ROOSEVELT URGES GOURTS T

Legislature Gets Bills To Abolish Absentee Ballot

THE CONSTITUTION

"Enlightened" Interpretation of Nation's Organic Law Is What Is More Urgent

NRA PROBLEMS ARE DECLARED PRESSING

Statute Outlawed, but Issues Remain, Roosevelt Tells Congress in Annual Message Delivered in Person at Joint Session of House and Senate

Washington, Jan. 6 (AP)-President Roosevelt called today for an "enlightened" interpretation of the Constitution to har monize Congress and the courts in meeting "present national

Standing before a joint session of the overwhelmingly Democratic 75th Congress, Mr. Roosevelt, without mentioning the Supreme Court by name, said "a liberal interpretation" rather than "alteration" of the Constitution was needed. He reaffirmed his be lief NRA objectives "were sound."

"The statute of NRA has been outlawed." he told the assembled Senate and House. "The problems have not. They are still with us.'

The President, greeted with shouts and cheers by Congressmen elected in the November landslide that returned him to office, said it was "high time for democracy to assert itself' 'when militarism was leaping forward

abroad, adding: The process of our democracy must ot be impelled by the denial of essential powers of free government.' As the first cargo of \$7,284,000 of munitions and airplanes licensed for export to Spain slipped out of New York harbor, Mr. Roosevelt urged quick action to halt such shipments. said some dving statutes should be extended quickly and a deficiency appropriation swaftly made for relief

2 Condemned Men Fail To Win Appeals

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—(AP) - The State Supreme Court found "no error" today in two capital cases and ruled unconstitutional a law providing for the licensing by the North Carolina Real Estate Commission of eight real estate brokers and salesmen.

The licensing law had applied only certain designated counties. In declining a new trial to Alfred Fuckett, of Richmond county, senof Roy Rhyne, the court automatiunless the governor intervenes. Charles Smith, Columbus Negro,

found guilty of first degree burglary,

who was refused a new trial, also will die on that date.

France Ponders Mobilizing Army On Spanish Frontiers

MOVING DAY FOR HOEY FAMILY



Gov.-Elect Clyde R. Hoey, who will be inaugurated Jan. 7, is shown with Mrs. Hoey and their daughter, Isabel, at their home in Shelby while making preparations for moving to the executive mansion in Raleigh

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Governor's Administration Also Noted for Friendliness to Labor

MANY PRISON REFORMS

Local Government Units Have Been Assisted in Lifting Themselves Out of Their Financial Difficulties

Daily Dispatch Bureau.
In the Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILL
Raleigh, Jan. 6.— While the admin-

istration of Governor J. C. B. Ehring haus is probably better known for its fiscal and educational reforms than for anything else, much has been done for agriculture, labor, for local governments, highways and along the lines of prison reform, those who are evaluating the accomplishments of the past four years point out.

The farmers have probably benefitted as much from the Ehringhaus administration as any one group. In addition to the large reduction in property taxes which resulted when the nced to asphyxiation for the murder | State took over the cost of maintaining the schools, it is now generally set his death date as January conceded that but for Governor Ehringhaus and the firm stand he took with the AAA in Washington, the tobacco farmers would not have been

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Bitter Under-Cover Fights For Agriculture Positions

Grange and Farm Bureau Have Their Men for Senate and House Chairmanshi ps; Compacts by no Means Favored by All, Not Even All of the Farmers

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILL Raleigh, Jan. 6.—A bitter underbe favorable to them, according to Service.

most observers here. The two most influentail farm organizations in the State, the Grange favor the bill, it is agreed. The smal-sible tobacco farmers, instead of toand the North Carolina Farm Bureau, are already on record as favoring the

enactment of a tobacco control and compacts bill, while most of the large ties were represented at the meeting tobacco farmers are also interested in cover fight has been in progress and the enactment of a bill of this nature. mers in those counties, get them is more and more intense for the They believe that it will limit acre- indorse the bill and then apply pres chairmanships of the House and Sen-ate agriculture committees, it was bacco crop and accordingly compel ture from those counties in an effort learned here today. The reason for the tobacco manufacturer to pay high- to force its enactment as soon as pos this unusual interest in the agricul- er prices for their tobacco. The com- sible ture committee is the expectation that a tobacco compacts bill will be introduced early in the session and the proval and cooperation of the United forces for or against this bill are anxi- States Department of Agriculture and ous to have chairmen named who will the Federal Agricultural Extension Speaker R. Gregg Cherry to urge the

Many Opponents. But not all of the tobacco farmers who are "dirt farmers," and if pos

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Bad Weather For Hoey's Inaugural

Raleigh, Jan. 6.— (AP) — The weather Bureau today forecast "cloudy weather with rain at intervals" for Raleigh tomorrow on inauguration day.

Committees in charge of the inaugural ceremony for Clyde Hoey, of Shelby, who will become the 31st governor of North Carolina elected by the people, still predicted a huge crowd would be here.

