## French Chamber Backs Up Laval

## MANCHOUKUO ARMY, WITH JAPANESE AID, MARCHING ON CHINA

Japanese Planes Assist In Threat To Sever Part of Chahar Province From China.

STUDENT DISCONTENT FLARES OVER CHINA

In Many Centers Young Men March in Protest Against Japanese Domination of Northern Provinces: Chinese General Tries Suicide To Arouse People.

Shanghai, Sunday, Dec. 29 .-(AP)-A Manchoukuan army, assisted by Japanese airplanes, said a Chinese report today, was advancing across Chahar province of China, and threatening to or part of it from Chinese con-

The invaders were reported to be driving a military wedge toward shang-Tu on Chahar's western frontier, and possibly isolating the northern half of the province.

Simultaneously, 2,000 irregulars, under the pro-Japanese leader Liu-Kewi-Tang, were reported to be inrading northern Hopeh province. They were said to be menacing the rail center of Chanping, 25 miles

northwest of Peiping. Chinese observers expressed the oppion the Manchoukuan thrust into Chahar was inspired by the Japanese in an effort to cut trade routes between China and Outer Mongolia, the independent republic, in which Soviet

tighten its pressure in Outer Mon-

Japanese militarists were reported officials for installation of a Mongol regime friendly to Manchoukuo.

STUDENT DISCONTENT IN CHINA FLARES IN CITIES Shanghai, Sunday, Dec. 29 (AP)-Student discontent with the government policies in North China flared

Despite vigorous measures to sup-(Continued on Page Five)

in widely separated cities of Chma

#### U. N. C. Professor Says Wilson Tried To Fight in 1916

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 28 .--(AP)-A. M. Arnett, of the University of North Carolina, said today he had proof that President Wilson tried to enter the war in 1916—and incidentally claimed for himself a "scoop" on this prize historical story.

He gave his story to the American Historical Association, in convention here, and announced he would elaberate on it next summer in a book with the probable title "We Kept Him (Wilson) Out of War."

Arnett declared he has proved that reported "sunrise conference" in April, 1916, between President Wil-Claude Kitchin, Democratic floor leader of the House, and Representatives Clark and Flood was not a "myth"-as thought by some his-The United States did not go to war until April, 1917.

## HOOVER BLUNDERED ON BANK CHARGES

Record is Against Him on Bank Closings in His Term of Office.

By LESLIE EICHEL

Central Press Staff Writer New York, Dec. 28 .- Strategists in both major political parties undoubt- tom big and rambunctious enough to rage for 1936 with five men formally edly are agreed on one matter-that blow the lid off in 1936, if they de- announcing for the Democratic gubformer President Herbert Hoover cided to go places. made an error in trying to blame the 1932-33 bank crashes on fear of

subject people were just beginning to

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His Decision Fought



Judge Merrill E. Otio

Decision of Federal Judge Otis in Kansas City case declaring Wagner Labor Disputes Act unconstitu-tional will be appealed to U. S. Supreme Court, Judge Otis was appointed to bench ten years ago by President Coelidge.

(Central Press) These sources also said they believed the Japanese army planned to REPUBLICANS FEAR

IU ILLI UN DUNAH

Party Might Have United on Him Had He Been Specific About It.

LANDON FAVORED NOW

Kansas Governor Seems To Be Gar nering Good Will of More Elements of Party Than Any One Else

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer

Washington, Dec. 28 .-- If Senator William E. Borah of Idaho has a political weakness it is the weakness of undependability.

Had he declared himself available for the Republican presidential nomination six months ago he probably would be today practically the only G. O. P. possibility mentoned by his

There was a gathering of them about that time in the capital and it they could hope to beat Franklin D.

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Army Air Chief



Chief among the promotions of eight high ranking officers of the U. S. army made by President Roosevelt is that of Brig. Gen. Oscar Westover, above, acting chief of the air corps, who has

been given full command of that branch with the rank of major general. Westover succeeds Maj. Gen. Benjamin D. Foulois, who

has applied for retirement.

# OF LEGISLATURE IS

Most of Those Agitating It Have Personal Motives In Doing So, Is

REPEAL OF CERTAIN MEASURES DESIRED

McDonald Wants It As Sounding Board for His Campaign Speeches; Extra Session Might Damage Graham's Candidacy For Governor Next Year.

