

## M'LEAN ASKS STATE-SUPPORTED 8-MONTHS SCHOOL

### Committee Agrees On Relief Program Of Billion Dollars

Senate Manufactures Committee Authorizes Report to Senate Without Record Vote

#### EMBODIES IDEA OF PRESIDENT-ELECT

LaFollette and Cutting Have Just Returned From Warm Springs, Ga., Where Then Conferred With Roosevelt; Half Would Be Sent Into the Senate

Washington, Jan. 25.—(AP)—A general relief program, understood by its sponsors to carry out suggestions of President-elect Roosevelt, was agreed upon today by the Senate Manufacturers Committee, and a report of the measure to the Senate was authorized without a record vote.

The latest proposition combine the LaFollette-Costigan and the Cutting bills, which had aimed at different angles of the relief problem.

Senators LaFollette, of Wisconsin, and Cutting, of New Mexico, Republican independents, who supported the Democratic presidential ticket, conferred at Warm Springs recently with the president-elect and said they found him "sympathetic."

The new bill authorizes direct grants to the states with a total fund of \$500,000,000 to be available, and increases by a like sum the notes, bonds

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#### DEFENSE RESTS IN EXTORTION CHARGE

Newport News, Va., Jan. 26.—(AP)—The defense rested this morning after completing a lengthy cross-examination of Charles Herbert Young, charged with attempting to extort \$100,000 from Homer L. Ferguson, Newport News shipbuilder and bank president.

Indications were the case would go to the jury by mid-afternoon.

#### BEER-LIQUOR BILL REVENUE MEASURE

Murphy Says He Is Entirely After Money and Not Dry Law Repeal

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—The bills introduced by Representative Walter (Pete) Murphy, of Salisbury, to legalize the sale of light wines and beer provided Congress legalizes their sale under the eighteenth amendment, and to permit the sale of prescription liquor by drug stores on prescriptions of physicians are purely revenue measures, according to Mr. Murphy. The Turlington act, the State's prohibition enforcement act, is not repealed in

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### Placing Electricity Tax On Consumer Aids Drive In Behalf Cheaper Power

By CHARLES P. STEWART

Washington, Jan. 26.—From the standpoint of crusaders for cheaper power, Chairman Reed Smoot of the Senate Finance Committee and Charles R. Crisp, the then acting chairman of the House of Representatives committee on Ways and Means, built far better than they realized. They provided, at the last session of Congress, to make the consumers of electric energy pay the tax which their fellow lawmakers had intended to place upon the electricity companies.

The tax bill, indeed, had passed with

#### Hoover Approves Tariff Increases

Washington, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Representative Snell, of New York, the minority leader, said today President Hoover was in accord with an agreement by House Republicans to seek action to raise American tariffs against countries of depreciated currency.

He had conferred with the chief executive for nearly an hour, telling newspaper men they discussed also Great Britain's note of yesterday on war debts and economic discussions to be had after March 1.

Snell expressed the view that it would be better to discuss economic problems first with Great Britain and other debtor nations before making any settlement on war debts.

### FIRST LOANS MADE BY RECONSTRUCTION BOARD IS STATED

Dawes Bank in Chicago Extended Credit of \$90,000,000 in June, Two Days Apart

FRISCO BANK GIVEN CREDIT OF \$64,000,000

Other Large Loans Revealed; Railroads Allowed to Borrow \$224,147,000 With \$32,500,000 to Baltimore and Ohio and \$27,500,000 to Pennsylvania

Washington, Jan. 26.—(AP)—The House of Representatives and the country were told in detail today—despite strenuous objections—from Reconstruction Corporation members

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#### Nathan O'Berry's Portrait Is Given North Carolina

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—(AP)—A portrait of the late Nathan O'Berry, of Goldsboro, who was treasurer of North Carolina when he died suddenly a year ago, was presented to the State today by his family at exercises in the hall of the House of Representatives here.

Kenneth Royall, of Goldsboro, long a friend of the late treasurer, tendered the portrait to the State for the O'Berry family, and Joseph Daniels, editor of the News and Observer, accepted it for North Carolina.

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the levy on the companies, not the consumers. However, in certain other respects the measure had undergone alterations by the senate, from the form in which the representatives had given it their approval. This necessitated its reference to a conference committee to effect a compromise, and on this committee Chairman Smoot was chief spokesman for the senate; acting Chairman Crisp for the House of Representatives. Between them they relieved the electricity folk of the burden on them and transferred it to their patrons.

There was a big row about this in both congressional chambers, when the bill came up for final action, but the time was short, the taxes had to be acted on, and finally they were grudgingly accepted, as Smoot and

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### Technocrats' Leader and Aids Who Stand by Him



This is the first posed picture of Howard Scott (center), leader of the technocracy movement, since his withdrawal of four of his supporters connected with Columbia University. At left is Daljitchock, who continues as Scott's chief lieutenant; and at the right is M. King Hubbert, geophysicist at Columbia.

