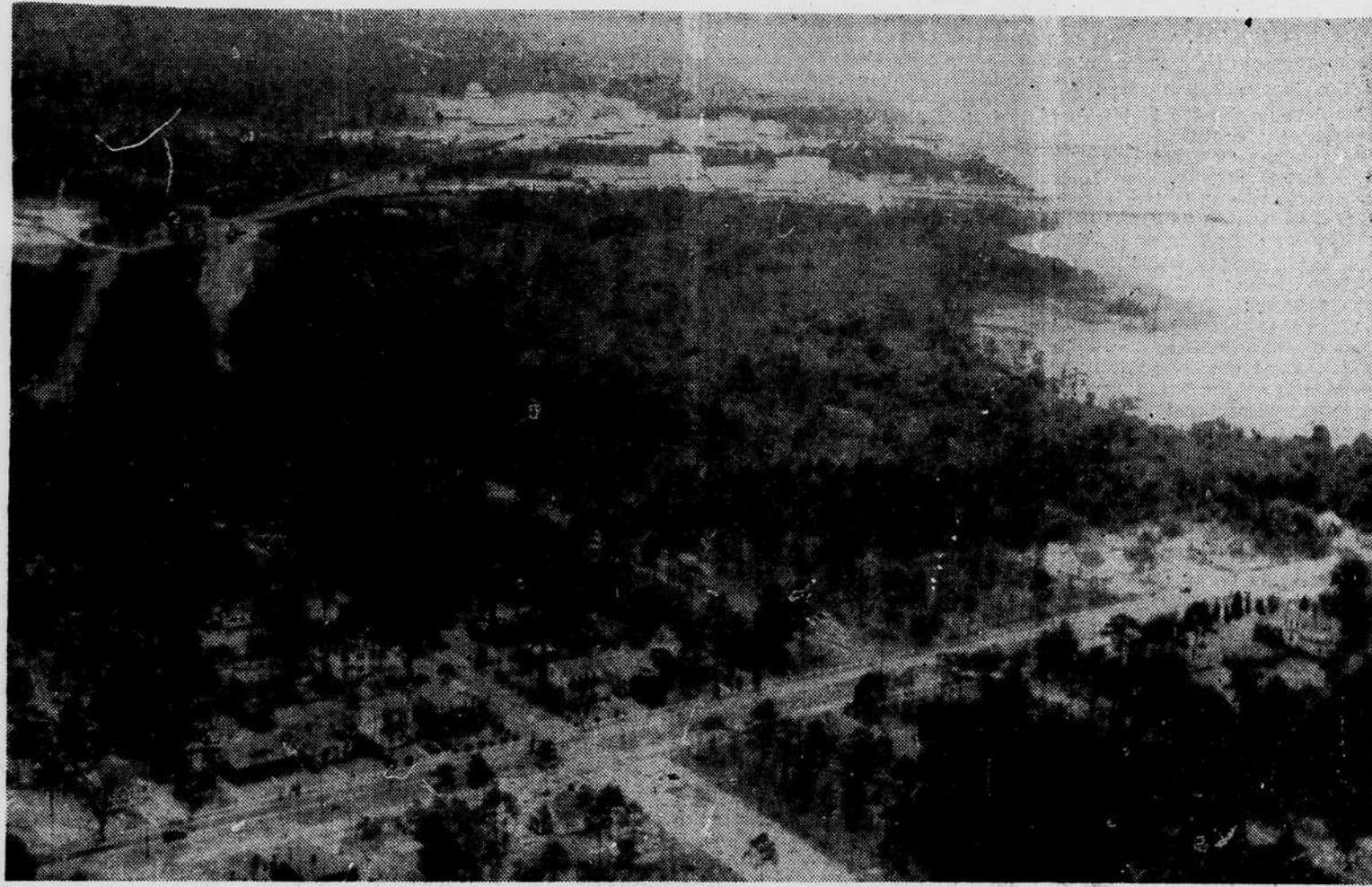


SHIPYARD SITE ACQUIRED HERE

Hitler, Il Duce To Confer Today

SITE OF NEW SHIPYARDS AS SEEN FROM AIR



Here is the site of the shipyards to be constructed by the North Carolina Shipbuilding company, a subsidiary of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, at a cost of \$4,000,000 to build 24 ships in 24 months at a cost of approximately \$1,750,000 each.

