

HUGE WORK-RELIEF BILL FACES CRUCIAL TEST

TWO MEASURES ASK EARLY ENLARGEMENT OF HIGHWAY PATROL

One Would Make Force of 127 Members and Other 208, Each Including the Officers

COMMITTEE BACKS
SALARY INCREASES

State Employees Would Get Graduated Raise in Pay; Constitutional Amendment To Raise Income Tax Limit from Six to Ten Percent Is Proposed

Raleigh, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Highway patrol enlargement, regulation of oil companies and commercial fisheries, pay increases for State employees and other sundry matters occupied the attention of legislators today.

Both divisions of the assembly held joint sessions, and then adjourned for the weekend business tomorrow.

The House passed and sent to the Senate a bill to amend the laws on promissory notes by tightening present regulations. It also put back on its calendar a bill to regulate photographers which it tabled yesterday.

The Senate got two bills to enlarge the highway patrol, one to make it have 127 members including officers, and the other to fix the personnel at 208. The House got a measure to require motor vehicle operators to show their financial responsibility and one to make the center of all highways.

Senate passage was voted the Frink bill to put commercial fisheries under the Conservation Department, and the measure went to the House.

A House committee approved a bill

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Maid Youth Was Drowned In River Thursday Evening

Hertford, Feb. 15 (AP)—An extensive search was being conducted today for Perry Harrell, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Harrell, of the New Hope section, who has been missing from his home since 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when he went out in the Little River to fish his nets.

A heavy fog came up over the river shortly after the boy left home, and grave fears were expressed today that he had been drowned.

Drys Wait Upon Vote In Alabama

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Feb. 15.—Dry forces in North Carolina would capitalize on dry sentiment in Alabama. The plan known here today when it was inadvertently learned that certain dry leaders are attempting to delay a public hearing on the Hill liquor control bill until after Alabama votes on the 26th of this month on a similar bill.

So sure are the drys that Alabama

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Senate Calling For Data About Farley

Washington, Feb. 15.—(AP)—At the request of Senator Long, Democrat, Louisiana, the Senate today asked Secretary Ickes to furnish all reports of Interior Department investigators referring to Postmaster General Farley.

Senator Robinson, Democratic leader, agreed to approval of the resolution calling for the data after Long had consented to a modification.

As originally drawn, the resolution called for all reports gathered by Louis Ickes, Ickes' chief investigator

Nine Britishers Killed In Crash

Messina, Sicily, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Nine British officers and men were reported killed today in a crash of the seaplane "Singapore" en route from Naples to Malta. The plane burned immediately after the crash.

Textbooks Lobby Now Pouring In

Rental Proposal Brings Them Running to Raleigh To Oppose Measure

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Feb. 15.—Textbook lobbyists are flocking here by the score as the result of the two bills introduced within the last few days to set up a Statewide rental textbook system. They seem to be especially worried by the bill introduced in the House Tuesday by Representative Gregg Cherry, of Gaston county, and some six or seven other House members, which would not only set up the machinery for a rental textbook system for every school in the State, beginning with the school year of 1935-36, but which would also change the method of selecting and adopting textbooks.

The Cherry bill, if adopted, would eliminate the North Carolina School Book Depository here, owned by Alfred Williams and Company, through which almost all of the adopted school books in the State are now distributed, and which collects 10 per cent on every book sold for this purpose. The Statewide rental system would also eliminate the sale of textbooks except to those children or parents who prefer to buy them. It would also mean that fewer books would be used from

