

All Kinds Weather Being Experienced Except Heat Wave

Wind Storms on Lake and
Sea, Dust Storms in South-
west; Snow, Hail,
Sleet Also

EPIDEMICS FOLLOW IN SOME SECTIONS

Montana Has Moderate
Earthquake in Western
Part of State; Cold Winds
Drop Temperatures To
Zero in Dust Storm Areas
of Southwestern States

(By The Associated Press)
Virtually every form of atmospheric
and climatic disturbance except a
heat wave plagued some part of the
Northern Hemisphere today.

The elements dealt body blows with
wind storms on land and sea, dust
storms in the southwest, snow, hail,
sleet and rain storms in various
parts of the United States, earth-
quakes in Montana, and fires fanned
by winds.

Epidemics followed in the wake of
storms. A Hollywood, Cal., movie
company was isolated high in the
Sierras and several members of the
company, including Mary Astor, actress,
and Director Elliott Nugent, were ill
with influenza.

An undetermined malady caused
illness of hundreds of Indian children
of the Navajos tribe lands near Gal-
lup, N. M.

Montana reported a "moderate"
earthquake in the western part of
the state.

Dust storms struck part of Okla-
homa, Texas, New Mexico, Colorado
and Kansas. Cold winds dropped tem-
peratures from 50 degrees to zero.

Estimates of deaths for the last 48
hours reached 250, including at least
35 in the United States, 100 in Bul-
garian blizzards, 40 in Italy, 28 in
Great Britain and an unestimated
number in coast storms in European
waters.

GRANDDAUGHTER TO FORMER KING BORN

Rome, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The Infanta
Beatrice gave birth today to a girl,
the first grandchild of former King
Alfonso of Spain.

The spokesman for the former mon-
arch said both mother and daughter
were doing well.

Prince Alessandro Torlonia, the In-
fanta's husband, was at the hospital.

Former Queen Victoria came to
Rome recently to be near her daugh-
ter, reviving old rumors of a reconcil-
iation with Alfonso, which royalist
sources said was being promoted by
the Italian royal family, with whom
Victoria was staying.

SAY MRS. DAVIDSON HOUNDED ON WILL

Attorneys Argue Before
Jury Gets Case of Big
Staller Fortune

Charlotte, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Opposing
counsel contended Mrs. Elva Staller
Davidson was "hounded" in leaving
her \$500,000 estate to her husband, H.
Bradley Davidson, Jr., and that there
was no evidence any one influenced
her as she offered summations to-
day in the suit over her will.

Asserting the youthful Staller hei-
ress was forced to make the will in
favor of her husband of two months,
U. L. Spence, attorney for the objec-
tors, said W. M. Barton Leach, her
financial advisor, "hounded the poor
girl down" until she made it.

"Leach is smart, all right," he said

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"Inflation Insurance" Is Urged By Mr. Babson Now

Stock Market Activity Due to Sharp Rise in Business
But Also to Renewed Fear of Wild Inflation in
United States; Best Kind of Safeguards Advised

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Financial Bureau, Inc.

Babson Park, Fla., Feb. 14.—Current
interest in security markets brings
back memories of 1928. Volume of
trading is highest in several years.
Stock prices have advanced to a new
peak since 1931. Bond prices are at
record highs. Interest in "cats and
dogs" is picking up. Tips are being
freely passed around. In fact the
whole situation resembles the "good
old days" even though basic condi-
tions are far sadder today than they
were then.

Two Factors
What is behind all this market ac-

Judge in Will-Battle



Judge Don Phillips is presiding over
court at Charlotte, N. C., where
relatives of the late Elva Staller
Davidson are seeking to break the
hotel heiress' will leaving bulk of
fortune to her husband, H. Bradley
Davidson.

