

ROOSEVELT FLAYS CRITICS OF AID-TO-BRITAIN PLAN

Broughton Opposes Post In Taxes

163 Millions Budget Sent To Assembly

Governor Calls on Solons To Lengthen List of Sales Tax Exemptions

RECORD EXPENDITURE

Retirement Program Of \$3,408,152 for All Employees Proposed

RALEIGH, Jan. 14.—(P)—Transmitting a proposed budget calling for the expenditure of \$163,635,382 in state money in the next biennium, Governor Broughton today urged the general assembly to maintain a balanced budget, lengthen the list of sales tax exemptions, and increase no taxes.

Go Before Committees The two measures went before their respective joint committees. Representative Bryant of Durham, a member of the advisory budget committee, today urged the assembly to maintain a balanced budget, lengthen the list of sales tax exemptions, and increase no taxes.

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SOKOLSKY REVIEWS TODAY'S PROBLEMS

Forum Speaker Calls For Program of International Exchange of Goods

"Unless the fundamental problem of food and raw materials is solved it doesn't make the slightest difference who wins this war," George E. Sokolsky, noted journalist and economist, declared at New Hanover high school last night before a large audience attending the Community Forum program.

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Young Bandits Kill Two Men In Attempted Holdup

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—(P)—Two young payroll bandits—brothers—coldly shot to death a protesting victim today in an elevator of a midtown building, then raced onto crowded Fifth Avenue, terrorized throngs of noon-day shoppers, killed a patrolman and sent a bullet into the throat of a taxi driver.

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Keeping The Army



The scene is a Libyan port—once Italian, now held by Britain's hard-fighting Army of the Nile. Australian soldiers are helping British sailors hustle supplies ashore.

Broughton Favors Port Terminal Loan; Application To RFC Is Given New Life

WRITES JESSE JONES

Governor Urges Favorable Consideration of Wilmington's Application

Urging favorable consideration of the application by the City of Wilmington to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a loan of \$635,000 to construct public port terminals here, Governor J. M. Broughton declared in a letter to Jesse Jones, RFC chairman, on January 11, "I have the conviction that the development of this port not only will serve North Carolina but will prove to be a development of national importance."

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6-DAY WORK WEEK ASKED BY MARTIN

Airplane Builder Says Congress Should Delegate Power to Draft Board

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—(P)—Glenn L. Martin, pioneer airplane builder, told congress today it should keep in mind a "bigger show" than the current arms program and delegate emergency authority to draft labor as well as authority for defense production.

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R. B. Page To Attend U. S. Defense Meeting

R. B. Page, member of the North Carolina Defense Council appointed by the Governor and chairman of the Wilmington Defense Council, a local group named by Mayor Thomas E. Cooper, has been invited to attend a three-day conference of state chairmen of similar organizations of the nation, beginning in Washington, D. C., next Monday.

SMITH IS FINED IN LOTTERY CASE

Also Receives Six Months Suspended Term After Nolo Contendere Plea

Gerge (Crip) Smith was fined \$2,000, taxed with the costs, and received a suspended six months term on the roads after entering a plea of nolo contendere to charges of conspiracy to violate the lottery laws yesterday afternoon before

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WEATHER

FORECAST North Carolina: Cloudy, possibly followed by light rain Thursday and in the mountains and on the coast Wednesday.

CONFERENCE IS HELD

Port Commission Asked To File Additional Data on \$635,000 Project

The application of the City of Wilmington to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a loan of \$635,000 for the erection of municipal port terminals here has been given new life, it was learned yesterday from J. T. Hiers, manager of the Wilmington Port Commission.

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Holly Ridge Wage Rates Released By Contractors

Approved wage classifications in hourly rates for the Camp Davis project were given yesterday to the North Carolina State Employment Service by the contractors, Maurice H. Moore, manager of the Wilmington office, announced last night.

Greek Troops Are Advancing Toward Berati

RAF and Italian Bombers Trade Blows on Targets in Albania, Greece

PREVEZA BASE RAIDED

Athens Elated Over Removal of 2 Italian Commanders from War

By MAX HARRELSON

ATHENS, Jan. 14.—(P)—Greek infantrymen were reported driving toward Berati, in south central Albania, today while communiques told of a trading of blows by the British RAF and Italian bombers on targets in Albania and Greece.

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Government Considering Possible Establishment Of Arms Plants In N. C.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—(P)—Senator Bailey (D-N.C.) disclosed today consideration was being given by the government to the possible location of munitions plants in North Carolina.

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DESTROYER HIT

Germans Reported Using Dive Bombers in the Mediterranean Section

LONDON, Jan. 14.—(P)—Britain's 23,000-ton aircraft carrier Illustrious and the 9,000-ton cruiser Southampton were damaged Jan. 10, the admiralty announced tonight, in the first reported use of German dive bombers in the Mediterranean area.

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CHANGES PLANNED AT NEARBY CAMP

Minor Shifts in Location of Buildings Slated at Firing Center

Minor changes in the location of buildings at Camp Davis were made yesterday when a re-allocation of men among the units to be stationed at the camp, approval of which has been requested of the War Department by the Coast Artillery, along with a request for additional

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M. J. Corbett Says W. B. & S. Lease Will Not Contain Option to Buy

The Wilmington Brunswick and Southern railroad will probably be leased in the near future to three Charleston men who will form the Southport Railroad and Transportation company, M. J. Corbett, receiver for the road said last night.

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RAF IS SHOWING RESULTS

Against Nocturnal Raids

LONDON, Jan. 14.—(P)—An air ministry statement that RAF night fighters are "beginning to show results" against nocturnal raiders and the admiralty's announcement of one of the smallest week's shipping losses of the war bolstered hopes of Britons tonight of overcoming eventually the two chief menaces to their embattled island.

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