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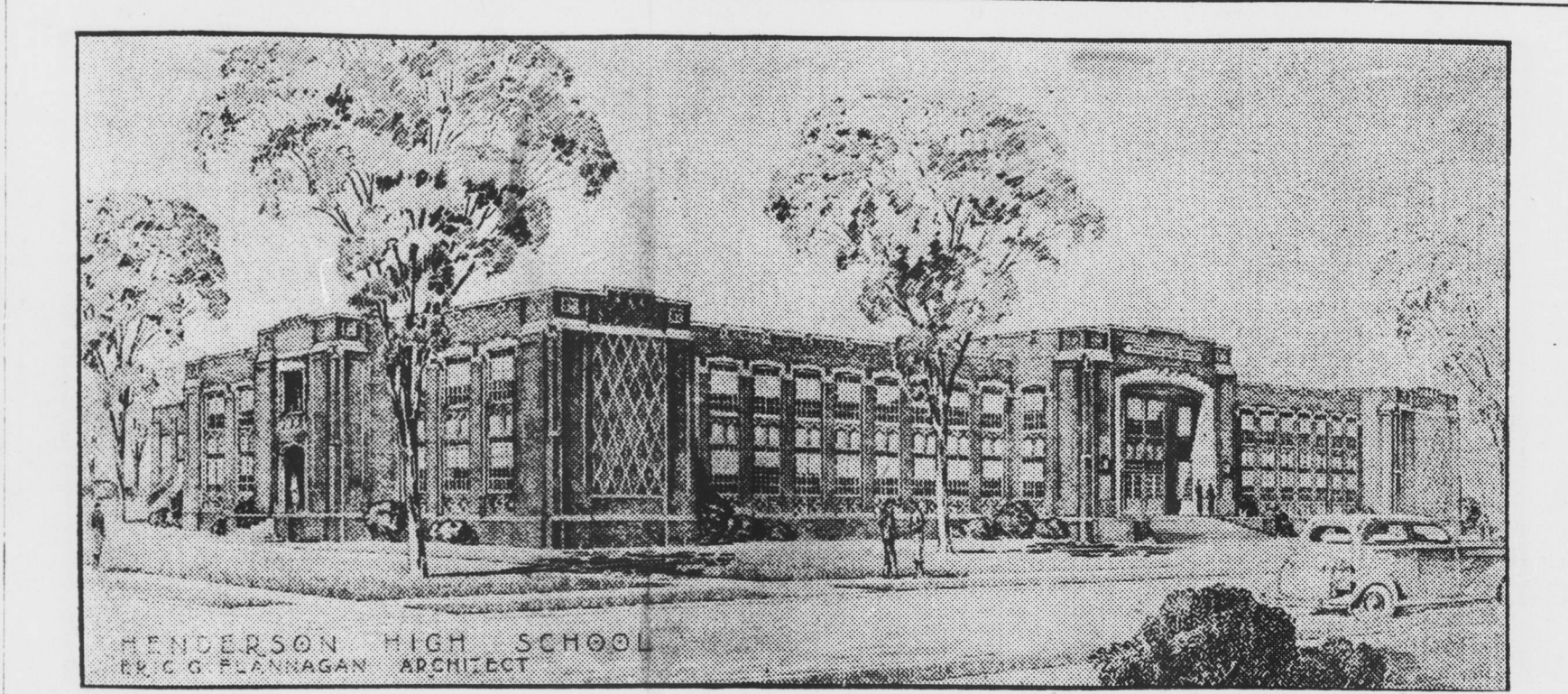
OUTLOOK GLOOMY ON STREET UPKEEP

Administration Not Pulling With Cities, Who Didn't Pull With It

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Feb. 15.—The outlook is decidedly gloomy for the bill which would require the State Highway and Public Works Commission to maintain the streets in cities and towns traversed by State highways, despite the fact that the highway department is not opposing the measure, it was learned here today from members of the roads and appropriations committees. The bill has the backing of the North Carolina Municipal League,

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NEW \$235,000 HENDERSON HIGH SCHOOL



This is an architect's drawing of the proposed new \$235,000 Henderson high school, the contract for which is soon to be let. It is part of a \$285,000 building program for the city schools, which will also include a new \$34,500 building at North Henderson, and the addition of four rooms to the South Henderson school to cost \$16,000.

The new high school will be located at the corner of North William and Charles streets. It will have accommodations for some 700 students, and will make provisions for commercial classes, domestic science, regular science courses and probably other curricula subjects in addition to the straight literary courses to be offered.

Included in the building also will be an auditorium that will seat 900 to 1,000 persons, including the balcony. A gymnasium will be built into the structure, and also basement provisions for a cafeteria.

The building will be modern in every respect throughout and will be adequate for all present needs of the high school.

