotiations. ion carries restrictions against considerable surprise as the Baldthe saloon and protection for dry states. It is by no means certain of severe criticism by political opthe measure will get through the senate at this session.

Both wets and drys are insisting that repeal precede beer in the senate, the former because they fear beer legalization will hurt repeal, the latter because they do not want the law modified and meanwhile can conduct their campaign against repeal in the

### Nine Women Are Burned to Death WILL ACT UPON

### Insane Patients Had Been Led to Safety

WICLIFFE, Ohio, Feb. 3. (UP) (Continued on page five) them to safety.

### Forecloser Is **Found Slain**

### Whole Tax Program As Tentatively Agreed On Is Scrapped MAY BE EXTENDED TO ALL INCOMES

By J. C. BASKERVILL
The Times-News Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel

RALEIGH, Feb. 3 .- The tentative revenue bill recommended by the Budget Commission has been scrapped by the joint fi-nance committees and a new bill will be drawn before a joint sub-committee. It is expected that the new bill will contain a provision for a general sales tax of 3 per cent on all retail sales, estimated to yield approximately \$12,500,000. The belief is also growing that the general assembly will be here at least until April 1 before it will be able to agree upon and enact a revenue

The sub-committee appointed to write the new revenue bill which is expected to contain a of Senator Rankin, Gastonia, chairman of the Senate Finance ommittee and Senators Waynick of High Point; McLean of Wash-ington and Aiken of Hickory; Chairman Doughton, of Alleghany of the house finance committee and Representative's Cherry of Gaston, Moss of Nash, Coffey of Caldwell, Flannagan of Pitt and 'Gattis of Orange. All the members of this joint committee are regarded as being more or less committed to the helief that a general sales tax is the only way to provide enough -Frank P. Sledge, 62, died at revenue to operate the state even on a minimum basis and following an illness of two years, death being due to heart trouble.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon, hour to be sales tax in 1931, have virtuso-called domestic allotment farm announced later, at the Brevard ally come to the place where they are willing to accept one

has been a leader for years, the Rev. J. H. West, pastor and the Rev. R. L. Alexander, pastor assembly is expected to center Interment will be in Oak Grove shall be 3 per cent on gress re-Methodist cemetery, North Bre- tail sales, as is expected to be proposed, or 2 per cent, whether a still smaller sales tax Sledge has been a resident of shall be spread out over manu-one daughter, Mrs. Roy Kanipe, are that the fight eventually will simmer down to a contest between the 3 per cent rate on gross retail sales and 2 per cent. It is already apparent that the manufacturing and industrial interests are either too powerful or presented such a good case for themselves in their hearings before the joint finance commit-tees, to warrant serious consideration of any form of a production tax along the lines contained in the bill introduced by Seu-

ator Clement of Salisbury.

It is also apparent that the industrial sections are going to favor the 3 per cent sales tax, in the hope that if \$12,500,000 can be obtained from this source that the high brackets in the 1931 Revenue Act can be lower. ed and franchise, income and other corporate taxes reduced by to the levels of the 1929 Revenue Rct. This would give many of the corporations large reductions, since the 1931 Revenue Act increased the franchise, corporation income and other Walter Runciman, president of corporate taxes all the way from 50 to 200 per cent above the 1929 schedules. In other words if it is found possible to get as much as \$12,500,000 from a 3 per cent general sales tax, the industrial interests are going to try to get at least \$5,500,000 of this amount applied so as to relieve them of that amount.

This procedure will be bitterly (Continued on page five)



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