FarmBureau Seeks Quick **Control Bill**

Speedy Action On **Tobacco Compacts** Is Sought in The CHILDREN PRAYING General Assembly

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, By S. C. BASKERVILL

Raleigh, Jan. 6.-The North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation is go ing to seek to ram-rod a tobacco compacts and crop control bill through the 1937 General Assembly as quickly as possible. This decision was reached in a meeting of more than 100 directors and members of the Federation here Tuesday, at which the legislative program was outlined by President J. E. Winslow and Executive Secretary H. F. Arnold. Copies of the model bill which will be presented, which was written in Washington and which was said to have the approval of the United States Department of Agriculture and the officials of the old tobacco division of the AAA, was distributed to the members present and they were urged to go back to their home counties-32 coun--to call meetings of the tobacco far-

Secret Committee Named. At this same meeting a secret com mittee was appointed to call on Lieutenant Governor W. P. Horton and appointment of chairmen of the Senate and House agriculture committees

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Britain, Meanwhile, Hurries Array of Fighting Ships To Mediterranean Region

RUSSIA AND SPAIN HURL ACCUSATIONS

Bitter New Charges Aimed at Italy and Germany; Socialist Government Rushes Reinforcements to Northwest of Madrid as Fascists Press Attacks

Madrid, Jan. 6.—(AP)—Fascist artillery and air attacks disrupted the capital's celebration of the Feast of the Magi today as insurgent gunners dropped six-inch shells into the central district and airmen bombed University City. Sixteen tri-motored bombers, es-

corted by 24 pursuit planes, bombed Socialist lines in the Northwestern University City area, and a sector ten miles from the cap-

(By The Associated Press). Soviet Russia and Socialist Spain launched bitter new accusations at Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany today, while France considered rushing troops to her Spanish border, and Britain shifted 172,000 tons of fighting ships in the Mediterranean.

Another Soviet steamer, the ninth, was seized by insurgent sea forces in the Straits of Gibraltar Geneva-The Spanish government protesting dual violation of her sov-

ereignty by Italy and Germany sough League of Nations action. Moscow-A government spokesman

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Hoey Off To Raleigh For Inauguration

Shelby, Jan. 6.—(AP)—Governor-Elect Clyde R. Hoey, accompanied by Mrs. Hoey and their daughter, Miss Isabelle Hoey, left Shelby at 10 o'clock this morning by automobile for Raleigh, where tomorrow he will be in-

augurated.
Only one city traffic officer and a State highway patrolman escorted the car to the city limits in deference to the wishes of the governor-elect. "I want to leave Shelby as a private citizen and without formality," he

Intercede for His Safety; Strangers Visit G-Men Headquarters

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 6.—(AP)—A visit by two southwest Washington men to kidnap investigation headquarters today revived speculation the abductors of ten-year-old Charles Mattson may be hiding near Shelton.

The pair was identified as a Shelton business man and a resident of Hoodsport, near Shelton. They were closeted with agents at the Federal Bureau of inves-

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. much change in temperature.

Seizes Spanish Ships



Nazi fleet.

Disagreement over the naval policy of Fuehrer Adolf Hitler in reference to Spain resulted in the surprise retirement of Admiral Foerster, commander of the German fleet, and the elevation of Admiral Carls, above, as new commander. According to reports, Admiral Foerster insisted it would be disastrous to the small German fleet to risk trouble with the British and French navies. Admiral Carls, however, has been boldly seizing Spanish Loyalist ships-carrying out Nazi policy

FDR Visions

President Urges Safeguards to Powers of Free Government in U.S.

Addressing a joint session of the the House chamber, the President

non-existent powers into being, but tion" to help restore shipping open we have a right to expect that conceded powers of those legitimately implied shall be made effective instruments for the common good."

must not be imperilled by the denial automotive strike with the cabinet of the essential powers of free gov-

Admiral Carls, new commander of

in a striking manner.

Fast Rise Of **Militarisms**

Washington, Jan. 6.—(AP)—President Roosevelt summoned the courts today "to do their part in making democracy successful," and "within the framework of the Constitution," "at a time when militariasm has leapt forward" abroad.

"The process of our democracy

One Bill Proposes Electrocutions For All Capital Cases

Business, Movies Pay Highest Wage

Washington, Jan. 6.-(AP)-A peek into the pay envelopes of some of the nation's big men and women, afforded by a Treasury Department report to Congress, showed today that top salaries went to movie stars and captains of in-

Hopes for Settlement, How- as the General Assembly openever, Turn to National Capital, Where Plans Are Talked

ALFRED SLOAN OFF TO DETROIT OFFICE

Motor Giant's President Hastens to Seat of Trouble; California Governor Strike

(By The Associated Press.) Opposing leaders in the struggle between the United Automobile Workers of America and the General Motors Company in Detroit showed no sign of a truce today in the labor conflict which has taken 50,000 men from their

HOPES FOR SETTLEMENT TURN TOWARD WASHINGTON

(By The Associated Press) Hopes for settlement of the farflung automotive and maritime strikes centered today in the national capital.

