Curtis Quits

The grizzled veteran of politics, Charles Curtis, who served as vice president of the nation during the Hoover regime, yesterday said he was "definitely out of politics." 'I Succumbs To A Heart am practicing law and enjoying life," "I don't have the worries of politics and make more money."

Profits Increase

A huge rise in profits of more than 70 percent during the first nine months of 1934 over the same period of the preceding year was yesterday reported by the monthly bulletin of the Federal Reserve Board. This increase occurred, the report said, in spite of a small decrease in the earnings of a number of large corporations, and showed conclusively that the smaller concerns were incurring the greater in- Seefeldt.

6 Mexicans Die

Mexico's long standing feud be- Shelby, Oct. 24th, 1865. All of his tween the Catholic church and the life was spent in Shelby except two state flared anew yesterday and re- years lived in West Virginia. At sulted in the violent deaths of four the age of 15 he joined Pleasant Catholic men and one woman by a Hill Baptist church and was bapbarrage of machine gun fire. The tised with 45 others by the Rev. G. victims were fired upon by a group M. Webb. His grandmother gave of red-shirted radicals, one of whom the land for Elizabeth church site, was afterward seized by an indig- so when it was organized, he moved nant mob and beaten to death, his membership there where it bringing the total to six.

Party Finds Plane

plane last night radioed Albany reader, had a remarkable memory A pilot of an American Airlines that a searching party had reached the plane forced down along the Amanda Dover and to this union boundary of Hamilton and Hark- were born eight children, three of imer countles Friday night. "Searching party reached plane. Food drop- Isabel, who became the wife of Mcped. We now coming back" was the Bride Poston, died 13 years ago. content of Dean Smith's terse message over the air lanes

Relief Costs High

Uncle Sam donated a liberal sum Mr. Wilson was a half brother of money to North Carolina during of the late W. Hackett Blanton of 1934, it was revealed yesterday by a Shelby, Prof. J. B. Blanton of report by Mrs. Thomas O'Berry in Moofesboro. One sister Mrs. J. D. Raleigh. Mrs. O'Berry's report shows Anders of Richmond survives. that total expenditures in both Thomas Love and Elizabeth Love CWA and ERA based on actual Wilson who formerly owned Clevefigures for 10 months and estimat- land Springs were his grandparents. ed expenditures for November and December, amounted to \$25,626,230.- Poston Arrests

In Auto Accident; Two Negroes Held

Mrs. Florence Lackey Injured, Zemri Warlick Hurt, In Crash At Fallston.

Mrs. Florence Lackey, teacher at sentenced to five year in connecthe Lawndale public school, is in a an automobile crash. His parole Lincolnton hospital, suffering from will be revoked. the loss of her right eye, and a Marshal Poston was accompanbroken leg, as the result of an au- ied on the raid by Deputy Cordell yet, but are expected here by Wed- pened, in the smallest cottage and tomobile crash near Fallston Wed- of Lawndale, Plato Ledford, and D. H. Cline, jr.

Her son-in-iaw, Zemri Warlick, day before U. S. Commissioner who was driving, her daughter and John P. Mull, and has been in jail three children were also injured, without bond in the meantime. but not seriously.

The accident occurred when the Two Small Fires Two Cars Crash car driven by Mr. Warlick collided Quickly Extinguished with a car driven by Lee Munford colored, in which four other negroes were riding. No responsibility has guished by the Shelby fire depart-

the Zion community, where they done. had spent the day. They were given first aid treatment in Fallston and taken in an ambulance to Lincolnton, where Mr. and Mrs. Warlick and Mrs. Lackey remain. The children are with their uncle, W. T. Warlick.

Two Negroes Arrested

Two of the negroes in the accident have been arrested and placthe injured persons.

TRAIN HITS CAR FRIDAY AT ETON MILL CROSSING

Seaboard passenger train No. 21 coming west Friday afternoon Alabama. crashed into a car at the Eton mill crossing owned by M. J. Dover, em-

ploye of the mill. The car was stalled on the edge Dover saw the train in time to es- 8,000,000 bales, machinery which producers. cape. The steps of the engine would enable the secretary to keep lights of the auto, but there were by the senator to be essential. no injuries with the exception of slight bruises of Mrs. Dover.

