

Revolution In Greece Is Spreading

WEEK-END MEETINGS EXPECTED TO BRING BUDGET TO BALANCE

Junking of Dividends Tax and Highway Diversion Proposal Hits Revenue Bill Hard.

INVESTIGATIONS IN WEEK'S SPOTLIGHT

Order Passed for Prison Probe and Inquiry Into Morganton Insane Hospital; Many Important Measures Await Action During the Coming Week.

Raleigh, March 9.—(AP)—Legislative supply and spending bills were scheduled for introduction early next week, possibly Monday night, today as the General Assembly completed its latest of the 1935 session.

The work was marked for debate on the Hill liquor store bill, passage of a measure to allow possession of slot machines until May 1, decision to investigate charges of ill-treatment of patients and employees at the State hospital at Morganton and prisoners in Mecklenburg county, as well as house passage of a measure to construct a tubercular sanatorium in Western North Carolina.

Though still many thousands of dollars apart, he receiving and disbursing bills are expected to be brought to a point of uniformity as chairman of the joint committees go into huddles between now and Monday.

Governor Ehringhaus conferred with them today.

Chairman Victor S. Bryant, of the House Committee on Appropriations, indicated today the spending measure would be offered Monday night in the lower chamber. The full joint group will meet Monday afternoon.

In its present form, following rejection Friday by the finance committee of its own tax of \$1,000,000 on

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MERCHANTS UP IN ARMS OVER LEVIES

Chains Entirely Within State Protest Vigorously to Legislators.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, March 9.—The new chain store tax plan adopted by the finance committee which would increase the taxes on chain stores by about \$41,518 a year, is causing a good many merchants to have the jitters. For this new section not only increases the taxes on national chain store systems, but upon chains that operate only here in North Carolina as well. This has already caused quite a defection of merchants from the anti-sales tax ranks and merchants and merchants' associations are now urging members of the general assembly urging them to vote for the sales tax and against the new chain store tax.

Among former opponents of the sales tax is W. H. Belk, head of the

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Huey's Friend & Foe



Robert Brothers (top), was "frisked" for guns in Senate lobby on suspicion of being one of armed bodyguards of Senator Huey Long. Meanwhile, Fred Parker (below), deputy sheriff whom Long accused of plotting to kill him, is an armed guard in Capitol, having been given a job after Long made charge. (Central Press)

Would Ban Arson, Burglary Deaths

Raleigh, March 9.—(AP)—Representative McDonald, of Forsyth, today introduced two bills in the General Assembly which would allow judges of superior courts to sentence persons convicted of arson on first degree burglary to life in prison, instead of to the electric chair.

There were 34 of the 170 legislators present for the meetings of the two divisions, and the total time of both sessions was 21 minutes.

ARCH FOES OF NRA GIVEN CONTROL OF RECOVERY INQUIRY

Sub-Committee Composed of Senators Predominantly Critics of Administration

RICHBERG AGAIN TO APPEAR ON MONDAY

Recovery Coordinator To Undergo Further Questioning With Regard to Proposed Reorganization of Department; Personnel of Group Is Hostile

Washington, March 9.—(AP)—A sub-committee composed of predominantly NRA critics today took over the direction of the Senate's investigation of the recovery administration. The investigation will continue to be held before the full committee, under the Senate's instructions, but the sub-committee will decide who will be heard and what evidence will be offered. It is headed by Chairman Harrison, but includes such outright critics of the NRA as Senators George, Democrat, Georgia, and King, Democrat, Utah, both of whom want to turn some features of the recovery law over to the Federal Trade Commission and scrap the rest.

Others on the committee, some of

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NRA Inquiry Will Be Broad And Thorough

Washington, March 9 (AP)—The sub-committee in charge of the Senate NRA investigation decided today to investigate Clarence Darrow, chairman of the review board which criticized the recovery administration's policies, to submit his views to the finance committee.