## GALES LASH EAST CAROLINA; SOUND WATERS FLOOD MANTEO

Elizabeth City, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Eastern North Carolina was swept by a strong northwest wind today. Reports reaching here from Manteo said waters from the sound were sweeping through main street there and had reached a depth of two feet.

Sam Midgett, driver of the Manteo-Elizabeth City bus, which arrived here at mid-morning, said the waters started rising in Manteo about 4 a. m., and were still rising when he left.

Merchants, he said, were standing by their stores prepared to move stocks should the water continue to rise. All boats there were confined to the harbor, he said, and the sea was breaking across both Manteo bridge and the Wright Memorial bridge between here and the island community.

The road from Kitty Hawk to Carolina Beach was reported blocked with sand, and the causeway at Manteo bridge was under water.

Elizabeth City, severing several electric wires and blocking traffic on main street.

Between Gregory and Belcrosse, in Camden county, eight telephone poles were blown down.

While the coast guard cutter Carabasset was attempting to get aid to the trawler Malolo, of Hampton, Va., in distress six miles off Ocracoke Inlet, two schooners, the Missouri and Julia W. Bell, of Avon, both tow-masted fishing vessels, limped into port here late last night.

### HITLER WILL BACK GERMAN MINISTRY

Nazi Chief Reverses Himself and Will Support von Schleicher

#### PROMISES STABILITY

Yields "All or Nothing" Policy and so Advises President von Hindenburg; Abandons Chancellorship Idea

Berlin, Jan. 26.—(AP)—German politics took a sensational turn late this afternoon when Adolf Hitler informed President von Hindenburg that he had reconsidered making his support of the "presidential" cabinet conditional upon his appointment to the chancellorship.

By yielding his "all or nothing" policy, Hitler paved the way for possibility of support for the von Schleicher cabinet by the parties from the Centerists to the National Socialists, a condition which would insure the stability of the government for a considerable time.

#### REV. B. S. LASSITER PASSES IN FLORIDA

Oxford, Jan. 26.—(AP)—News was received here today of the death of Rev. Benjamin Skinner Lassiter, of Marion, N. C., yesterday in Sarasota, Fla.

The retired Episcopal rector, who was 80 years old, was a native of Oxford, and the uncle of Robert G. and Ben K. Lassiter, of Oxford. Funeral services will be held in Marion tomorrow afternoon.

#### British Rum Ship, Freed by New Rule Held In By Storm

Wilmington, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Two new problems, the weather and lack of a crew, held the British vessel Tanner in port today, although the liquor-laden ship had won its freedom under the one-hour sailing clause of the smuggling treaty with Great Britain.

Mrs. Fannie S. Faison, collector of customs, said the coast guard had advised here a stiff wind of almost gale proportions was blowing off shore, and it may be Saturday before it would be possible to tow the Tanner with its cargo of 849 cases of whiskey to sea.

#### Further Charges Of Arson Against Greenville Man

Greenville Jan. 26.—(AP)—T. E. Beaman, former minister and former United States Commissioner here, today was under indictment by the Pitt county grand jury on charges of arson growing out of an investigation of a fire at Beaman's home Saturday night.

Officers said several pieces of burlap, soaked in inflammable liquid, were found in the home after the fire was extinguished. Beaman was being held in jail. He will probably be tried tomorrow.

Several weeks ago Beaman was arrested on Federal charges of conspiracy to violate the prohibition law.

### Robbers Get All Dobson Bank Money

Take Between \$9,000 and \$10,000; Bank Awaits Insurance Adjuster

Dobson, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Yeggmens blew the vault of the Bank of Dobson early today and escaped with the institution's entire funds, estimated to be between \$9,000 and \$10,000.

R. C. Llewellyn, treasurer of the bank, said the thieves "cleaned us out. They got every penny we had." He said he was waiting for an insurance representative to arrive in order that the exact amount of funds stolen might be determined, but he estimated the total at between \$9,000 and \$10,000.

The treasurer said the robbery was believed to have taken place about 3 o'clock this morning. At that time, he said, W. B. Norman, who lives not far from the bank, heard a noise but did not investigate it. Llewellyn quoted Norman as saying he saw several men in the vicinity but believed nothing was amiss.

#### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair, slightly colder in central portion tonight; Friday increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer, followed by occasional rains Friday night and probably in West and north central portion Friday afternoon.

## Repeal Of Primary Voted Unfavorably At Committee Meet

#### Dirigible Akron Chased by Storm

Lakehurst, N. J., Jan. 26.—(AP)—The navy dirigible Akron, which flew into the Middle West to avoid a severe wind and rainstorm in this area, reported to the naval air station at 8 a. m. today that she was 30 miles northwest of Erie, Pa.

