

2,000 FEDERALERS SLAIN; MADRID MAY FALL

DEAD GIRL'S UNCLE CONVINCED SLAYING WAS "INSIDE" JOB

Prof. Clevenger Says At Raleigh He Would Not Be Surprised By An Early Arrest

BITS OF EVIDENCE ARE BEING TESTED

Hoover's Bureau In Washington Aiding In Inquiry; Sheriff Brown Says Case Will Crack Yet, Though His Two Weeks Deadline Has Already Passed

Asheville, July 30 (AP)—The two weeks Sheriff Laurence E. Brown allotted to "crack" the Clevenger case ended today with the murder mystery apparently still far from a solution. Brown, the chief investigator of the hotel-room slaying of 18-year-old Helen Clevenger, said, however, he was still confident of solving the crime, though it might take a long time. At Washington, J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the bureau of investigation, reported three Asheville detectives had turned over to him "several pieces of evidence" which he was having studied by chemists in the bureau's laboratory. Hoover said he could not tell how long it would take to complete the analysis. He declined to describe the nature of the evidence which Asheville authorities were said to believe would aid materially in identifying the slayer. Statements from persons who stay—

Find New Clue In Clevenger Murder

Asheville, July 30 (AP)—Captain Fred Jones, chief of the Asheville detective force, said today a clue picked up in the slain Helen Clevenger's hotel room, and now being examined by Federal Bureau of Investigation chemists in Washington "is liable to break the case." "I can't tell you what the clue is," he said, "but I'll tell you this. It's liable to break the case. It will either be a strong link in a chain or it won't amount to a hill of beans."

Hold-Up Of Reynolds To Be Dropped

Action of Mexican Authorities Appears Satisfactory to Washington

Washington, July 30 (AP)—The State Department had not been informed officially today of the highway hold-up in Mexico yesterday of Senator Reynolds, Democrat, North Carolina, and it appeared unlikely that any formal inquiry into the incident would be made. Although declining to comment on—

Knox Will Accept G. O. P. Nomination At Meet Tonight

Chicago, July 30 (AP)—Colonel Frank Knox, Chicago newspaper publisher and former rough rider, takes the stage tonight to accept the Republican vice-presidential nomination and to amplify the party's 1936 challenge. The Chicagoan will officially be notified in ceremonies beginning at 7:30 o'clock, eastern standard time, at the big Chicago stadium. His speech was expected to be the second half of the Republican party's statement of aims in the current campaign. It will supplement the 45-minute address delivered last week in Topeka by his running mate, Governor Alf M. Landon of Kansas.

Outlook Is Strong For '36 Cotton

Washington, July 30 (AP)—A strong market position for cotton was indicated today by the Agriculture Department report on world cotton prospects. Rising prices during June and early July were attributed to the high level of world consumption of American cotton, compared with last year, the small supply in private hands, reduction in stocks of government-financed cotton, and a belief that the com—

Scattered Skirmishes Reported Over Nation As Campaign Starts

Washington, July 30 (AP)—Scattered political skirmishing occurred all over the map today, while in Chicago Republican leaders gathered for the notification of Colonel Frank Knox, the last formal ceremony before the parties rush to the campaign wars. The skirmishing included a speech by Chester C. Davis, prominent New Dealer, declaring that the country should be on guard against a "mad priest," an impractical dreamer, and a political charlatan. He said at Blackstone, Va., that "the greatest danger ahead of America lies in the false and inflaming propaganda of the demagogues." At another point in the campaign