(Central Press)

FARMERS OF WEST AND SOUTH MERGE POLITICAL EFFORTS

That Is Interpretation Now
Being Laid on Campaign
of Farm Bureau
Federation

OLD DIFFERENCES TO BE FORGOTTEN

West Has Been Republican
and South Democratic, but
Looking Out for No. 1 Is
Nearer Their Heart Than
Either Party; Might Wield
Balance of Power

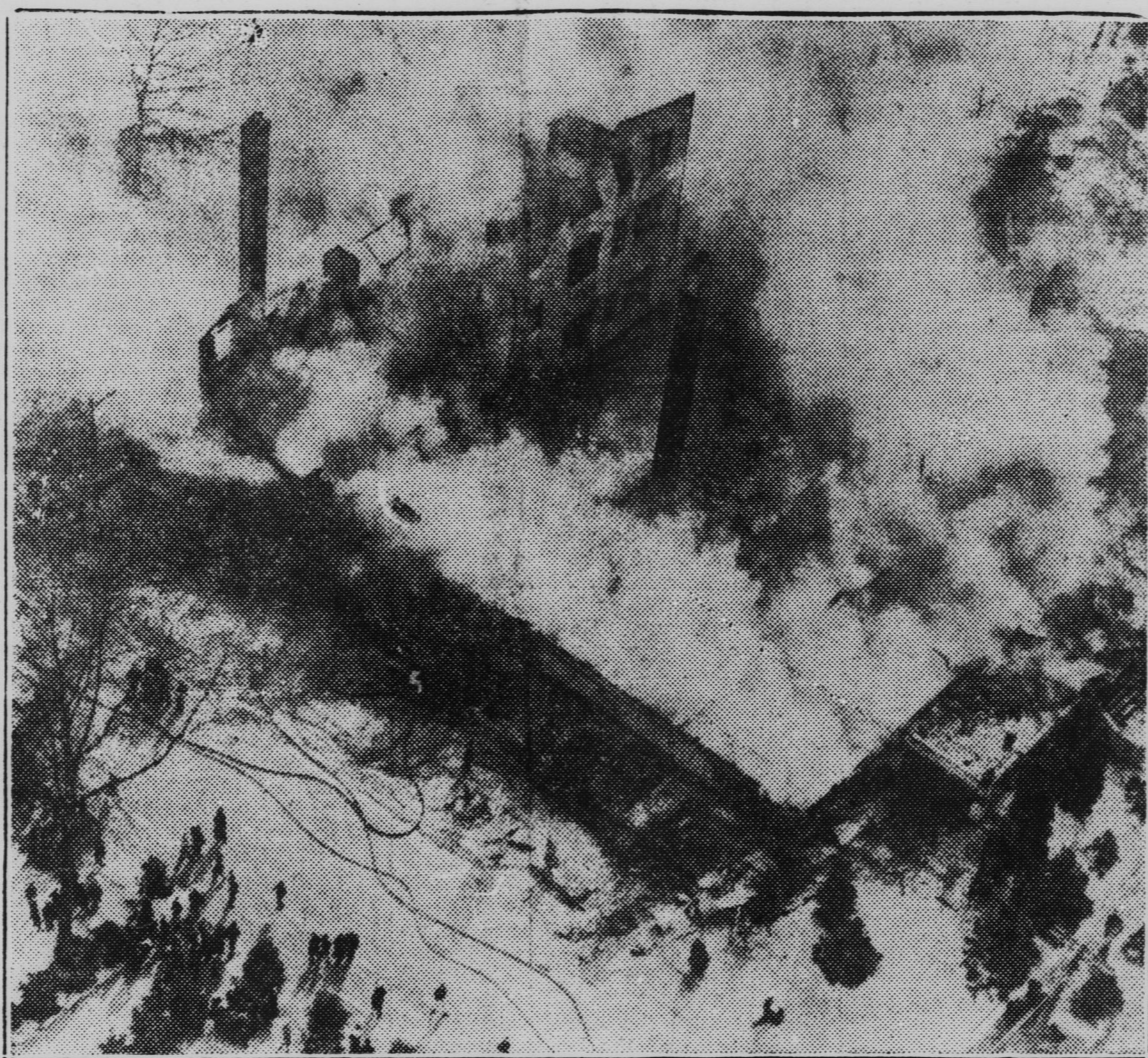
Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The St. Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILLE

Raleigh, Feb. 14.—The decision of
the American Farm Bureau Federa-
tion to come into North Carolina and
start organizing farmers, and appar-
ently into other southern states, is re-
garded as being of national as well as
Statewide significance, according to
several observers here. This action
can mean only one thing, according to
those familiar with the American
Farm Bureau and its plan of organ-
ization, namely, that the farmers of
the Middle West and Far West have
decided to seek the support and as-
sistance of the farmers in the South
and Southeast in order to exercise
enough political pressure on Congress
and the Federal government to secure
a continuation of legislation favor-
able to the farmers of the entire nation.

