

STATE CROP PLAN MAY FORCE EXTRA LEGISLATURE HERE

Would Have To Be Sum-
moned To Approve Farm
Program If Made Ef-
fective for 1936

UNIFORM LAW FOR STATES JOINING IN

Virginia Legislators Confer
With Hutson About Pro-
posed Program and Offi-
cials of Tobacco States Will
Hold Conference at Early
Date To Study It

Washington, Feb. 8 (AP)—The pos-
sibility that Congress may provide
for State compacts to control tobacco
production was seen here today as an-
other issue likely to cause pressure for
a special session of the North Caro-
lina legislature.

If Congress should approve the com-
pact plan, as embraced in proposals
for blue-cured and burley tobacco, a
special session would be necessary
for consideration of State control
measures if the State intended to co-
operate this crop year.

Under the compact proposal, each
cooperating state would enact similar
legislation, with the Federal govern-
ment participating as an assisting
agency.

A delegation of Virginia legislators
in the capital yesterday heard J. B.
Hutson, agriculture department to-
bacco chief, outline what should be
contained in State control bills.

Conferees of officials of tobacco-
growing states are expected to be cal-
led to further advance the idea.
Representative John H. Kerr, of
Warrenton, N. C., is author of the com-
pact bill for the blue-cured states.

New Blasts Of Sub-Zero In The West

Brief Moderation on Atlantic Coast Be- fore New Arctic Chill Gets Here

Chicago, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Blizzards
blasted more sub-zero cold eastward
from the Rockies today, piling north-
western states deep in snow that
paralyzed rail and road traffic.

Swirling along at 40 miles an hour,
the cold wave sent temperatures
down as far as 52 below zero.

Drifts reared high on highways
from Montana to Iowa and the mer-
cury slid as much as 58 points in 24
hours.

Hill City, S. D., reported 52 below
zero; Custer 50 below and Rapid City
24 below, a mark that tied all records.

A gale from the north and north-
west struck Nebraska, bring that
State the worst blizzard in years. Rail-
road lines were blocked except the
Union Pacific's main route. Auto-
mobiles were stalled and airplanes were
grounded. The State highway depart-
ment said it "knows of no roads open."

The blizzard of the storm brought
Wyoming and Colorado the coldest
February weather on record.

The Weather Bureau said the east-
ern coast could expect a brief modera-
tion before the new chill jumps the
Appalachians tomorrow. It was below
zero in Virginia this morning, and
Washington had only four above.

Electrocution Is Still Regarded As Preferable

Quicker and Less Painful Than Lethal Gas, Newspaper
Men Agree After Seeing Both Methods Worked Fri-
day; Gas Is Long, Drawn-Out Killing Affair

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILLE
Raleigh, Feb. 8.—Electrocution is
still regarded as better than lethal gas
for the execution of condemned men,
newspaper men and witnesses who
saw the triple execution in Central
Prison here yesterday still maintain.
In this triple execution Friday, Wil-
liam Long, Alamance county Negro
youth, was electrocuted, and J. T.
Sanford and Thomas Watson, Dur-
ham Negroes, were executed with
lethal gas. The news men and wit-
nesses who saw all three men die, and
who have seen the previous two exe-

BURSTING DAM SWEEPS MOTHER AND SON TO DEATH NEAR MURPHY



Swollen by torrential rains, Midway lake near Murphy, N. C., burst its dam and swept Mrs. Blaylock Johnson and her son Dewey, 28, to death after demolishing their home. Hazel Hampton, on (left), a niece of Mrs. Johnson, was one of three survivors. She was washed far downstream but finally caught hold of drift wood and pulled herself to safety. On the right is the site of the destroyed dam which was 100 feet long and 50 feet high.—(Associated Press Photos).

HOEY'S STAND ON LIQUOR LAWS AND SCHOOLS STUDIED

His Willingness for Refer-
endum on Liquor Will
Likely Please the Wet
Element

UNIT CONTROL OF SCHOOLS OPPOSED

Gubernatorial Candidate
May Have Made Serious
Error in Advocating That;
Would Lay Groundwork
for Tremendous Political
Organizatin.