Commander F. T. Berry, commandant at the station, said he could not foretell when the Akron would return to Lakehurst.

#### Plea of Disfranchisement of Voters Blocks Blow At Statewide Primary Elections

#### EIGHT-MONTHS TERM DECLARED ECONOMY

Could be Done Cheaper, Washington Solon Tells His Committee; Legislature Refuses to Pay Town of Newton \$5,000 Damages For Fatality of Highway

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Discussion of the possibility of an eight months State-supported school term in the Senate Education Committee, and voting of an unfavorable report to the bill designed to abolish the State-wide primary by the House Elections Committee held the legislative spotlight today.

The Senate held an almost workless session, passing a number of local bills, but not taking up its public calendar. A number of new measures were introduced.

In the House lengthy debate ensued after the reading of a Senate bill proposing that the State pay the town of Newton \$5,000 to recompense it for damages granted the heirs of W. L. G. Pickett, who was killed in an automobile accident.

Pickett was killed in an accident at an overhead railroad bridge in Newton and proponents of the bill charged that the death resulted from negligence of the State Highway Commission. Opponents of the measure said it would set a dangerous precedent.

Almost a score of representatives

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#### J. H. Epperson, of Durham, Potentate Of Sudan Temple

New Bern, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Jesse H. Epperson was elevated to the post of potentate of Sudan Temple of the Shrine today and his home city of Durham was selected for the temple's summer ceremonial.

Epperson succeeds Dr. Job Taylor, of Roanoke Rapids, whose ill health during the past year left most of the work to Epperson, who as chief rabban, was next in line for potentate.

All other officers were re-elected, being moved up one office, according to Shrine custom, and Dr. D. Ashe Morris, of Durham, was elected outer guard to fill the single vacancy.

Eight candidates were initiated at a ceremonial this afternoon after a barbecue dinner. The meeting will close tonight with the potentate's ball.

#### SEES STATE LOSS ON UTILITIES TAX

Companies Say Producers Would Leave State and Cripple Industry

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—North Carolina's present taxation is unattractive to further investment of capital in utility projects, and any increase in the tax rate would be little short of disaster, the Joint Finance Committee of the General Assembly was informed yesterday by representatives of public

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#### SALES TAX BILLS OF DIFFERENT HUE BEING MADE READY

Will Be Sprung Upon Legislature When Other Efforts To Get Revenue Have Failed

#### TWO PERCENT LEVY IS SOUGHT IN ONE

Would Embody Production, Luxury and General Sales Tax; Await Reorganization Bills to Avoid Muddying Waters in Hunt for New Revenues

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, Jan. 26.—Two sales tax bills are in preparation for introduction in the General Assembly at the auspicious moment, it was authoritatively learned here today, in spite of the secrecy with which those interested in these bills have sought to shroud their activities.

One of these bills is a straight out two per cent sales tax on gross retail sales only, and is scheduled for introduction in the Senate when the time is ripe. Indications are that this bill will have very strong support from the industrial bloc in the Senate and that it will get very strong backing from the tobacco companies, power companies, railroads and other large corporations that are anxious to see a general sales tax on retail sales enacted.

The second sales tax bill now in

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#### Six Brokers Are Given Suspension By Stock Market

New York, Jan. 26.—(AP)—The New York Stock Exchange, in one of its most sweeping disciplinary actions in years, today suspended six of its members for periods ranging from one month to three years.

Several of those suspended were members of the firms of Smeitzer Clifford and Company or Ludwig Robertson and Company, both of which withdrew as cleaning members of the stock clearing corporation today.

The suspensions were of traders primarily interested in bonds, and were for paying gratuities without the approval of the exchange to employees of the exchange or other financial institutions.

## Glass Bank Reform Bill Likely To Die In House

Washington, Jan. 26.—(AP)—The House Banking Committee will consider the Glass banking bill, passed yesterday by the Senate, but its chairman, Representative Steagall, Alabama, said today he was not as hopeful for action at this session as some are.

Rumor was that the Democratic leadership may seek to force House action on the bill if the banking committee does not act within a reasonable time.

Some of the banking committee already have voiced opposition to the branch banking feature of the Glass bill.

**WILL ROGERS says:**

Beverly Hills, Cal., Jan. 26.—On account of it being the only kind of money that 99 per cent of our people ever handle, they want to see silver given a real value. But Congress wants to keep it as it is—just to pound up and use as a wedding present.

See where the Roosevelts, even down into the fifth cousins, are straying back into the fold. Nothing will bring back distant kin-folks like the news spreading that you got a job.

The very popular wife of a very popular cabinet member has written a song, "My Homeland."

Yours, WILL