Eric G. Flannagan is the architect for the building. The funds are being obtained from the Federal Public Works Administration. Work is to start in the early spring and the building will require about a year for construction. It will probably be ready for use at the 1936 commencement, and certainly for the opening of the high school in the fall of 1936.

CHAIN STORE LEVY BEATEN, MERCHANTS TO TACKLE OTHERS

MacDonald-Lumpkin Proposal Would Extract Some \$1,000,000 More From Business

MERCHANTS ARE NOT YET FULLY AROUSED

They Haven't Realized Just What Is In Store for Them Under Substitute for Sales Tax; New Chain Store Tax Has Been Eliminated, However

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Feb. 15.—Having already persuaded the joint finance committees that the revised chain store tax section, advocated by the anti-sales tax group in the committees, would impose too heavy a burden upon North Carolina chain stores, the proposed new section has been rejected by the committees as the result of the opposition from the merchants who would have had to pay the tax.

Indications now are that many merchants are also going to vigorously oppose the additional plan proposed by the MacDonald-Lumpkin anti-sales tax group to impose a gross receipts tax of one-fourth of one per cent on the gross receipts of all retail merchants, a similar tax of one-eighth of

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Will Protect Nation From Propaganda

Washington, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Legislation to protect the United States from "foreign propaganda" and revolutionary activity was recommended to Congress today by a House committee which spent more than a year investigating "un-American activities."

In its report to the House, the committee, headed by Representative McCormack, Democrat, Massachusetts, charged, in effect, that Soviet Russia had violated its pledge against harboring groups which advocate the "overthrow of this government."

It reported that tons of Nazi propaganda have been smuggled into this country and complimented "20-odd million Americans of German birth or descent" for resisting efforts "to bring them into the Nazi program."

Talk New Tobacco Sign-Up To Limit 1935 Allotments

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—A new sign-up of flue-cured tobacco growers may be the answer to protests from North Carolina that the acreage allotment for 1935 is too large, and if carried out will result in prices so low as to wreck the control law.

The suggestion for the new sign-up came late yesterday after J. B. Hutson, Farm Administration tobacco chief, and a North Carolina delegation had debated for hours the 1935 acreage.

Hutson said contracts for producers to grow 85 per cent of their base acreage in 1935, instead of the 70 per cent as in 1934, already had become binding.

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Saturday with the flue-cured advisory committee, which recommended the 85 per cent plan for 1935.

The North Carolinians differed with Hutson on the amount of tobacco an 85 per cent planting would produce. Governor Ehringhaus estimated the poundage would be more than 800,000,000 pounds when planting by growers not cooperating with the control plan was taken into consideration.

Hutson estimated the crop at around 720,000,000 pounds. It was

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Ethiopians Attack Act Of Italians

No Grounds for Mobilization, King Salassie Says In Protest to Rome

Rome, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Emperor Haile Selassie declared today in a message to the world that Italian mobilization is not justified by any military measure on the part of Ethiopia.

The message from the Ethiopian ruler was made public here through his charge d'affaires Yanus Yesus, who said he was also communicating it to the foreign office.

"The news of the mobilization of two Italian divisions," the monarch said, "is not of the kind to maintain an atmosphere of confidence necessary to the satisfactory conduct of negotiations now under way preliminary to the establishment of a commission of conciliation and arbitration for solution of Italo-Ethiopian differences."

"The security of Italian Somaliland has not been menaced by Ethiopia at any time."

Haile Selassie repeated that his country never had taken an aggressive position against Italy and that none of his troops had been concentrated on the border.

Italian sources said that more than 150 armed Ethiopians have occupied

Germany Answers British Proposal

Berlin, Feb. 15 (AP)—The German government tonight advised France and England that Germany had "a sincere desire to promote the safeguard of peace," and advised those two nations that the European questions they raised in the recent London conversations will be thoroughly examined.

This reply was made by Adolf Hitler's government on the Franco-British agreement reached two weeks ago, and which was made the basis of proposals to Germany.