This was the proposal unblush-
ingly made to the 3,500 farmers of East-
ern North Carolina by President Ed-
ward A. O'Neal, of the American
Farm Bureau Federation, when he ad-
dressed them in a mass meeting Mon-
day of this week. And these farmers

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Lakewood Hotel Ruins Where 15 Burned



Early morning fire which gutted the Victoria hotel at Lakewood, N. J., summer resort brought death to 15 guests
and injured 20 others. Intense cold hampered the efforts of firemen to control the blaze and these smoking ruins.
seen from the air, remainder to tell the story.

Committee Approves Measure To Sell Government Cotton

Washington, Feb. 14 (AP)—Over
the opposition of government officials,
the Senate Agriculture Committee to-
day approved the Smith bill, direct-
ing the sale of approximately 5,000-
000 bales of government-owned cotton
in weekly blocks of between 20,000 and
25,000 bales. The vote was 13 to 2.

The bill, introduced by Senator

Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, com-
mittee chairman, had been before the
committee nearly two weeks for sec-
ret hearings.

It would set up a board of three to
sell the cotton. Smith contends the
large government holdings are a drag
on the market, and disposing of them
in small weekly allotments would not
affect prices. He argues 25,000 bales
the maximum allowed to be sold at

one time, is less than ten percent of
the world consumption of American
cotton in one week.

Oscar Johnston, manager of the
Cotton Producers Pool, and first vice-
president of the Federal Commodity
Credit Corporation, which controls
much of the cotton, described the bill
as "unsound," in that it proposed "ar-
bitrary withdrawal of the staple with-
out regard to demand."

Graham May Be First To Open Office

Belief In Raleigh
Still Is That John
Hinsdale Will Man-
age His Campaign

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Raleigh, Feb. 14.—Lieutenant Gov-
ernor A. H. (Sandy) Graham is now
expected to be the first to announce
the selection of a campaign manager
or managers and the first to open
campaign headquarters here. Graham
is already credited with having done
more intensive organization work out-
side the State than any of the other
three candidates for the Democratic
nomination for governor and if he be-
comes the first to announce his cam-
paign managers and to set up his
State headquarters here, he will un-
doubtedly score another point against
his opponents, according to much op-
inion here.

Hinsdale Is Talked.

The report persists in political cir-
cles here that former State Senator
John Hinsdale, of Raleigh, and Wake
county, militant luxury tax advocate
and bitter opponent of the general
sales tax in the 1931 and 1933 General
Assemblies, will eventually consent to
manage Graham's campaign, although
at the present time Hinsdale declines
to say whether he will or will not
manage it or whether he has even
been asked to take the job. The pre-
vailing belief, however, is that Gra-

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Four Discharged In Cheating Ring In U. of So. Car.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 14 (AP)—Dis-
charge of four students for running a
"cheating ring" was announced by
the Student Council of the University
of South Carolina at the climax of an
inquiry into another southern campus
cheating scandal.

The council issued a statement say-
ing four students were dismissed "for
illegally procuring and selling exami-
nations" during the mid-year tests
held January 24 through February 1.

It said charges were preferred
January 31. The council met repeat-
edly since that time in secrecy, con-
ducting an inquiry similar to that
held by the University of North Caro-
lina Student Council in making 43
suspensions.

Authority For Court Is Argued

Washington, Feb. 14 (AP)—Amid
sharp dispute over the wisdom of lim-
iting the Supreme Court's powers, the
new \$500,000,000 farm bill moved to-
day toward a final Senate vote, pre-
dicted late today or tomorrow.

Senator Robinson, the Democratic
leader, contended the court had "im-
peached" the value of its AAA de-
cision by holding agriculture was a lo-
cal problem.

From the opposite side of the cham-
ber, Senator Dickinson, Republican,
Iowa, declared the basic question is
"whether we are going to do away with
the old system of government by
majority."

"It would be destroyed," Dickinson
said, "if a law were passed barring
the court from declaring acts uncon-
stitutional."

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Liggett Slaying Case To Be Given Jury Next Monday

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 14.—(AP)—
The defense rested today in the
trial of Isadore (Kid Cann) Blumen-
feld, former bootlegger charged with
first degree murder in the slaying of
Walter Liggett, newspaper publisher,
last December 9.

Thomas McMeekin, counsel for
Blumenfeld, before resting, asked the
court to permit the jury to view the
scene of the slaying before it began
its deliberations.