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James A. Wilson

Buried Today At

Elizabeth Church

Attack

Prominent Farmer Passes After An

Illness Of A Month; Astrono-

mer And Weather Prophet.

of Cleveland county's oldest fam-

ilies, passed away at his home on

the Cleveland Springs road Sunday

morning at 7 o'clock after an illness

afternoon at 2 o'clock at Elizabeth

Baptist church, services being in

charge of the pastor, the Rev. B.

Mr. Wilson was a farmer, astron-

omer and weather prophet. He was

a son of Samuel O. and Almina

Blanton Wilson and was born near

remained until about 1910 when he

moved it to the First Baptist

services when his health would per-

mit. Mr. Wilson was a constant

sationalist. He was married to

whom died in infancy. A daughter,

The devoted wife with four chil-

dren survive: Mrs. Jarvis Hamrick,

Mrs. Maurice Weathers, Hackett

Wilson of Shelby and Mrs. Minor

Parole Breaker

manufacture of liquor. A forty

house, and further along the dep-

Ivester was out on parole from

He was to be given a hearing to-

Two fires were quickly extin-

gress before the close of the com- Congress.

ing session by Senator Bankhead of

Senator Bankhead Will Present

New Plan For Control Of Cotton

Confronted with probable expira- President Roosevelt that in the

tion of the present law by the close event of the continuance in oper-

of the next season and the long de- ation of the Bankhead law for an-

the proposed new legislation would 36 season is now awaited.

uties came across a large still.

McSwain of Asheville.

church.

He regularly attended

Funeral services were held this

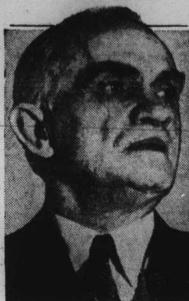
of a month with heart trouble.

James A. Wilson, member of one

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These Men Will Play Important Part In Next Congress



Representative Byrns



Representative Bankhead Prominent figures in the seventyfourth congress, opening Jan. 3, are these men-Representative Joseph Byrns of Tennessee, slated as speaker; Vice President John N. Garner, presiding senate officer; Representative John J. O'Connor of New York, chairman of the rules committee; Representative William Bankhead of Alabama, majority floor leader, and Col. Ed Halsey, secretary of the senate, in charge of that body's

many activities.





Secretary Halsey

Effect On School **Attendance Today**

Vice President Garner

Attendance Is 92 Percent Enrollment Says Superintendent Smith.

Counseled by physicians over the week-end as to the possible effects on the schools of the reported large rumber of cases of influenza in the city Captain B. L. Smith was at a loss to know whether or not to open

capture of Big Boy Bob Ivester, 250pound, six-foot offender in the find an attendance of 92 percent of in both economics and society. the enrollment of approximately Ivester, who is known under many

3,000 children. aliases, was charged with sale and Above Average.

gallon cache was found near his damp weather. Normal days give the scenes for most of the drama. the state prison, where he had been tion with the death of a woman in nesday. They are Principal and the greatest home, but only one Mrs. W. E. Abernathy, who announc- story of the lot stands forth as an ed their marriage over the holidays, authentic example of the great Mrs. Abernathy was formerly Miss emotions. That was when a simple Ethel Thomas, English teacher in mill worker, in rage and despair, the high school. Misses Claire Ed- killed the girl he loved. wards and Louise Gill have not retheir fathers.

Substitutions are Mrs. W. L. Angel, Mrs. Grover Beam, Mrs. H. G. Bail-

ey, and Mrs. Jessie White Reports from a number of schools been fixed for the crash, which was ment over the week-end. The first, in the eastern part of the state ina head-on collision as the cars on Saturday, was in a small closet dicate that a flu epidemic will keep rounded the curve in front of the in the Ellis Building on West Mar- them closed for several weeks, and bile deaths, such reports are overion street. The second, this morn- Shelby school officials are instruct-The Warlick party was returning, was at Fink's Auto Parts office ing teachers and students to take events of agriculture and industry. ing from the home of Mrs. J. M. and is believed to have started in all possible precautionary measures Wilson, Mrs. Lackey's mother, in a wastebasket. Small damage was to prevent the spreading of the di-

huge surplus stocks into the next present law in this respect is to be whole of downtown Shelby-surely,