70-Acre Tract Adjoins Sunset Park On South; Carolina Pier Included

Kennedy Backs British Aid But Not F. R. Bill

OFFICES ARE LEASED Will Be Located In Old W. H. Sprunt Residence, Third And Grace

6 TO 8 WAYS PLANNED

Location and acquisition of the site for the shipyard which will build 24 ships in Wilmington in 24 months was announced yesterday by Captain Roger Williams, vice-president of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, in a telephone conversation with The Star-News.

The site, he said, will consist of the northern undeveloped portion of the property now held by The Texas company and an undeveloped site to the north of that tract, now held by the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

It will extend, it was learned from Bruce B. Cameron, vice-chairman of the Wilmington Defense Council, from the southern boundary which will be on The Texas company property, almost to Central boulevard of Sunset Park.

Funds Are Approved Meanwhile from Washington an Associated Press dispatch said the House appropriations subcommittee quickly approved President Roosevelt's request for \$313,500,000 for the construction of 200 new cargo ships.

And from Raleigh came word of the incorporation of the North Carolina Shipbuilding company, a subsidiary of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, which will build the 24 ships here for the U. S. Maritime commission.

And from Washington came another dispatch confirming the previous announcement of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, that Wilmington is among the sites which have been selected as those at which the cargo ships will be built.

The announcement on the location of the site was made of about 70 acres of land and will include the old outfitting pier used by the old Carolina shipyards in the days of and immediately after World War I.

"We are getting almost ready to go," Capt. Williams said. There are a few corporate matters to be at-

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MACRAE ASSISTED IN GETTING YARDS

World War Survey Findings Used To Show Local Site Best Place

Timing and a good memory played a big part, apparently, in bringing the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company to Wilmington to erect ways to build 24 ships here in the next 24 months.

Hugh MacRae, Wilmington agriculturist and realtor, recalled some time ago that during World War, Homer Ferguson, president of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, had made a survey of the South Atlantic coast for the federal government and had reported that Wilmington was the best place on the South Atlantic coast to build ships and that the site of the old Carolina Shipyards was the best location in Wilmington.

When efforts were begun here to secure shipyards in the present emergency, he secured from Ferguson a letter in which he said that his findings during World War I were as outlined as above.

Then came the word the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company was the recipient of a contract for building 25 ships for the U. S. Maritime commission

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Greek Sub Sinks Third Big Vessel

Yugoslavs Hear Italians Sending Reinforcements To Greek Front

NEW DRIVE IS SEEN

Athens Reports Capture Of 1,000 Prisoners From Top Roman Regiment

By the Associated Press BERN, Switzerland, Jan. 18.—Airdrop reports of stepped-up German aid for Italy, diplomatic quarters here heard reports today that Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini, with their chief military, diplomatic and economic advisers, would hold a full-dress conference tomorrow.

Whether it foreshadows a German move in the Balkans, a thrust at Gibraltar or simply additional German air aid from Italy—and perhaps Rumanian—bases was a matter of speculation.

Not Confirmed Neither home nor Berlin confirmed officially that such a meeting was set, but diplomatic sources said they expected no confirmation until it is over, possibly Monday.

The Brenner Pass, Alpine setting for several Axis conclaves, is regarded as the likely scene. Mussolini, however, may go to Germany this time, it was suggested, to repay Hitler's visit to him in Florence last Oct. 28—the day Italy's invasion of Greece began.

Some diplomatic advisers said the dictators might meet in either Munich or Salzburg.

ITALIANS LASH OUT AT AMERICA

German Spokesmen, However, Say Germans Won't Be Provoked

By the Associated Press BERLIN, Jan. 19.—(Sunday)—(AP)—Karl Mezeier, chief editorial mouthpiece of the foreign office, gave notice today to the United States in an editorial in the Boersen Zeitung that Germany would not "let itself be provoked" no matter how hard America tried to pick a quarrel.

WEATHER

FORECAST North Carolina: Cloudy, followed by clearing, much colder Sunday and Sunday night; Monday fair, continued cold.

South Carolina: Partly cloudy, considerably colder Sunday and Sunday night; Monday fair, continued rather cold.

By U. S. Weather Bureau (Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday.)

Temperature 1:30 a. m. 58; 7:30 a. m. 52; 1:30 p. m. 57; 7:30 p. m. 52; maximum 60; minimum 52; mean 55; normal 46.

Precipitation Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 0.00 inches. Total since first of the month 1.16 inches.

Wilmington High 6:13a Low 6:39p

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BRITISH PLOTTING ETHIOPIAN REVOLT

Military Commission Now Operating 'In Heart Of Duce Territory'

KHARTOUM, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, Jan. 18.—(AP)—A British military mission has been working in the heart of Ethiopia since last July training and arming thousands of tribesmen for a fight against the Italians, it was disclosed officially tonight.