When Prosecutor Fred Pike said
the state had no objection, Judge Ar-
thur Selover said he would arrange
for the visit sometime tomorrow.

The State immediately called the
first of its rebuttal witnesses. The
case is expected to go to the jury
sometime Monday.

OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Cloudy, scattered showers to-
night, changing to snow flurries
in the mountains; colder in west
portion tonight; Saturday partly
cloudy and colder.

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Taber Urges Growers To Cooperation

Grange Head Says
Court Decision Did
Not Deprive Farm-
ers of Their Rights

Greensboro, Feb. 14.—(AP)—"The
United States Supreme Court, in mak-
ing the third most important decision
in its history, did not kill the farm-
ers' rights to equality," declared L. J.
Taber, of Columbus, Ohio, master of
the National Grange, today when asked
for his opinion relative to the re-
cent AAA ruling.

"The court only turned thumbs
down on the method then employed,"
said the Grange leader. "Our chal-
lenge is immediately to find a pro-
gram that will give to American agri-
culture equality and justice. I have no
doubt that this can be done if the farm-
ers will organize and cooperate as
they should."

National Master Taber arrived in
Greensboro this morning from Wash-
ington, where yesterday he was in
conference with President Roosevelt
and congressional leaders relative to
the legislative program designed to
supplant AAA.

Royalists In France May Force Crisis

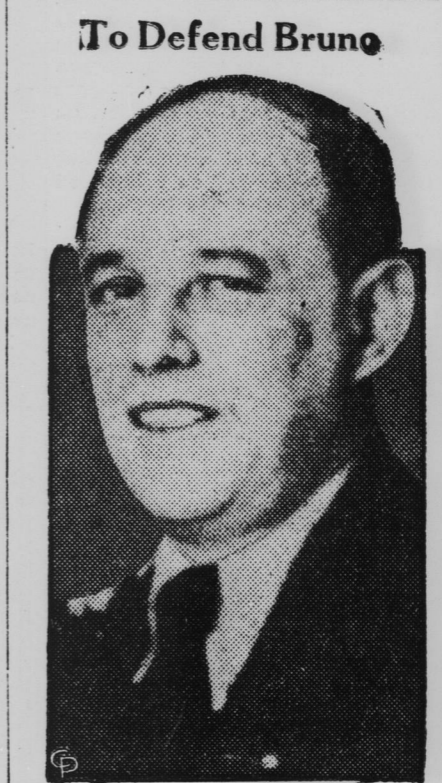
Organization Dis-
solved and Premier
Sarrait Takes
Hand in Situation

Paris, Feb. 14 (AP)—The outlawing
of France's royalist brigade, the
"king's henchmen," provoked short-
lived disorders and aroused apprehen-
sion today over possible consequences
of the ban, virtually defied by the
most militant royalists.

Premier Sarrait, whose decree dis-
solving all militant royalist organi-
zations in France was signed by Pres-

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HOUSE GROUP GIVES OKAY TO EXTENSION OF NEUTRALITY ACT



To Defend Bruno
Samuel Liebowitz, nationally-known
attorney and defender of the Scotts-
boro boys, has joined Bruno Richard
Hauptmann's defense in his "last
ditch" fight to escape the electric
chair.

S. C. HIGHWAY HEAD ORDERED RESTORED

Circuit Judge Says Gover-
nor Overstepped Au-
thority in Ouster

LONG OPINION GIVEN

Governor Is Enjoined from Further
Action Toward Chief Highway
Commissioner in His
Long Controversy

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 14.—(AP)—
Circuit Judge G. Duncan Bellinger to-
day reinstated Chief Highway Com-
missioner Ben Sawyer and permanent-
ly enjoined Governor Olin Johnston
from further removal proceedings
against the official he had made the
central target of his long highway
fight.

Judge Bellinger handed down a 40-
page order granting all three requests
made in a petition by Sawyer last
Monday. The order declared John-
ston's suspension of Sawyer void, can-
celled an executive rule for him to
show cause why he should not be per-
manently removed from office, and
enjoined the governor from further
action.

There circuit judge held that the
State Highway Commission, which
had elected Sawyer to serve until 1938
had the exclusive right, under State
law, to dismiss him.