ADMIT EXTORTION NOTE BY GORRELL

Startling Move Made By State Taken at Kennimer Murder Trial

Pawnee, Okla., Feb. 15.—(AP)—Admission of John F. Gorrell, Jr., wrote an extortion note to H. F. Wilcox, wealthy Tulsa oil man, threatening death to one of his children unless he paid \$20,000, was made by the State today in the murder trial of 19-year-old Phil Kennimer for the slaying of Gorrell, 23.

The startling action followed brief testimony by Federal Judge Franklin E. Kennimer, father of the defendant, that "in my judgment" the hand writing was not his son's.

W. F. Gilmer, Jr., of the prosecution interrupted testimony of J. C. Shearman, Wichita, Kans. handwriting expert, to say:

"If you are trying to show that Gorrell wrote that note, 'we'll save you time and trouble; we admit it.'"

"In view of this unqualified admission, we see no need of continuing this testimony," said A. Flint Moss,

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Hauptmann Will Go To Death Cell

Heavy Guard To Accompany Condemned Man To Trenton Tomorrow

Flemington, N. J., Feb. 15.—(AP)—Sheriff John H. Curtis announced today that Bruno Richard Hauptmann, convicted Lindbergh kidnap-murderer, would be removed from the Hunterdon county jail to the death house in State Prison some time tomorrow.

"We are going to take him down tomorrow; that's definite."

Pressed for some definite information

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Business Remains Spotty Over Most Of Southwest

Texas and Oklahoma Suffering from Short Crops, But Further West Conditions Are Much Better; General Outlook Depends On Politics

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El Paso, Texas, Feb. 15.—During the past seven days I have had a chance to talk with many people, particularly business men, in the Southwest. From their opinions, plus my own statistical reports, it appears that business in the Southwest is spotty. In West Texas, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona things are definitely on the mend, but in East Texas and

\$400,000,000 FOR RELIEF WOULD BE SPEEDED THROUGH

Four Billion Dollar Work- Giving Fund Would Be Left To Fate In Doubtful Future

MAY RETURN BILL TO THE COMMITTEE

That Body Would Be In- structed To Divide the Measure and Rush \$880,- 000,000 Part Back to Sen- ate for Action; Republican Want Time Limit Imposed

Washington, Feb. 15.—(AP)—The administration work-relief program today approached its first big Senate test—a motion which would speed passage of the \$880,000,000 work-giving fund to a doubtful future.

The outcome was expected by Democratic leaders to provide a major indication of just how rough will prove the huge money bill's journey in the Senate.

Senator McCarran, Democrat, Nevada, author of the mandatory "prevailing wage" amendment, just barely defeated in committee by administration forces, promised the motion to return the lump sum measure to the appropriations committee, with instructions to split the plan into two parts and rush back the direct relief section.

From Republican ranks was promised a motion to cut one year off the time the huge relief fund would be available until June 30, 1937. Republicans agreed to ask a June 30, 1936, limit.

Other capital activities: Charges of "inefficiency" and "even suggestions of graft" were put before the House Rules Committee by congressmen who demanded an investigation of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation.

A. P. Homer, Washington manager, told the Senate Munitions Committee that he had been offered

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Denies New Evidence On Hauptmann

Washington, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Statements that Federal officers have evidence that Bruno Richard Hauptmann had accomplices in the Lindbergh kidnaping were termed false today by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Division of Investigation of the Department of Justice.

The Lindbergh kidnap-murder case was said to be closed, so far as the special agents of the Department of Justice are concerned. It was said that Hauptmann, now facing death in the electric chair, is guilty and no other suspects are involved.

"It would be reprehensible, even bordering on criminal, to conceal any evidence that would shed light on the guilt or innocence of Bruno Hauptmann and the division of investigation has no other evidence in this case," Hoover said.

He made this statement in commenting on published reports that authorities, including the Department of Justice, knew of an accomplice and expected to arrest him.

Hoover said he was speaking only for the division of investigation.

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Oklahoma the situation today is not so good.

"Hot Oil" Decision Upsetting.

Conditions in Oklahoma and East Texas improved earlier than in most other areas. Eighteen months ago the troubles were clearing up and producers were beginning to make money. Drilling operations were resuming to make money. Drilling operations were resumed on a

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