Because of his health, Darrow was not placed on the list of witnesses to be definitely called, but the committee decided to offer him the opportunity to testify if he wished.

The directing sub-committee, in charge of the inquiry decided also to call S. Clay Williams, retiring chairman of the board; Sidney Hillman, a member of the board; Leon Henderson, economic advisor to the board and Francis Biddle, chairman of the Labor Relations Board.

The decision to call Biddle was believed to indicate the committee proposed to go deeply into the question of enforcement of Section 7-A, labor's collective bargaining guarantee.

The line-up of future witnesses was arranged by a subcommittee, which assumed control of the inquiry today.

ROOMS AND MEALS ARE TO BE TAXED

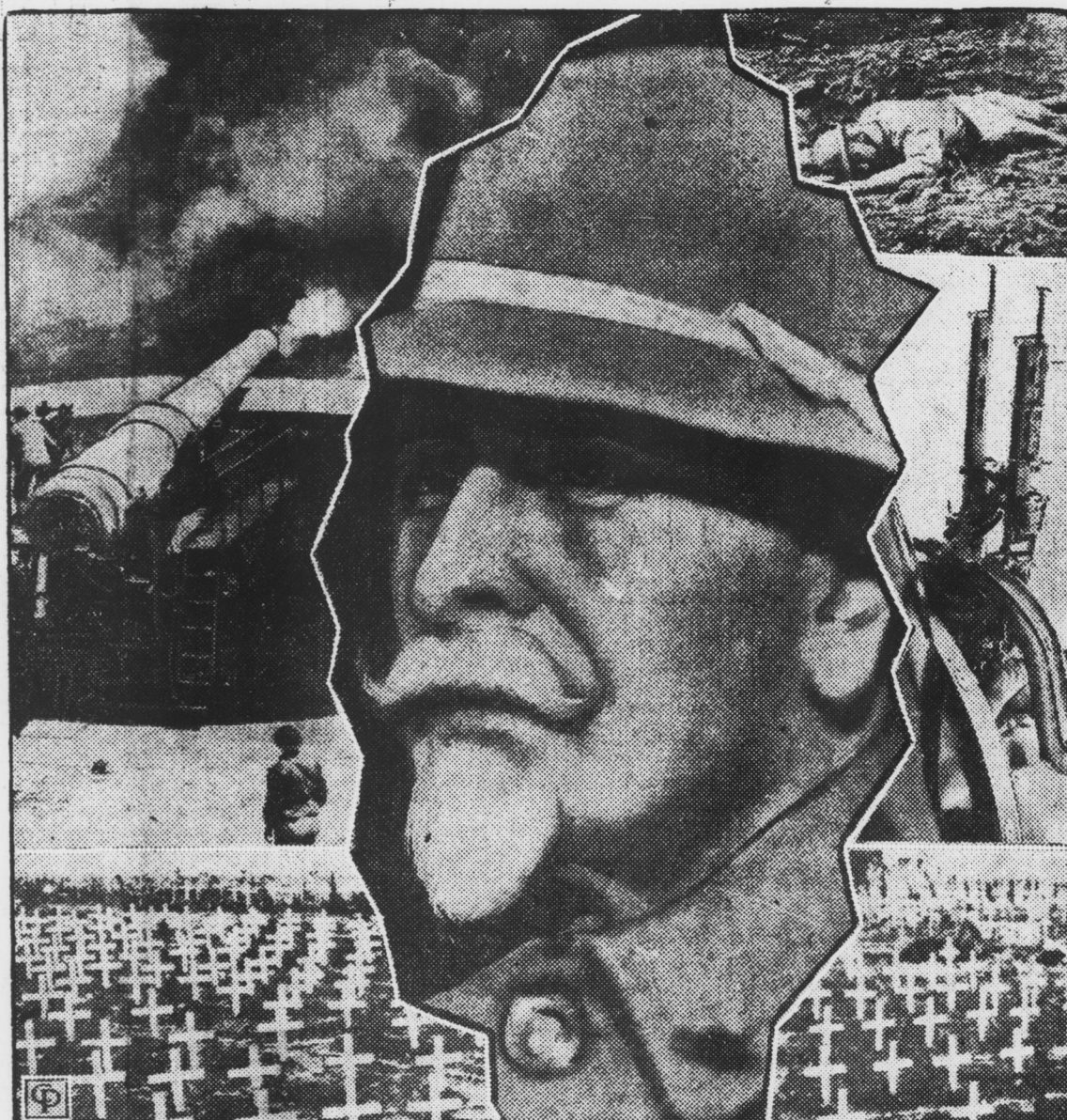
Finance Committee Turns to That on Beating Levy on Dividends.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, March 9.—The proposed tax on dividends from stock in domestic corporations was removed by the joint finance committee in their meeting Friday afternoon, after having adopted this proposal the day before. But in the place of this tax, the committee adopted the proposal to apply the three per cent sales tax