A change of this nature would be

in fulfillment of the pledge of

Flu Has Little Industry And Agriculture First In News During '34

Picture of Swiftly Changing Economic Order Seen In Recapitulation Of Year's Ten

By CAMERON SHIPP

Cleveland county resolved itself into the task of retracing steps of a parade of dramatic economic events unparalleled

the city schools on regular sche-Woman Loses Eye Deputy U. S. Marshal 1 Mack Poston this morning reported the morning Superintendent Smith said ments of a changing sometimes he was most agreeably surprised to faltering, sometimes dazzling, order

> King Cotton, sometimes jovially happy, sometimes puzzled, some-This figure is much above the times shackled, finally exhalted, average for the first day after holi- plays the lead in six of the actions. days and especially for rainy and The hand of the New Deal shifts about 95 percent of the enrollment. Oddly enough, stories of pity and Attendance on the part of the tragedy, crime and passion, so children totaled up a higher per- frequent in any twelvemonth anycentage than the teachers in the where, are pushed aside in a recity schools were able to muster capitulation of the year's import-Four teachers have not reported as ant occurences. These things hap-

> No stories of crime were supturned on account fo the illness of pressed by this newspaper, but the vear's record shows that Cleveland was unusually free from crimes of violence, Murder, assault, burglary and accident blot the pages of the files, but with the exception of the Sentell case, possibly of the heroic story of young J. R. Downs, and the appalling number of automo-

> > shadowed in value by the greater

Events That Mattered In choosing these ten stories, your correspondent has been guided by the thought that they should be the events which, more than any others, not only interested but vitally affected the greatest number of people. Often, they were not the most entertaining stories to read. Surely, the drowning of Miss Pearl Fulton in Kings Mountain, WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-A plan | follow the lines of the present law. the suicide of V. E. McDaniel in of permanent control of cotton pro- but with definite power vested in Asheville, the arrest of F. F. Black, and Charlie Hall. They have not duction patterned after the present the secretary of agriculture to grant the death of Leander Hamrick, been given a hearing pending fur- act, which would have the effect of exemptions from the operations of Bob Kendrick's duel to the death, ther word as to the condition of giving to the secretary of agricul- those provisions in the case of farm- the escape of fourteen prisoners ture a powerful weapon against ers whose base production is two from the state prison camp, and a overproduction and the carrying of bales or less. Amendment of the fire that threatened to destroy the

> crop year, will be presented to Con- made during the coming session of stories about these things were im-(Continued on page two.)

Dividends Are Paid

lay that may occur in the liquida- other year he would recommend to of the track but Mr. and Mrs. tion of the carryover of more than Congress an exemption for small lars in dividends was paid just be-directly involved. series immediately.

Best Cleveland Stories

Choosing the ten biggest news stories of the year in and unique in the history of this or any other county.

10 Biggest Stories Here During 1934 And Cotton Is King

Following are the ten biggest news stories in Cleveland county during 1934, as selected by the news editor of The Star. They were picked not only for color and human interest, but because they recount events which affected the lives of the greatest number of persons.

1. The general textile strike. 2. The huge increase in cotton values. 3. The Cleveland Cloth mill

4. The Webb hospital gift. 5. Hoey boomed for governor

6. Bankhead bill upheld. 7. Cleveland county fair.

8. CWA. PWA and FERA gifts. 9. Sentell kills Florence Jones. 10. Tragic highway accidents.

Clyde Hoyle is in the Cleveland county jail, unable to put up a \$400 bond, bound over for Superior court on a charge of stealing cotton seed from Lloyd Elliott.

Beach Grayson was bound over, under \$500, and is also in jail, on chine. charges of embezzlement of potatoes and gasoline belonging to Sam

Discuss State Issues

Bond Scheme

Opposition to diversion of highway funds and support for the general sales tax were expressed by Senator Carl Thompson and Representative Ernest Gardner, who will

in the legislature, opening Jan. 9. Mr. Thompson, who will be in Raleigh for the first time, declared that it was his intention to keep quiet, introduce no new legislation. and try to learn the ropes during the first 30 days.

Favors Sales Tax.

"I didn't make any campaign promises," he said, 'except I said I would support the sales tax unless somebody could show me a better system, and I have no new local legislation to offer."

Both representatives said they would vote for a continuance of North Carolina's current stand on prohibition, this being clearly the mandate of the county voters. For School Teachers.