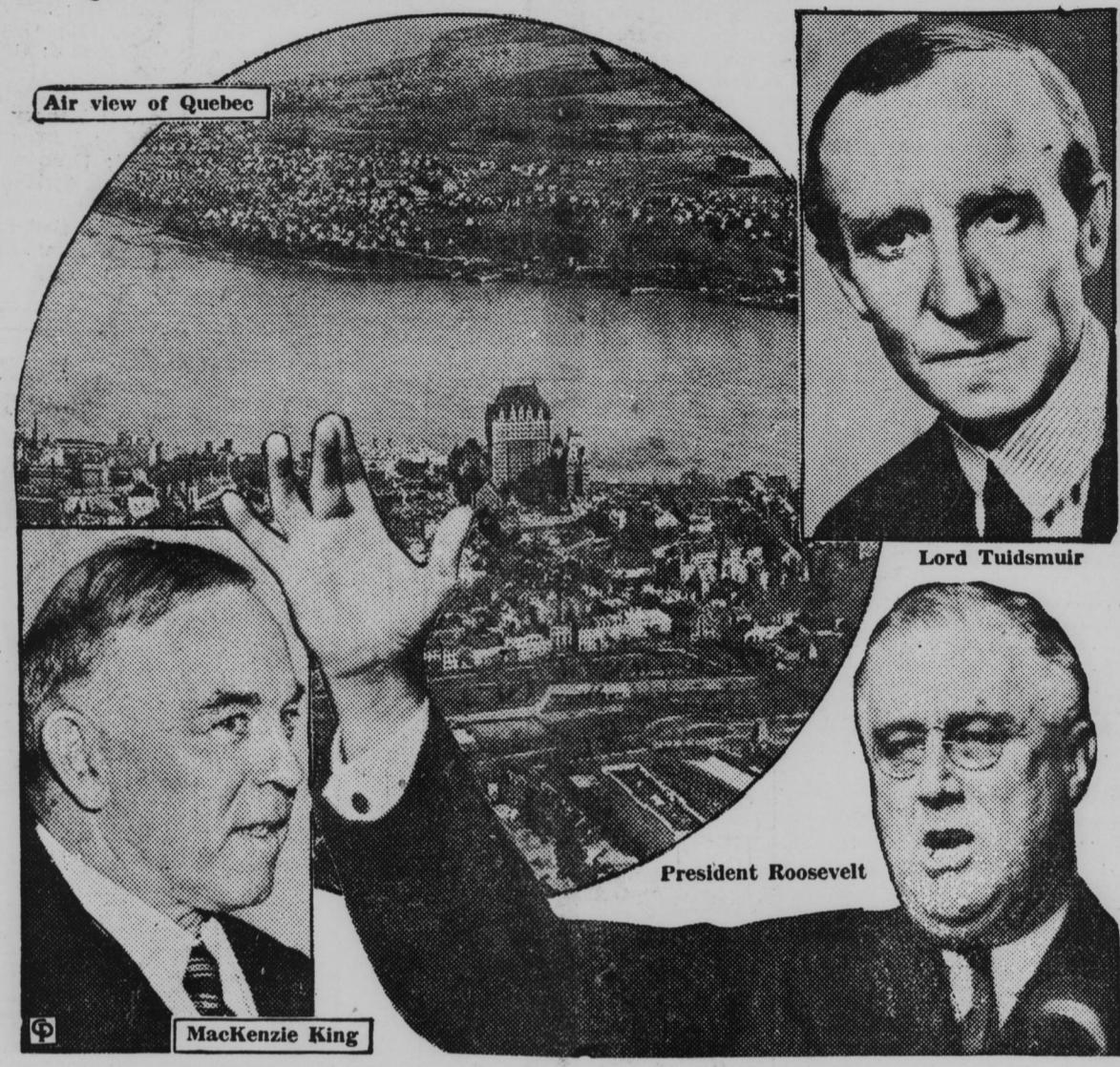
Farm Belt Desert Is Not Feared By Wallace, He Says

Washington, July 30 (AP)—The theory that droughts may convert much of the farm belt into a desert is doubted by Secretary Wallace. Asked at a press conference late yesterday whether he thought the area would become waste land, the secretary of agriculture shook his head negatively, but added: "The dry years 1930-34 and 1936 make you want to keep your mind open." Wallace indicated a hope that "the laws of chance" would bring sufficient moisture to prevent droughts in coming years.

British-Russian Naval Agreement Bared at London

London, July 30 (AP)—An Anglo-Russian naval agreement "on all points" was announced in Whitehall today. No date was set for signing the treaty, but it was stated to be completely drafted. All that now remains to be done officials said, is to inform other powers which are parties to the Washington naval treaty, including France, the United States and Japan, and other governments with which Great Britain is now negotiating bilateral treaties.