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Bad News in Europe Good News for Him



Bumper crop of troubles in Europe, including revolution in his native Greece, mean more profits to Sir Basil Zaharoff (above), who was named in Senate inquiry into international munitions traffic as the world's No. 1 "merchant of death." He's living in seclusion at Monte Carlo while war threatens to break out between several countries he has induced to "prepare," and to buy his munitions. (Central Press)

State Of Martial Law For Havana Region Is Ordered

Havana, March 9.—(AP)—Constitutional rights were suspended in Cuba today after a night punctuated by shots and bombings. Grimly determined to break the strike which has disorganized the nation's affairs, the cabinet and council of state suspended the national constitution in a joint special session at the presidential palace.

The joint body named Jose Pedraza military governor of Havana province

This was considered the equivalent of martial law, inasmuch as Pedraza, whose rank is that of lieutenant colonel in the army, will take over powers now in the hands of the civil authorities. Pedraza, now chief of the national police, was one of the six sergeants who, with Colonel Fulgencio Batista, overthrew the De Cespedes government September 4, 1933.

An eight-point program was adopted by the joint body as a substitute

for the constitution. It was not made public. The action puts the entire government back on a revolutionary instead of a constitutional basis. As the government officials were meeting, frequent bombings and shootings echoed in the residential section several miles from the center of Havana. Around midnight firing broke in the Cuatro Prominos section bordering the business district.

Rate Of Tax On Sales Is Main Fight

But Even Foes Will Vote for It Because Money Is Lacking Elsewhere.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY C. A. PAUL.

Raleigh, March 9.—The fight on the sales tax will be over reduction of the levy from three per cent, as now levied to two per cent. That is now plainly evident to observers here who have followed the finance and appropriation committees through the present session and who have kept a watchful eye on legislative sentiment.

That the retail sales tax will be reenacted is an almost foregone conclusion, and has long been predicted by careful observers.

There are several reasons why the sales tax will be rewritten into the revenue act:

(1) It is clearly apparent that the legislature and the joint appropriations committees dominated largely by a group of "free-spenders." The appropriation bill as it now stands is at least \$3,000,000 over the advisory

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy tonight and Sunday; probably rain in extreme west portion late tonight and Sunday, and in east and central portions Sunday; slowly rising temperature Sunday and in extreme west portion tonight.

Labor Threat For Wagner Bill Given

Washington, March 9.—(AP)—The American Federation of Labor intensified its campaign for the Wagner labor dispute bill today with a prediction by President William Green that there will be widespread strike if the bill fails to pass.

"There would be nothing else left for the workers to do in their fight to gain recognition of their unions and to establish that organization so essential to sound recovery," Green said.

The federation chief, however, asserted he thought chances were "good" for the bill's passage. The Senate Labor Committee begins hearings on it Monday.

The one danger of failure, Green said, lay in House rules. If the bill reached the floor, he added, "and we can get a record vote, it will be passed."