This disclosure came less than a week after it became known that little Haile Selassie, dethroned by the Italian conquerors of Ethiopia five years ago, was receiving a constant stream of tribal revolutionary agents in Khartoum, only 300 miles from Ethiopia.

There have been estimates that 200,000 Ethiopians were active in guerrilla fighting in the interior. The mission, picked up from men who knew the Ethiopian country and dialects, was made up of a handful of British staff officers and instructors.

With a convoy of arms and ammunition, the men slipped by the Italian border guards and patrols last July.

Despite tropical rains still falling in some parts and making travel more difficult, they trekked 500 miles into the interior and established camp somewhere in the jungle clad mountains around Lake Tana.

Administration Building At Camp Nearly Finished

Occupation of Camp Davis at Holly Ridge will probably begin early this week when government, contractors' and engineers' personnel begins moving into the huge administration building there, it was learned yesterday.

Col. Alberts Montgomery, constructing quartermaster, said yesterday his office is not yet ready to move into the new quarters but plans to move his offices and those of the contractors and engineers have been in the making for some time.

The interior of the administration building, which is 208 feet long with four wings 125 feet long, was begun yesterday. Steam heat has already been installed and

Addition To Wilmington Hotel To Cost \$100,000

BUGG REVEALS PLANS 7-Story South Wing Will Contain 50 More Rooms; Architects Busy

Plans for the erection of an addition to the Wilmington hotel costing approximately \$100,000 were announced yesterday by E. B. Bugg, owner and operator.

The new south wing, to be seven stories high and containing from 40 to 50 rooms, will be constructed on the adjacent lot on the Front street side, Bugg said.

Entirely Modern The addition will provide additional hotel accommodations in keeping with Wilmington's progress and will be the very latest in hotel building and equipment.

In discussing the details of the construction plans Bugg said, "I am trying to help keep hotel facilities ample for the many newcomers expected to visit our city in the near future."

The firm of Lynch and Foard has been employed as architects for the project and Bugg expressed the hope that bids would be ready within about 10 days for submission to the contractors.

The addition, to be 35 feet wide and 100 feet deep, will be of structural steel and brick construction, an absolute fireproof structure, with reinforced concrete floors.

A store, 35 feet wide and 100 feet deep, will be of structural steel and brick construction, an absolute fireproof structure, with reinforced concrete floors.

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Thai Forces Beaten Back In Indo-China

SAIGON, French Indo-China, Jan. 18.—(AP)—The French Indo-China government announced today it had stemmed the Thai (Siamese) advance in western Cambodia by throwing back a complete battalion of 750 troops who have been advancing along the road to Siphon.

On the fronts to the north, the Thai invaders shelled Savannakhet and bombed Pakse from the air. Earlier 1,000 Thai troops were reported repulsed west of Pakse.

The French announced that the two Italian warships sunk yesterday by the French Asiatic squadron in the Gulf of Siam were destroyers. (Thailand had 14 destroyers.)

DIVE-BOMBERS HIT AT MALTA AGAIN

Berlin Reports Claim Also Airdromes In England Bombed

VALLETTA, Malta, Jan. 19.—(Sunday)—(AP)—German Junkers bombers attacked this British Mediterranean island stronghold for three hours yesterday afternoon.

Five bombers were reported shot down and a reliable source said another might have been brought down.

In three days of raids on Malta, the Nazis have nearly equalled the total civilian damage caused by Fascist aviators in eight months.

By the Associated Press BERLIN, Jan. 18.—Daylight dive-bombings of two airdromes on Malta, Britain's fortified Mediterranean island, and on two others in Southeast England were reported by informed German sources tonight.

Nazi Stukas, accompanied by their own and Italian fighter escorts, were said to have scored heavily on the British and Mediterranean stronghold with bomb hits on hangars, barracks and runways.

The attack on Malta lasted seven hours, German sources said. They added the British put up a "wild defense" which failed to hinder the

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BENNIE BISHOP, 30, DIES HERE

First Fatality To Result From Injuries At Camp Davis Site

Camp Davis had its first fatality yesterday when Bennie Bishop, 30, of near Jacksonville, died in Bullock hospital at 12:40 a. m. of pneumonia caused by injuries suffered earlier in the week when he was run over by a tractor.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of Tom Ketchum, father of the widow. Interment will be in the Justice cemetery, at Southwest, near Jacksonville. The Rev. Hill Edwards, of Jacksonville, will officiate.