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILLE

Raleigh, Feb. 8.—In addition to hold-
ing the support of all the "bone drys"
in the State, Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby,
will probably get some very substan-
tial support from the "wets," at least
from the "wets" who want to continue
and enlarge the present system of
county liquor stores and who are op-
posed to a Statewide liquor control
and liquor stores system, according
to comment heard here today follow-
ing Mr. Hoey's speech in Charlotte
Thursday night. In this speech Hoey
declared that he had not and would
not alter his personal views as a life-
long dry and that he would "rather
accept defeat" than surrender his
convictions, but that as a Democrat,
he would not oppose the submission
of the liquor question to a vote of the
people.

While Hoey did not go into detail
concerning what he meant by a "vote
of the people" it is generally believed
in political circles here that he meant
a Statewide vote in a special election
in which the people would decide on
whether the sale of liquor should be
legalized over the entire State under
a Statewide liquor control system,
such as was proposed in the 1935 Gen-
eral Assembly. It is also generally
conceded here that if the question of
a Statewide liquor stores and liquor
control system should be submitted
to a Statewide vote at this time it
would not carry—and probably would
not get as many votes as it would
have a year ago. For most observers
are convinced that a majority of the

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Death Overtakes Party Taking Food To Island

Desperate Battle To Penetrate Blinding Blizzard in
Chesapeake Bay Leaves One Man Dead and Five
Exhausted; Coast Guard Cutter Makes Rescues

Crisfield, Md., Feb. 8 (AP)—A de-
perate battle to penetrate a blinding
blizzard and take food to marooned
islanders over treacherous Chesape-
ake Bay ice left a State policeman
dead and five persons recovering to-
day from exhaustion and exposure.
The six were members of a crew of
15 who set out yesterday from Cris-
field, pushing a ton of food on sleds.
They braved a bitter gale, lashing
their faces with swirling snow flakes
in an attempt to re-stock the islanders
of Tangier and Smith islands, isolated
ten miles out in the ice-choked bay.
The man who lost his life was Ser-
geant William V. Hunter. He dropped
exhausted and died on an ice floe. His
body rested today aboard the Coast
Guard Cutter Travis, whose crew re-

covered it, and rescued three of those
suffering from exposure in the dar-
ing relief mission.
One of those exhausted was Major
E. B. Gary, head of the Maryland
State Police, and leader of the relief
expedition. Gary, along with Rich-
ard McCready, of Crisfield, and State
Policeman C. A. Disney were picked
up unconscious on the ice and rescued
by the Travis crew.
The first objective of the relief
party, propelling two sleds heavily load-
ed with provisions, with the Travis
anchored in an open switch of winter
nearly midway to the island. The
cutter was to put them across on the
ice on the island side, they were to
press on afoot.
The food supplies had to be aban-
doned on the ice as darkness set in.

TWO DIE IN WRECK OF SOUTHERN TRAIN

Engineer and Fireman Fat-
ally Injured in Explosion
Near Columbia

Allendale, S. C., Feb. 8 (AP)—The
engineer and fireman of Southern
Railway train No. 21 were fatally in-
jured today when their locomotive,
carrying four cars with it, was derailed
at 2:40 a. m. in the center of town.
Engineer Charles McNeill, of Colum-
bia, died in the wreckage of the
engine, which crashed to earth with
an explosion of steam.

Fireman S. A. Orr, also of Columbia,
was taken in an ambulance to the Co-
lumbia hospital badly scalded. He
died there seven hours after the acci-
dent.
Several passengers were reported to
have been shaken about but none
was seriously injured, so far as could
be learned.

Railway officials began an investi-
gation to determine the cause of the
wreck, but reached no immediate con-
clusion. The first four units of the
train, after the locomotive, were de-
railed with it.

The train, a Jacksonville-Columbia
local, had left Jacksonville last night,
and was due to arrive at Columbia
two hours and ten minutes after the
accident, but was totally disabled.

AUDITING SYSTEM IS SAVING MONEY

Closer Check on School
Expenditures Being Kept
by the State

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILLE
Raleigh, Feb. 8.—Much school mon-
ey is being saved by the new auditing
system which has been in effect since
the first of this school year and by
the new regulations which require all
school superintendents to buy supplies
from firms holding state contracts or

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SENTIMENT GROWS FOR U. S. LOTTERY

Revenue Would Help Uncle
Sam Now and Would
Likely Prove Popular

MIGHT PAY U. S. DEBT

Advocates Insist Public Lottery
Would Yield One and Half Bil-
lion Annually if Tried
In This Country

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Washington, Feb. 8.—Every time
that Uncle Sam simply has to have
more money than he has currently
available, and already has borrowed
pretty close to what he considers his
credit's safety limit, someone arises
in Congress to urge the establishment
of a government lottery.
Such a situation exists at present
A sizable and growing block in the
House of Representatives favors the
lottery method of meeting two or
three billions in immediate Federal
requirements, and then paying off the
national debt in comparatively short
order.