QUEBEC PLAYS HOST TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT



The historic city of Quebec plays host to the dignitaries of two nations when President Franklin D. Roosevelt on his arrival. A reception for the president by Lord Tuidsmuir, governor general of Canada, follows the program of welcome.

Florida, Georgia Will Feel Tropic Hurricane By Night

Jacksonville, Fla., July 30 (AP)—The Weather Bureau predicted in its 10 a. m. advisory statement that a tropical storm moving across the Gulf of Mexico would strike the north west Florida coast during the middle or latter part of the day with winds of "probable hurricane intensity."

Persons in low places were cautioned against rising tides, which already were advancing this morning. West Florida communities batten-down to withstand the blow. Hurricane warnings flow over a wider area as the Weather Bureau extended them from Cedar Key to

Pensacola. Southern Georgia was told to expect rain and possibly gales when the disturbed mass of air moved inland. Grady Norton, meteorologist in the Weather Bureau's storm warning service, said the disturbance will probably lose its force rapidly as it passes over land. He saw a possibility that the drought, still persisting in some parts of northern Georgia and North and South Carolina, might be ended when the dying storm swings over these sectors.

WASHINGTON FEARS EUROPEAN TROUBLE

Americans in Inland City in Dangerous Plight During Revolution

By CHARLES F. STEWART, Central Press Staff Writer

Washington, D. C. July 30—It is noteworthy that the State and Navy Departments, considering the desirability of keeping a squadron of American warships in European waters, suggest that such a policy may be a necessity on account of "generally disturbed conditions" in that part of the world. They do not confine themselves to mentioning conditions in Spain as disturbed. They give the impression that Spain's borders simply have reminded them of the threat of similar trouble here, there and almost anywhere—civil trouble or international trouble, which will make American sojourners in whatever may be the afflicted area mightily anxious for an emergency refuge under the Stars and Stripes. All of which goes to show how apprehensive the Washington government is in regard to the European outlook.

Corn Acreage Is Nearly Half Lost

Washington, July 30 (AP)—The Department of Agriculture reported today that about half the total corn acreage in the states of Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and South Dakota was "damaged beyond recovery for grain production" as of July 28.

NEW SCHOOL BUSES SENT TO COUNTIES

Total of 132 Now in Process of Delivery for Early Opening

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, July 30—A lot of 132 new school buses are now in process of delivery to 29 counties, principally in the eastern and Piedmont sections, where "split terms" are still operated, making it necessary for the school term to begin early in August. It was learned today from the State School Commission. Under the "split term" plan, the school session begins usually the first week in August, runs until about September 15 and then a recess is taken until about November 1, in order to permit the children to help on the farms, principally with the cotton picking or other farm work in the late fall. "Some of these 132 new school buses have already been delivered and the others will be delivered either by the latter part of this week or the first of next week," Charles C. Brown in charge of bus transportation for the school commission, said today. "Last year we were not able to de—

GRISSOM ECONOMY CLAIMS UNSTABLE

Would Be Impossible to Cut State Costs As G. O. P. Nominee Says

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, July 30—Gilliam Grissom, the Republican candidate for governor of North Carolina, is declaring that if he is elected governor he can operate the State government so much more economically than have past Democratic governors—although no governor actually "operates" the State government—that the sales tax can be abolished without recourse to any other revenue.

Soil Act Is Liberalized In New Rule

Washington, July 30 (AP)—The AAA today made two new regulations under the soil conservation act intended to help farmers in the east central region meet drought conditions and still qualify for payments under the 1936 farm program. States in this region are Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. One change, the AAA said, allows farmers to qualify land for soil conservation rating if it is seeded by September 1 with soil conserving crops, provided no soil depleting crop is harvested from the land this year. The other allows payments for land seeded with perennial grasses, or in which green-manure crops are growing, if soil building crops seeded on

FRANCE MAY ASSIST LEFTISTS TO STALL DICTATOR IN SPAIN

Defends Americans



Col. Stephen O. Fuqua, military attaché at Madrid, is the only American army officer in Spain at present. He is chiefly responsible for the defense of the Embassy, where 148 Americans have taken refuge.