Governor Johnston had ousted the
commission twice with the State mil-
lita October 28 and by quasi-judicial
proceedings December 6, in a long
battle to displace it as "extravagant"
and "politically dictatorial."

Cotton Consumed Shows Increases For Last Month

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Cotton
consumed during January was re-
ported by the Census Bureau today to
have totaled 591,300 bales of lint, and
55,974 of linters, compared with 498-
329 and 55,170 for December last, and
550,553 and 61,024 for January last
year.

Imports for January totaled 14,547
bales, compared with 12,738 for De-
cember last, and 7,682 for January
last year.

Exports for January totaled 525-
636 bales of lint and 17 of linters,
compared with 877,480 and 40,785 for
December last, and 465,711 and 12-
573 for January last year.

SMITH, TALMADGE WILL BE PROBLEM

Talmadge Likely to be Bar-
red from Convention,
But Not Al Smith

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Washington, Feb. 14.—The Franklin
D. Roosevelt management does not
take at all seriously assertions by
such politicians as Governor Eugene
Talmadge of Georgia that the present
White House tenant will not even be
renominated at the Democratic con-

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Adds Provisions Restricting
Loans and Credits To
Nations Warring
Each Other

AMERICAN NATIONS PARTIALLY EXEMPT

Law Will Not Apply to
Them When Fighting Non-
American Nation; Monroe
Doctrine Fully Recogniz-
ed in Act; Passage in
House Monday Predicted

Washington, Feb. 14 (AP)—The
House Foreign Affairs Committee to-
day unanimously approved a bill to
extend the present neutrality law un-
til May 1, 1937, with additional pro-
visions for restricting loans and cred-
its to belligerents and exempting
Latin-American nations at war with
non-American countries.

Virtually identical to a measure al-
ready reported out of the Senate
(Foreign Relations Committee, the
measure is expected to be called up in
the House Monday.

That procedure will prevent amend-
ments, limit debate to 40 minutes and
require a two-thirds vote on passage.
The bill would advance to May 1,
1937, the present February 29 expira-
tion date of the existing neutrality
law, which directs the President to
place embargoes on shipments of
war implements to belligerent na-
tions. Loans and credits to warring
nations would be held down to short
term commercial amounts sufficient
for normal peacetime trade.

The amendment to make the pro-
posed law inapplicable to American
republics fighting non-American pow-
ers was in recognition of principles
of the Monroe Doctrine.

Roosevelt Is Not Endorsing Plan of Low-Cost Housing

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The
White House emphasized today that
the "go-ahead" signal given Senator
Wagner, Democrat, New York, for the
drafting of housing legislation did not
represent a presidential endorsement
for any specific plan.

Mr. Roosevelt, while interested in
the low-cost housing problem, de-
scribed the proposal today as still very
much in the preliminary stage.

The President's discussion yester-
day with Wagner, Secretary Mergen-
thau, and Peter Grimm, Morgenthau's
housing advisor, covered slum clear-
ance, low-cost housing loans and sub-
sidies to local communities and an ex-
tended authority to insure loans for
home modernization and repair.

Wagner said he would draft a bill
along these lines and introduce it be-
fore March 1 for action this session.
He put the Federal cost the first year
at between \$300,000,000 and \$400,000-
000.

FLOODS IN PROSPECT IN CAROLINA RIVERS

Raleigh, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Floods
were in prospect again today for
Eastern North Carolina streams.
The Weather Bureau here issued
"advisory warnings" that over-
flows could be expected in the
Cape Fear, Tar, Neuse and Roa-
noke rivers, due to rains and
melting sleet and snow but the
stages expected were not forecast.

Warning To Japan Given By Soviets

Frightful Conse-
quences Forecast if
Border Incidents
Are Continued

Moscow, Feb. 14 (AP)—Coincident
with publication of reports of a Japa-
nese-Manchukuan invasion of Soviet-
advised Outer Mongolia, the authori-
tative Soviet writer, Karl Radek, de-
clared in Izvestia today that Japa-
nese militarists "have lost their minds"
and warned them not to try the So-
viet's nerves.

"They will learn our nerves are in
complete order, and if necessary, our
hands, too," Radek asserted.

Numerous clashes have occurred re-
cently along the Manchukuoan-Outer
Mongolian border, the most serious a
clash between Japanese-Manchukuoan
troops and Outer Mongolian forces
Wednesday, in which Soviet dispat-
ches said ten Japanese-Manchukuoans

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