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Ira Obed Schaub (1880-1971) in 1950.
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^[2]The North Carolina Crop Improvement Association ^[3], designated by state law as the official agency for seed certification in North Carolina, had its origin in the North Carolina Purebred Crop Seed Program that was conceived in the Crops and Plant Breeding Department of North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts (modern-day North Carolina State University ^[4]) in 1928. At that time a study was made of crop improvement associations in 15 states. A certification plan was then presented to Ira Obed Schaub ^[5], dean of the college's School of Agriculture and the first full-time director of the college's Agricultural Extension Services, and Governor O. Max Gardner ^[6]. The plan formed the basis of the crop seed program, which was ~~was~~ enacted into law ^[7] in 1929. The association, formed in July 1929, became a member of the International Crop Inspection Association (today the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies ^[8]), whose members are responsible for seed certification in their respective states and Canada. The association's principal office is on the N.C. State campus in Raleigh.

Additional Resources:

North Carolina Crop Improvement Association website: <http://www.nccrop.com> ^[9] (accessed November 19, 2012).

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