Both are in favor of increased salaries for school teachers, and both are opposed to the plan whereby the state would take over the counties' bonded road indebtedness. "I'm against that," said Mr. Gardner, "because it would saddle counties like Cleveland with the debts of other counties that overstepped themselves. Many of them defaulted, and I don't see why we should be stuck on their account." Gardner will support Grady Johnson for speaker of the house he declared.

Drainage District. He has only one piece of local legislation in mind, which he will introduce, he said, if the voters affected desire it. That would be a bill to eliminate the Buffalo Creek drainage district, which now acts These are the lawyers who will deas a lien upon certain properties, fend Richard Bruno Hauptmani and is thus a hindrance in financ- when he goes on trial Wednesday

He also has in mind some legisla- the murder and kidnaping of the tion revising the tax foreclosure Lindbergh baby. law, which as it now stands sets the costs at \$6.50—too low, he declared

about three months. Mr. Thompson will leave on the Mr. Thompson will leave on the eighth, and will be at the Sir Walter. Mr. Gardner will leave on the sixth, and will be at the Carolina

Rutherford Boy Killed As Auto Skids In Lenoir

LENOIR, Dec. 90. - Thrown against the pavement when his light automobile skidded at a railroad crossing, Dowell Annas, 19-year-old Rutherford college student, was instantly killed here this morning. Annas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wal-

ter Annas, of Saw Mills, near here, Two Are Bound Over sustained a badly crushed skull. His companion, Brittian Annas, uncle For January Trial of the wreck victim, was painfully injured.

The accident occurred at 8:00 o'clock this morning. Annas apparently lost control of the strip-down roadster as it skidded at the crossing, careened into an electric light pole, and overturned on the pavement, pinning his body in the ma-

Funeral service will be held at struck a submerged obstruction as Evangelism." Saw Mills tomorrow afternoon. Surviving the youth are his par- racol, and sank within a few min-

Cleveland Solons Shelby Post Office Uphold Sales Tax, Sets All-Time Mark; State Representatives Shows Business Boom

Both Take Dry Stand, Favor Larger Tops 1933 Receipts By Eighteen Per Cent,
Teacher Salaries, Oppose
Thus Recoming First Class Office Mail Thus Becoming First Class Office; Mill Receipts Biggest Item

Flying cancellation marks in the Shelby post office this year thumped off an all time record for receipts, lifting the office automatically back into first class, increasing the postmaster and assistant postmaster's salaries, and emphatically leave this week to take their seats indicating how rapid and how substantial has been business

recovery here this year. Defends Bruno

J. Reilly; below, C. Lloyd Fisher

at Flemington, N. J., charged with

In Night Blaze

to G. B. (Billy) McSwain, near the

yards from the house, across the

road, was seen in flames about 10

o'clock, and the blaze developed so

rapidly that all efforts could not

A fine pair of mules, two cows

and one hog were trapped and

burned to death. A quantity of feed

stuff and about 15 bushels of corn

were also lost. A bale of cotton, in

The barn was partly covered by

insurance but there was no protec-

25 Drowned

were drowned at Tampico, Mexico,

vesterday in te sinking of a pas-

a near-by crib, was saved.

tion on his personal property.

Pleasant Ridge church.

extinguish it.

Never before, not in the wivid boom years of 1928 and '29, has the post office equalled this year's business. Total receipts were \$51,462.45.

Increase Of 18 Per Cent. In 1933, receipts were \$43,285.89, which means there was an increase of \$8,176.56, or a fraction more than 18 per cent.

This record was more than ample to lift the office back to a first class rating which it lost under the Economy Act in 1932. The requirement is \$44,500. The office has always done about \$40,000 which would have kept it first class save

for that Economy Act. Heliday Receipts Up. Christmas business helped swell the total. The month of Decemi showed \$3,017.96 more than the same month a year ago.

Postmaster Quinn and Assistant Postmaster Laughridge, both highly delighted when they were asked for the figures this morning, said that they thought the general business increase was responsible for the upswing, and cited the increased business given them by the Lily Mill as the largest single item.

FERA Expenses For Ten Months Tops \$25,000,000

RALEIGH, Dec. 30 .- Total expenditures in both CWA and ERA. He expects the session to last Barn Destroyed, months and estimated expension three months. es for November and D amounted to \$25,626,230.70 in No

Tolina for the year 1934, 11 was on March 31 demobiliza ...A was virtually completed and

ERA was continued on a Fire of undetermined origin last night destroyed the barn belonging Expenditures in the two organizations were \$21,927,080.70 for the period January 1 to Novem The barn, which is only a few

For the month of November

total of \$25,626,230.70.