Bishop is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Ketchum Bishop, a daughter, Judie Calvin Bishop, and a son, Louis Bishop, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Bishop, of Holly Ridge, a brother Burton Bishop, of Holly Ridge and four sisters, Mrs. Vera E. Shepard, Jacksonville; Mrs. Elma D. Boyd, Newport News, and Jessie L. Bishop, of Holly Ridge.

Active pallbearers will be Horace Gurganus, Cecil Gurganus, Louis Justice, Lewis Walton, Stacy Walton and Sidney Hamby.

CAPITAL THRONGS AWAIT INAUGURAL

President Roosevelt Will Take Third Term Oath On Monday

BY RICHARD L. TURNER WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Thousands of folks—political leaders and lesser party workers, and people great and humble—crowded into Washington today bent upon taking a spectator's part at least in the third inauguration of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

They thronged the hotel lobbies, from fashionable places to dollar-a-night walkups, and overflowed into the tourist camps and houses bearing the familiar sign, "tourists."

They stood about the street corners watching for celebrities and uttering little gasps of delight when they uncertainly thought they had one spotted. They peered into passing limousines and excitedly

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'FLU' CONTINUES TO RAGE IN N. C.

Charlotte Preacher Refuses To Suspend Services; Cities Hard Hit

CHARLOTTE, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Cities and communities throughout the state continued today to fight the influenza epidemic by keeping schools closed and restricting public gatherings.

Dr. Luther Little, pastor of the First Baptist church of Charlotte, declined to meet with the health department's request to suspend Sunday services and said that regular meetings would be held tomorrow "in order to worship and to pray for the sick and suffering."

He said that City Health Officer Dr. G. L. Lea's request that people not attend services tomorrow because of the influenza epidemic "singled out and advised against" the churches.

Although the Charlotte Ministerial association voted yesterday to keep churches open for adults, a number of religious institutions in the city and county called off services.

In some places health authorities expressed the view that the epidemic was reaching its peak. However, there were no comprehensive statistics available and the number of cases had to be roughly estimated.

Schools were still closed in Greensboro and Guilford county but the health authorities there thought that the epidemic in that area was definitely past the peak. The situation was described as "much better."

The health authorities in Charlotte estimated that ten per cent of the city's 100,000 population was down with the flu. Schools here were closed until Jan. 27; children under 16 were barred from theaters; many public meetings were cancelled or postponed, and most of the churches decided not to hold services tomorrow.

The epidemic appeared to be growing worse at Gastonia. Health

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Norway Town Heavily Fined For Sabotage

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Because of sabotage in Nazi-held Norway, German authorities have fined inhabitants of the Vestland district 100,000 crowns, banned all public meetings for two months, and instituted an 8 p. m. curfew, it was reported tonight from Oslo.

(The last quotation of the Norwegian crown was April 8 when it was listed at 22.72 cents.)

Meanwhile members of the Norwegian supreme court recently dismissed because they had reached the "retirement age" got orders from German authorities not to leave their homes for a month without special permission.

This step was taken because of their opposition to occupation authorities and the Norwegian Nazi party of Vidkun Quisling, the report said.

HULL AND WILLKIE TO TALK MONDAY

Knudsen Says F. R. British Aid Plan 'All Right With Me'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt threw the files on the State department's information on European conditions wide open today for Wendell Willkie, leaving soon for Europe.

At the same time, he said he would be glad to have a personal conference with Willkie—an offer which the latter promptly said would be accepted.

Details of the meeting remained to be arranged, but it was expected that it would be held tomorrow when Willkie comes here to see Hull.

The chief executive directed

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Nazi Flag Ripped Down From 'Frisco Consulate

By ALLAN STEWART SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—(AP)—An American sailor ripped a huge swastika flag from its staff at the ninth-story offices of the German consulate today while thousands of spectators stood in the street and cheered.

The action, which Consul General Fritz Wiedemann immediately reported to the German Embassy in Washington, climaxed a morning of unrest around the building at 26 O'Farrell street, just off Market.

The flag was being flown in observance of the 70th anniversary of the founding the German Reich. The sailor was identified by Police Capt. Joseph Walsh as Harold James Sturtevant, 22, recently a

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fireman on the destroyer Craven. He and a companion, E. G. Lackey, 23, of Charlotte, N. C., seaman, first class, formerly on the destroyer Perkins, were charged with malicious mischief and held for the U. S. navy. Four other young men who participated were released.

Sturtevant and Lackey were on shore leave, awaiting mustering out of service. They were in civilian clothing.

The crowd began forming shortly after the Nazi emblem was unfurled when the consulate opened. As the morning advanced the crowd grew larger until an estimated 2,000 persons were gazing at the four by eight foot flag.

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