Only Disputch Burgag, In The Sir Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILL

Raleigh, Dec. 28—No special session of the General Assembly is expected in most political circles here, certainly not until after Congress has met again and taken further action with regard to social security legislation, despite the fact that there is still much agitation in some quarters

for a special session. The principal reason for this belief is the fact that all those who are in close touch with Governor J. C. B. was their unmistakable consensus Ehringhaus know that he is very that the Idaho statesmen was the on- much opposed to calling an extra y individual under whose leadership session, principally because he does not think it necessary at this time, Roosevelt at the next election. They either for the enactment of cooperaagreed that he was too old. Many of ting State social security legislation them objected to him as a progressive or for any other purpose. He is firm-(which the progressives say he isn't ly convinced that a special session of

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## which Wilson expressed eagerness for immediate war, only to be blocked temporarily by these three men." Hot Political Campaign In State Seen For 1936

Bitter Contests For Major and Minor Offices Loom as New Year Begins; Governorship, U. S. Senate and Congress Seats at Stake in Campaign.

By W. JOYNES MACFARLAN, Associated Press Staff Writer

the brew of a legislature, the North fused to legalize the sale. Carolina political pot mustered nothing warmer than a simmer in 1935. But there were bubbles on the bot- but lines were laid for a heavy bar-

The politically peaceful year, how-ever, saw the State desert a time-Democrats hurling t honored prohibition stand adopted in the ring were: Mr. Hoover called attention to a 1908. In its valedictory hours the leg-And he opened the way for the thumbs down on a Statewide voting former Governor O. Max Gardner; for legalization. Each of the heavily Democratic counties in the east given

the privilege went "wet" and opened stores. The county of Rockingham, Raleigh, Dec. 28.-(AP)-Despite where political margins are closer, re-

There was no active political campaign in the State during the year, ernatorial nomination. All was quiet

Democrats hurling their hats into

Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, former islature granted 18 counties the right congressman and a member of the to ballot on liquor stores but turned "Shelby dynasty." A brother-in-law of

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## PREMIER'S POLICY ABROAD IS UPHELD WITH SAFE MARGIN

Two Votes of Confidence Carried For Cabinet Aft-Hard Fight on The Floor.

ORDER MAINTAINED BY ARMED TROOPS

Government Head Left Free Now to Pursue His Work Of Conciliation, International Understanding And Peace Within League Of Nations Covenant.

Paris, Dec. 28 (AP)-Premier Laval won a second vote of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies today, 304 to 261.

The vote was on direct approval of his conduct of foreign af-

The Chamber began balloting immediately on a motion "approving the declarations of the government, and expressing confidence in him (Laval) to pursue his work of conciliation, international understanding and peace within the eLague of Nations covenant."

Previously, Laval had wrung a narrow vote of confidence from the Cham ber of Deputies by a vote of 296 to

STELL-HELMETED GUARDS ON DUTY AT THE CHAMBER Paris, Dec. 28 .- (AP) -- Steel-helmet-

ed mobile guards, with carbines swung on their shoulders, were held in readiness for possible disorders today outside the Chamber of Deputies as Premier Laval's cabinet faced the danger of overthrow in a Chamber rote on his foreign policy.

Small crowds which gathered outside the old Bourbon palace, in which the deputies meet, were kept moving by large forces of police as the mobile guards posted themselves in the shelter of the nearby railroad station. As the time for voting approached,

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#### 1836 Outlook For Cotton Brightest In Several Years

New Orleans, La., Dec. 28 (AP)

Growers and handlers say cotton will enter 1936 under the best conditions in several years

A guarantee of 12 cents a pound for all cotton from this year's crop, a government program that enables the staple to move freely into the normal channels of trade and a rejuvenated demand for American cotton from abroad. have combined to provide a distinct improvement over the conditions a year ago.

#### Sales Tax Talked As Substitute for Tax Upon Payroll

Washington, Dec. 28 (AP)—A luxury sales tax was put forth today by Chairman Buchanan, Democrat, Texas, of the House Appropriations Committee, as a means of giving financial backing to the social security program, The Texan's suggestion was made

as congressmen, returning to the crowded capital for another session discovered apartment rentals rising and living quarters hard to find. Buchanan's idea was to substitute the tax for that which under the social security law puts a levy on payrolls and employees. While there was no indication whether there was any White House backing for the proposal, it was known that many administration officials frown upon sales

A proposal that the nation be split linto administrative segments, with ten or twelve "little capitals," was a subject of controversy.

The American Liberty League described the plan suggested by the President's committee on natural resources as a "dictatorial" move designed to cut the nation up "into provinces, or satrapies." Senator Thomas, Democrat, Okla-

Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon, thoght the plan might encourage decentralization of government.

homa, said it was worthy of conside-

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Snow, probably mixed with rain tonight and Sunday; slightly warmer in east portion tonight.

Italians Forced To Retire In Brutal Ethiopian Fight, Addis Ababa Advices Claim

SON "BOOMS" GOVERNOR LANDON



Governor Landon and his son

John Cobb Landon is doing a little booming of his own for his father, Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, who is being prominently mentioned for the G. O. P. presidential nomination. Of course, young John's booming is of the holiday sort, with the medium being a toy drum. o is in the Landon home at Topeka.