Group Off Today To Sunday School Meet

744.325 was allotted to the state and

for December \$1,954,825, making a

Dr. Wall To Speak Twice At South-wide Sunday School Gathering.

Dr. Zeno Wall, president of the State Baptist convention is on the program for two speeches at the Southwide Baptist convention being At least 25 women and children held this week in Raleigh. His subject on Tuesday is "Con Through the Bible." On Wednesday senger launch in the Panuco river. his subject will be The boat, en route to Tampico, Through Growth in Numbers and

Attending the convention from it pulled into the landing at El Cathe First church, Shelby, are Dr Wall, Miss Dorothy Washbu companied by Yates Wall who returns to Wake Forest and Dr. Ed Byrd of Mississipped. In other cars will go Mrs. Earl Hamrick, Mrs. J. A. Lyles, Miss Charlotte Tedder, Mrs. J. C. Whitaker, Mrs. Rush Stroup. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Seefeldt will go tomorrow.

Bond Approved For Contracting Firm On Local Postoffice

Clarence Morrison of the contract-

ing firm of Morrison Falls Co., received yesterday notice from the U. S. Treasury Department at Washing ton that bond had been approved and that instructions would be sent fight; soon to proceed with the enlarge-

County Has 43 Violent Deaths Last Year As Autos Lead With 19 And Guns Account For 12

ed in an examination of the files ball bats, spider bites and the like. Lewis, auto; Rev. and Mrs. J. F deaths since 1933.

According to the files, which of sons in the county. course did not include all accidents | Following are the names of the lightning. By Finance Cos. of every nature, more than 180 persons who were listed in the colpersons were injured in the acci- umns of The Star last year in the train; Lawrence Camp, Four thousand five hundred dol- dents and at least 93 others were order they were killed:

fore Christmas by the M. & J. Fl- Auto accidents take a startling Fulton, drowned; V. E. McDaniel, Whitaker, auto; Clarence McGee, ston were the successful bidders for Because of the overwhelming nance company, and \$3,750 was paid lead to total 19 deaths for the shot; Leander Hamrick, auto; R. shot; Buddy Jones, shot; J. D. Alsmashed the fenders and head- production under control is deemed vote cast in favor of the law early to 107 persons by the Cleveland year, while deaths by gun wounds C. White, shot; len, auto; Tom Ivey, falling tree; first work of the contractors will be this month, an order by Secretary County Building and Loan associa- either accident, self-inflicted, or Luther Blackwell, shot; Richard Homer Ledford, auto: Mancel to tear down the Hoey store rooms According to Senator Bankhead, Wallace continuing it for the 1935- tion. The latter is starting a new murder, come second with 12. Four Moss, shot; Florence Jones, shot; Nance, auto; J. P. Wood, shot; J. to the rear, facing on East Warren persons were drowned, three died James W. Carson, fall, Stokes R. Downs, shot.

which have involved Cleveland hanging, knife wounds, explosions, Carroll (in Raleigh), auto. county and its citizens, it is reveal- lightning, run away teams, base- Mrs. Ella Roberts, auto; LeRoy

as result of falls, while there was | Smith, auto; Elam Mayhue, auto; quite a diversity in the types of ac- James Inman, auto; Cletus Reep As a tragic climax to the series of cident injuring many others, such and Marshall Brittain, auto; Hornine important stories of the year as gas fires, acid burns, attempted ace Devinny, auto; Dr. Delia Dixon

of The Star that 43 persons either There is no accurate estimate as Moser, auto; W. E. Moore, nail in in the county or directly connected to the total property damage in the foot, plus tetanus anti-toxin; Izetta with the county have met violent accidents which took violently al- Wright and Albert Jacobs, drownmost four lives per month of per- ed; Ransom McEntyre, auto; Mrs. P. D. Hinson, auto; Robert Jones,

> Jim Branton, Felix Spencer, Sterling Morrison, auto; R. C. Les- ment of the Shelby postoffice. Mr. Ralph Crenshaw, auto; Pearl ter, auto; Joseph Oates, shot; Hoyt Morrison and Claude Falls of Fall-