

WPA FUND ABOVE \$875 MILLION DEMANDED

Off for the President's Fete



Supreme Court Justice and Mrs. Stanley Reed are driven to the White House for the President's annual state reception to the judiciary.

State Budget, Coming Up Tonight, To Be Greater

Will Call for Highway Money To Go for Other Purposes; Schools To Get Some \$3,000,000 More; Very Little More for Social Security Likely.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL. Raleigh, Jan. 9.—Principal feature of the General Assembly's second week in action will be report of the Budget Commission...

The governor's address to the General Assembly last Thursday, for instance, gave clues which it takes no Philo Vance to run down. No Startling Increase. The very first generalization about the report is that the budget will not be startlingly greater for the coming biennium...

Ward Group Speakership To Get Best Fight Heads House Posts First Week

Speaker Known As Man Who Remembers His Friends; Fenner and Caffey Favored for Money Jobs; Dearth of Outstanding Material

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Jan. 9.—Week-end gossip among legislators centers around the committee assignments in the house, expected to be read by Speaker Libby Ward tonight. The fixed item of business for tonight's session is to receive the governor's budget message...

Ward's Successful Battle in House Outshines Even Governor's Message or Senate Committee Assignments in Assembly Opening

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Jan. 9.—Selection of Libby Ward as speaker of the House provided the only fireworks of the North Carolina General Assembly's first week of the 1939 session. After the Democratic caucus had put the Craven county man in the chair to climax as keen a fight as the State has ever seen...

Chamberlain Goes To Rome In Last Effort At Appeasement

Outlook Anything But Bright for Accord With Mussolini; To Stop in Paris As Gesture of Support; Week May Be Most Decisive Since Munich

London, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain leaves for Rome tomorrow for what many believed today would be his final effort to push through his policy of appeasing the dictatorships. The outlook was anything but bright as the premier conferred with his key ministers today. The civil war in Spain, now two and a half years old, was the first obstacle between the dictator, Benito Mussolini, and Chamberlain, "the business man."

Mussolini Feeling Need Of Bold Stroke For Land

Rome, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini has called a meeting of the fascist grand council, the highest Italian executive body, for February 4, possibly to study Italy's future course of action. Fascist leaders by that time will have been able to judge the attitude of British Prime Minister Chamberlain, scheduled to arrive in Rome in two days, toward Italian territorial claims against France...

Hull Offers Lima Pact As World's Peace Model

Says American Republics Now Have Charter for International Conduct; More Progress Made Than Recognized, He Says on Return Home

New York, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Cordell Hull offered the world today the principles adopted by the eight Pan-American Conference as "a charter for international conduct." The secretary of state and chief United States delegate to the recent conference at Lima, Peru, said such a charter would be "based on equality, justice and freedom, indispensable foundations of peaceful and friendly relations among nations of the world."

Hungary Hints At Break With Czechs

Budapest, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Hungary delayed the return of its minister to Prague today in a strong hint that recent border clashes of armed forces had endangered diplomatic relations with Czechoslovakia. The minister, Johann Wettstein von Westerhain, is now in Budapest. He explained that he would stay here until relations between the two countries were "clarified."

Growers Of Cotton Ask More Funds

Larger Federal Benefits for Expanded Crop Reduction Features of Control Is Sought; Up to Congress To Finance It, They Tell Solons

Washington, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Farmers from cotton states asked Congress today to expand the crop reduction features of the present farm act by a plan that would cost at least \$80,000,000 above present farm benefits.

Advance List Of Committees In The House

Raleigh, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Incoming legislators today speculated on the announcement tonight of important House committee assignments and a budget which is expected to be the biggest in the State's history. Representatives Fenner, of Nash and Caffey, of Guilford, are expected to capture the two key House money committee chairmanships...