Government leaders considered ways of adjudicating employer-worker differences coating 90,000 workers employment in those two divisions of business and industry. President Alfred Sloan, Jr., of the

General Motors Corporation, left New Congress from the speaker's dais in York for Detroit, where Federal conciliators sought to bring company officials and union leaders together in "The vital need is not alteration an accord which would put 50,000 Genof our fundamental law, but an increasingly enlightened view with re- Governor Frank Merriam, of Cali fornia, wired a request to President "We do not ask the courts to call Roosevelt for his "personal intervenrations on the strike-bound Pacific coast, where a 69-day maritime walkout made 50,000 men idle. President Roosevelt and Labor Sec-

retary Frances Perkins discussed the

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Many Sections Of South Threatened By Flood Waters

(By The Associated Press) Thousands of southerners anxious-

ly watched cloudy skies today while dozens of streams on the Gulf and Atlantic watersheds rolled along in the undated thousands of acres and a firet flood stage danger zone. A week of almost ceaseless rain in the holiday period submerged lowly- Uniontown area.

ing lands and did extensive crop dam-

| forecasts for scattered precipitation over the entire southeast kept concern alive today.

Conditions were worse in mid-South Alabama, where the Cahaba river inof small boats stood ready to evacuate hundreds of families in the Selma-

The Roanoke and other Eastern North Carolina rivers also continued A generally clear Sunday and Mon- a slow rise that has done considerday gave brief respites, but resump- able damage to highways, crops and Cloudy tonight and Thurs-tion of rain late in the latter day and a few sawmills. South Carolina day; occasional mist and rain; not yesterday revived the threat. There streams were receding after doing was some cessation overnight, but minor harm.

McDonald Men, Led by Lumpkin, Move Early for Election Law Re-

BOTH HOUSES OPEN SESSIONS AT NOON

forms for the State

Principal Clerks Named and Hall Johnson Again Made Senate President Protem; Thomas of Anson Again Heads House Rules Committee, Cherry Says

Raleigh, Jan. 6 (AP)-Bills to abolish the absentee ballot and generally tighten election ws, as well as one to abandon the use of lethal gas in executions and return to the use of electrocutions, were dropped into the legislative hopper today

ed its biennial session. The House was convened by Speaker Gregg Cherry, of Gaston, at 12:02 p. m., and the Senate by its retiring president, Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham, of Orange, at 12:03 p. m.

The first three measures introduced reflected charges of 'rregularities in last summer's primaries, when Clyde Hoey, of Shelby, defeated Dr. Ralph McDonald, of Winston-Salem, for the gubernatorial nomination. Two McDonald supporters, Repre-

sentatives Lumpkin, of Franklin, and Spruill, of Bertie, sent them up in Calls on Roosevelt ! o in- the House. Besides abolishing the tervene in 69-Day-Old Sea use of the absence ballot, in primaries, they would abolish the use of markers and assistants in primaries, and would prohibit entrance of perons into voting booths who are not actually voting.

Representative Dellinger, of Gaston, sent forward the bill proposing that the lethal gas chamber, placed in operation last year, be abandoned, and that electricity again be used in

legal executions. Without opposition, W. A. Baker, former assistant clerk, was elected principal clerk of the House, and Ray Byerly, received the same advance-

ment in the Senate. The Senate formally elected Senator Hall Johnson, of Buncombe, again as its president protem. Speaker Cherry announced Representative Thomas, of Anson, 1935

would again head that group. NO REAL WORK PROBABLE BEFORE FULL WEEK YET

chairman of the rules committee,

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. By J. C. BASKERVILL Raleigh, Jan. 6.—The 1937 General Assembly convened in its regular session at noon today, with Lieutenant Governor A. H. (Sandy) Graham presiding in the Senate, and with Speaker R. Gregg Cherry, of Gastonia,

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Embargo On Arms Pushed By Congress

Washington, Jan. 6 .- (AP)-Congress rushed action today on a Spansh arms embargo, but turned aside first to hear an optimistic report by President Roosevelt on the state of the union.

Differences over spending, mone-tary and other policies were forgotten in a general desire to speed the ban after the State Department reluctantly issued permits to export \$2,784,000 in munitions and airplanes to bleeding Spain.

Since the neutrality task will carry into the week-end, the Democratic majority gave enthusiasm the ascendency for a final colebration of the

November landslide. The counting of the electoral vote before the Senate and House in joint session provided the opportunity. From the way Democrats and Republicans jollied each on returning to

work it was hard to believe the election had aroused any feelings. All space in the House chamber had been spoken for in advance amid suspense over the projected embargo and uncertainty about what the President