Considering Uncle Samuel's finan-
cial straits of today, it wouldn't as-
tonish me to see the plan ultimately
adopted.

Speaking on a low plane, it's a
scheme which has its practical ad-
vantages.

In the first place, a lottery unques-
tionably is a big revenue producer.

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Start Case In Reynolds Will Affair

Winston Tobacco
Fortune at Issue In
Hearing to be Held
In Baltimore

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 8.—(AP)—Pre-
liminary arrangements for a hearing
to settle the two-year-old litigation
over the multi-million dollar estate of
the late R. J. Reynolds, North Caro-
lina tobacco king, were under way to-
day in circuit court.

Judge Eli Frank signed an order ap-
pointing Henry J. Rippenger, deputy
clerk of court, as guardian "ad litem"
for 44 minors and infant defendants
in the case.

Through its attorney general, A. A.
F. Seawell, the State of North Caro-
lina, filed an answer claiming under
a decree of its own courts \$2,000,000
in settlement of taxes.

Appointment of the acting guardian
was brought about by the Safe De-
posit and Trust Company of Balti-
more, plaintiff in the proceedings
against the 41 defendants seeking the
determination of their rights to the
estate the company holds in trust.

No answer has been filed in behalf
of Anne Cannon Smith and Libby
Holman Reynolds, first and second
wives of the late Smith Reynolds and
their children. Neither have answers
been filed for other defendants.

Rippenger filed an answer in behalf
of only 42 of the 44 minors for whom
he was named acting guardian. He
did not answer for Anne Cannon
Smith II or Christopher Smith Rey-
nolds, children of the late Smith Rey-
nolds by his first and second wives.

New Farm Measure Will Pass Senate Early Next Week

Former Vice-Presi-
dent Dies



CHARLES CURTIS.

Chas. Curtis Is Dead At Washington

Former Senator and
Former Vice-Presi-
dent Is Victim Of
Heart Attack

Washington, Feb. 8 (AP)—Charles
Curtis, former vice-president and long
time senator from Kansas, died today
at 76.

A heart attack was the cause of
Mr. Curtis' death.
Dr. George Calver, physician at the
capital, announced:
"Honorable Charles Curtis, former
vice-president of the United States of
America, died of a heart attack at
10:25 a. m. this date."

Curtis was elected to the House in
1892 and served continuously until
1907. In that year he was appointed
to the Senate, and with the exception
of a period from 1912 to 1914 contin-
ued in the Senate until his election as
vice-president in 1923.

Since expiration of his term as vice
president, Curtis has practiced law
in the capital.

He made his home with his sister,
Mrs. Edward Everett Gann. He was
a widower.

Only recently Mr. Curtis was plan-
ning to resume his political activi-
ties in the interest of Governor Alf
M. Landon, of Kansas, for the Repub-
lican presidential nomination.

Democrats and Republicans alike
mourned his passing. Leaders of his
party were counting on him in the
presidential campaign.

"I am deeply distressed to learn of the
sudden passing of my old friend,
Charles Curtis," said President Roose-
velt. "Whether they knew him as a
senator, as vice-president of the United
States or as the man he was in
his own right, his legion of friends
will remember him always affection-
ately and will mourn his passing."

"He was a fine and good friend,"
said Vice-President Garner.
When he left office in 1933, Mr.
Curtis had served in Congress longer
than any other man.

After conferring with Mrs. Gann,
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U. S. Holds For Large Warships

London, Feb. 8 (AP)—The United
States delegation to the international
naval conference, confronted by Brit-
ish, French and Italian proposals to
the technical committee for smaller
vessels maintained today its stand for
35,000-ton battleships and 10,000-ton
cruisers.

Informed sources expressed doubt
that the differences in the viewpoint
of the powers could be compromised,
in view of past positions, and looked
for the question to be turned over to
the conference as a whole for a de-
cision if the anticipated deadlock
could not be broken.

Admiral William H. Standley, United
States chief of naval operations,
who presented the American views to
the technical committee, insisted the
United States required bigger ves-
sels than those proposed by the other
powers.