## Milne Faked Kidnaping As Matter Of Publicity

Mystery Writer Hoped In That Way To Gain Stage Job: Breaks Down And Tells G-Men Whole Story After Lengthy Questioning in New York City.

New York, Dec. 28 .- (AP)-Con- reau of Investigation, announced tofessing that his kidnaping was a day Caleb J. Milne IV "kidnaped himhoax engineered in an attempt to get self as a matter of publicity to help some money, Caleb J. Milne IV was him get a job on the stage." arraigned today before U. S. Commissioner Garrett W. Cotter on a charge of attempted extortion, a violation of story of how he had conceived the the United States postal laws.

Bail was fixed at \$7,500. A hearing on the charge was set for January 9.

New York, Dec. 28.-(AP)-J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bu-

ancial straits and couldn't get a job." retired Pennsylvania textile manu-

SAYS TRADE GAINS

## NOT HELP FOR FDR EXCESS OF PROFITS

"He broke shortly after midnight,"

Hoover said, "and told us the whole

idea when he was in desperate fin-

The youth, grandson of a wealthy

facturer, was arrested by the Fed-

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Expert Holds People Be- Even Wall Street Expert come Conservative in Times of Prosperity

By LESLIE EICHEL Central Press Staff Writer Westward Bound, Dec. 28 .- Papers that one picks up en route west are full of news of trade gains. They are almost phenomenal. "Won't that help the Roosevelt crease? campaign for re-election?" this writer The

He answered: "No. The more money people get the more conservative

they become.

This writer countered: "But suppose these good times do not remain -suppose we are plunged into a hole and need still another New Deal?" The "expert" quickly responded: Then Roosevelt is jost anyway." FEWER UNEMPLOYED

Latest unemployment estimates ment. show a favorable trend. There were 1,135,000 fewer per-

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Sides With So-Called Radicals in View.

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer Washington, Dec. 28.-With business decidedly improving, why does not unemployment appreciably de-

The People's Lobby went into this asked an "expert" for a financial question at a recent luncheon in Washington. This particular lobby, so called, of which Professor John Dewey is head, generally classes as rather a radical organization. The views expressed at its gathering here probably will be regarded by orthodox folk as extreme. Nevertheless, the speakers did offer a solution, which I haven't heard from any other source, of the puzzle of reviving business with but little revival in employ-

> Leading parts in the discussion were taken by ex-President John H.

## **GUERILLA BATTLE IMPROVES MORALE** OF NATIVES' ARMY

Small But Consistent Losses Inflicted on Invaders by Bitter Skirmishes.

HEAVY LOSSES ARE REPORTED RESULT

Rome Says, However, Ethiopians Flee From Third Stiff Combat in Ten Days And Seek Shelter From Bombings From Air; Hitler Is Becoming Active.

(By The Associated Press) The latest of a succession of bold orays by Ethiopian troops against Italy's invading blackshirts, described in communiques from Addis Ababa, gave a fresh complexion today to Premier Mussolini's "campaign of occupation" in Ethiopia.

Practically stationery for weeks, Italian forces on the northern front were forced to relinquish Abbi Addi, 25 miles west of the main northern lines, in an Ethiopian surprise attack, said an announcement from the capital city of Emperor Haile Selassie.

If it has succeeded in doing nothing more, the guerilla warfare of encouraged Ethiopian arms has worried the Italians, and inflicted small but consistent losses.

The bodies of 20 Italian officers and many natives, said the Ethiopian government, were found on the battlefield at Abbi Addi, and 100 of Italy's native soldiers were taken prisoners. From Rome, however, issued Itaian press dispatches saying the Eth-

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#### Says AAA Has Cut Jobs Sharply For The Cotton Belt

New York, Dec. 28 (AP)—Operation of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration has forced thousands of laborers onto relief rolls in cotton growing states, Dr. A. B. Cox, agricultural economist, told the American Statistical Association here today.

The cotton acreage control program luring the last three years has caused losses of \$280,000,000 to unskilled laborers and tenant farmers, said Dr. Cox. director of the bureau of business research of the University of

"Stripped of its frills," he charged" the program is an attempt to bring about a redistribution of wealth by forcibly slowing down production.,' Asserting that the cotton restric-tion program failed to recognize "interdependent relations among prolucers, laborers, processers and merchants." Dr. Cox stated that "it is utter folly to think that the heavy relief load in the South can be relieved in the future as long as cotton production is cut one-third."

### Officers At **Angier Held** For Killing

Pollard And Deans Deny, However, They Blackjacked Green Collins

Angier, Dce. 28 .- (AP)-Angier's only policeman, O. H. Pollard, and C. F. Deans were held without bond today in connection with the death of a prisoner said by witnesses at a coroner's inquest to have been brutally beaten with a blackjack.

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Solicitor Claude Cannady said the