Fascist Rebels, Meantime, Announce Revolt of Government Garrison at Valencia

AMERICANS TRYING TO FLEE COUNTRY

Some Already at Valencia and Others Are Headed There, Despite Outbreak at That Seaport on Mediterranean; Battle Rages To Control Zaragoza

(By The Associated Press) Two thousand loyal troops marching on the northeastern Spain rebel stronghold of Zaragoza were ambushed and slain not far from their goal, remnants of their column reported today. Mountaineers who had comprised part of the loyalist troops charged with destroying rebel control of Zaragoza related to French officials across the border that machine gun fire had been poured upon them at a path in the hills. Further, they said, other columns in the march on the city had to fall back to reorganize their lines due to the defeat.

Fall of Madrid Near As rebel sources circulated reports that it would be only a matter of a few hours until Madrid itself was surrounded so tightly that foreign diplomats could not leave, a general exodus of beleaguered Americans to Valencia got under way.

(By The Associated Press) Fascist insurgents announced the revolt of the government garrison at Valencia, Mediterranean Spanish seaport, today even as more Americans fled Madrid toward that city to escape from revolt-torn Spain. Thirty Americans already are in Valencia, nine entrained at the capi—

HUTSON EXPLAINS SOIL PROGRAM TO STATE'S FARMERS

Grower Cut His Crop Under Old AAA, But Improves His Soil Under New Agreement

TOBACCO ACREAGE ONE-FOURTH LESS Cotton Off About Same But Soybeans Increased 65 Percent and Alfalfa 35 Percent by Comparison With 1928-32 Period; Erosion Dangers Explained

Raleigh, July 30 (AP)—Farmers and farm women of North Carolina had the new Federal soil improvement program explained to them in detail by J. B. Hutson, director for the eastern region, and heard H. H. Bennett, director of the Federal soil conservation service, point out the advantages of stopping soil erosion and rebuilding farm lands. Hutson spoke at the general morning session of Farm and Home Week on the general soil improvement program, and a special session devoted to discussion of the problems of tobacco farmers. Explaining the difference between the old AAA and the new soil program, Hutson said a farmer contract—

Navy 'Spy' Denies He Is Traitor

Washington, July 30 (AP)—John S. Farnsworth, whose career in the American navy ended dismally in court martial a number of years ago, angrily denied in the District of Columbia Federal court today that he had betrayed his country's defense secrets to a foreign power. Strengthened and staid by a two weeks "rest" in the District of Columbia jail, the former lieutenant commander appeared before Justice Oscar Lurhing to plead innocent to two offenses charged by a Federal grand jury. The indictment, returned by the jury last week, said Farnsworth had delivered a confidential navy publication to a Japanese agent in August 1934. It also charged that he attempted to make such a delivery. Farnsworth was returned to the district jail after today's arraignment to await trial before a Federal court jury early in October.

Cooling Rains Bring Relief To The State But Wind Hits Crops

Raleigh, July 30 (AP)—Cooling and heavy rains, accompanied by damaging winds in some sections, visited most of North Carolina today. Elizabeth City, Edenton and the Albemarle section in the northeastern part of the State were cut off from communications most of the night by severe winds and electrical storms. At Elizabeth City there was a report the wind had destroyed a Negro school 12 miles from town, but it could not be verified, due to telephone lines being out. Salisbury, in the Piedmont section, reported widespread minor damage from winds last night. Raleigh and Wake county had wind

and hail last night. The county farm agent's office said in some instances crops in two townships were completely destroyed by hail, which swept an area about one half mile wide by four miles long. The weather was decidedly cooler, Lee A. Denson, in charge of the Weather Bureau here, said, after a hot spell which saw Wilmington have its hottest weather in 57 years, 101.7 degrees, while other parts of the State sweltered in unusually hot weather. The heavy rain, reported generally from the Virginia line across the Piedmont and central coastal plains section, probably would cause rivers to rise considerably, Benson said, but no levels could be forecast until more information is received.

OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, rain tonight except in northwest portion; cooler except in north central portion; Friday cloudy, probably rain in south and eastern parts.