Stiff Fighting Expected,
However, Before Bill
Comes to Vote On
Monday or Tuesday

BORAH QUESTIONING CONSTITUTIONALITY

Majority Leader Robinson
Says, However, It Will
Win by Two-to-One Vote;
Bounty Certificate Propo-
sed in Amendment, Paying
Farmers for Surpluses

Washington, Feb. 8 (AP)—With
Democratic leaders defending the new
farm bill and Senator Borah, Republi-
can, Idaho, questioning its constitu-
tionality, the capital expects a stiff
fight before the measure comes to a
vote in the Senate next week.
Borah said yesterday to reporters:
"A casual survey shows there is se-
rious constitutional question about
the bill."

Senator Robinson, Democrat, Ark-
ansas, majority leader, declared, how-
ever, that the Senate would pass the
measure on Monday or Tuesday by a
two to one majority, while Senator
Pope, Democrat, Idaho, said there is
good reason to believe the bill con-
forms to the Supreme Court's AAA
ruling.

Senator Connally, Democrat, Texas,
introduced an amendment yesterday.
This would pay to the surplus-produc-
ing farmer a debenture certificate, or
bounty, equal to half the tariff on a
commodity similar to the one he ex-
ports.

Redeemable to the Treasury for 98
cents on the dollar, the debenture cer-
tificates could also be employed to
pay customs duties.

The subsidy would be set at: cotton
four cents a pound; corn, seven and
a half cents a pound; tobacco, two
cents; wheat, 21 cents.

PUBLISHER PASSES AT FAYETTEVILLE

Fayetteville, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Fred
W. Vaughan, about 60, editor and pub-
lisher of the "Peoples Advocate,"
weekly newspaper, was found dead in
bed today by Mrs. Vaughan upon her
return from the deathbed of her
mother, Mrs. W. H. McKinnon, who
died yesterday in Red Springs.

Gov'r Olson In Reply To McCormack

Chicago Publisher
Called Fakir and
Charlatan; He Had
Attacked Olson

Rochester, Minn., Feb. 8.—(AP)—
Governor Floyd B. Olson, today char-
acterized Colonel Robert McCormick,
Chicago Tribune publisher, as "a
fakir" and a "journalistic charlatan"
in a reply to McCormick's assertion
at Columbus, Ohio, last night that the
Minnesota chief executive "lent aid
and assistance to gangland in its
campaign."

The publisher had said the machine
gun slaying of Walter Liggett, colorful
Minnesota editor, was an instance of
"subverters and ultra-radicals en-
deavoring to destroy the freedom of
the press, and to overthrow our form
of government."

"In Minneapolis," he told the Ohio
Newspaper Association last night "you
find gangland murdering editors and
all who cross its path."

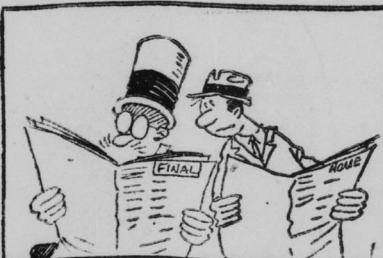
"You find an ultra-radical governor
lending aid and assistance to gang-
land in its campaign."

Governor Olson's statement follows:
"Colonel Bertie McCormick's charge
against me is false and he knows it.
He makes the charge because he is a
czarist-minded reactionary, and hates
me for what he calls 'ultra-radicalism.'"
"He is a fakir in his alleged war
on crime. The Chicago Tribune has
warred on crime only when Bertie's
political opponents have been in pow-
er, even though Chicago was the
world's worst cesspool of corruption
and crime, Bertie was silent."

"With all his talk about murder, he
is himself morally responsible for the
deaths of many persons. On August
16, 1933, during the World's Fair at
Chicago, the health department dis-
covered that a great many employees
handling food in a Chicago hotel had
morbidity, a deadly disease. Mc-
Cormick had the report suppressed.
Later more cases were discovered.
McCormick again had the findings
suppressed, and also persuaded other
newspapers of Chicago to say nothing
about it. It was not until the close
of the World's Fair that any news-
paper comment appeared. In the mean
time, many people had come to Chi-

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Increasing cloudiness and slight-
ly warmer tonight, followed by
snow in interior and rain on coast
beginning late tonight or Sunday;
colder in southwest and extreme
portions, but not quite so cold in
northeast portion Sunday.