FOREIGNERS FEAR TROUBLES IN U. S.

If Silverites Have Their Way, Crash Is Almost Inevitable Later.

By LESLIE EICHEL Central Press Staff Writer New York, March 9.—The senator who upsets financial New York the most is Senator Elmer Thomas, of Oklahoma, the silverite.

Financial New York sees the silver program of Senator Thomas as pushing not only the United States, but the remainder of the world over the financial brink.

Senator Thomas is trying to have

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TOBACCO GRADING APPEARS CERTAIN

Words "Government Graded" May Assume Force of "Bottled in Bond"

Washington, March 9.—(AP)—Two prosaic words—"government graded"—may replace the flowery phrases now used in cigarette advertising to describe the choice tobacco.

In fact, "government graded" may become to the cigarette what "bottled in bond" means to whisky. And such symbols as "B4L" or "X1L" may become the "XXX" of tobacco.

For under a bill introduced in the House and conceded a good chance of passage, a Federal tobacco inspection and grading service would be established.

Readings now are in progress before a House agriculture sub-committee on the measure introduced by Re-

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Waynick Will Direct Probe In Charlotte

Raleigh, March 9 (AP)—Capus M. Waynick, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, and Jack Roach, head of the penal division of the department, went to Charlotte this morning to conduct an investigation into allegations that treatment in a Mecklenburg prison camp caused the feet of two Negro prisoners to freeze and die, creating

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GOVERNMENT WILL LAUNCH OFFENSIVE TO CHECK UPRISING

Rebel March On Saloniki May Be Offset by Extensive Drive by The Loyal Forces

ARTILLERY TO BE AIDED BY PLANES

Revolutionists' Stronghold on Bulgarian Frontier Is Being Attacked by Government, Which Is Also Directing Campaign Against Crete

Sofia, Bulgaria, March 9.—(AP)—According to reports reaching here from the Greek frontier, the rebels are gaining ground, and six submarines and 20 cargo ships have joined their forces.

The cruiser Averoff, flagship of the Greek navy, seized by the rebels at the outbreak of the revolt, was able to have arrived at Kavala, rebel stronghold on the north coast of the Aegean Sea. Meanwhile, said these reports, the revolution has spread to Larisa and Messaly.

Athens, Greece, March 9.—(AP)—With Greek government artillery and bombing planes hammering at Macedonian rebels, and General George Kondylis' troops ready to launch a concentrated attack on the Struma river area, rumors spread in Athens this afternoon that the surrender of the seditionists was imminent.

There had been reports of a rebel advance upon Saloniki being imminent, possibly marking a climax in the week-old civil war, but apparently the government decided to step in with its own offensive.

The movement out of Saloniki was accompanied by a bombardment from

New Pleas Written By Roosevelt

Washington, March 9.—(AP)—A quiet week-end lull before the storm of more congressional controversy was employed by President Roosevelt today in planning one of possibly five more messages he will send to Congress.

But what subject will go forward first—probably early next week—was not disclosed by the chief executive. Senatorial leaders canvassed their strength for renewal Monday of the struggle over the \$4,880,000,000 work relief bill. The prevailing wage amendment opposed by Mr. Roosevelt continued the key itself. Leaders looked for Senator Huey P. Long to use the

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Hitler Asks Britisher To Visit Berlin

Conference Postponed by Ruler's 'Cold' Is Now Set For Two Weeks Hence

London, March 9 (AP)—Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler today extended a new invitation to Sir John Simon, British foreign secretary, to visit Berlin in about two weeks, it was officially announced.

Konstantin von Neurath, the German foreign minister, called the British ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps, to the foreign office at Berlin this morning and extended a new proposal for a date to discuss European peace proposals.

Von Neurath told the ambassador Hitler still had a cold, but would certainly be better by the time Sir John reached Berlin.

Sir Eric immediately reported to London, and it was stated the government was happy to make a new arrangement, which was satisfactory.