Coster-Musica Had Another Alias For Use

New York, Jan. 9.—(AP)—F. Donald Coster-Musica, the ex-convict who became president of McKesson & Robbins, Inc., used the alias of "Muellet" in trying to negotiate for the sale of 2,000,000 rifles to a warring nation, it was disclosed today in a preliminary report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

U. S. Blocked Jap Purchase Of Munitions

Washington, Jan. 9.—(AP)—The United States was disclosed today to have blacklisted Japan from purchase of either airplanes or bombs in this country because of Japanese army bombings of civilian population in China. The ban, which went into effect last July 1, did not prevent Japan from buying nearly \$9,000,000 worth of American aircrafts early in 1938.

Both Sides Claim Gains Over Spain

Hendaye, France, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Communications from the Spanish armies today reported victory for the insurgents in the east and for the government forces in the west. Troops under General Jose Miaja, said the government dispatch, smashed through Generalissimo Francisco Franco's lines on the southwestern front, moving toward the Portuguese border, and taking Granja de Torrehermosa.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair and somewhat warmer tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy, followed by showers in west and north central portions, slightly warmer in northeast and north central portions, except near Raleigh.

Italy Wants Him Back



Professor Enrico Fermi, Italian physicist who won the 1938 Nobel Prize for discovery of radioactive substances, is pictured in the laboratory of Columbia University, New York, where he will teach. Italian scientists denied reports Fermi would not return to Italy because of anti-Semitic laws there.

LaGuardia Claims Sum Not Enough

New York Mayor Wants \$915 Million and CIO One Billion To Run to June 30; Congressmen Want Amount Sharply Cut Under FDR Figures

Washington, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York declared today that the \$875,000,000 requested by President Roosevelt to keep WPA going to June 30 was \$40,000,000 too low. LaGuardia appeared before a House appropriations sub-committee as president of the United States Conference of Mayors. He said the \$915,000,000 supplemental appropriation he was asking for WPA would bring the total outlay for the relief agency for the year ending June 30 to the \$2,340,000,000 sum suggested by the mayors last April.

Speed Urged To Build Up Air Forces

Aeronautics Committee Warns Congress Nation Is Dropping Behind as Europe Expands Its Aviation; Asks Best Air Corps In World Here

Washington, Jan. 9.—(AP)—The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics warned Congress today that "feverish" expansion of military and commercial air fleets by foreign nations was challenging America's aviation leadership. The committee, which does research into the science of flying, recommended the establishment of a laboratory to experiment with airplane structures. "It is not only a good policy from a financial standpoint," its annual report said, "but also vital from the standpoint of national defense."

Court Ready To Pass Upon NLRB Issues

Washington, Jan. 9.—(AP)—The National Labor Relations Board was granted a Supreme Court review today of its claim to jurisdiction over a local company which contracted to manufacture clothing from goods owned at all times by another concern. The tribunal consented to pass on a decision by the Federal Circuit Court at Philadelphia that the labor relations act could not be applied to the Somerset Manufacturing Company, of Somerville, N. J., because it was not engaged in interstate commerce. The tribunal postponed, at least until next Monday, decision on constitutionality of the Tennessee Valley Authority act, and on the right of a state to ratify after once rejecting the pending constitutional amendment to abolish child labor. The court also agreed to pass on a

Compromise Now Talked On Crop Control Issues

Washington, Jan. 9.—(AP)—Administration supporters in Congress may follow the old principle of "divide and rule" in trying to keep the crop control system from being revamped. Republican gains in the farm belt last November have encouraged critics of the farm program to renew their demand for basic changes in policies. Well informed legislators said today, however, that a major obstacle to a successful assault on the present program lay in the failure of its opponents to rally around one substitute on which all could agree. It will be to the administration's advantage, they pointed out, for this contention to be continued. The critics' nearest approach to a common ground so far is the so-called domestic allotments plan. Last year, this plan lost in the Senate 46 to 40. Basically, it provides for a division of the domestic markets among American growers, with a guaranteed "fair price" for the amount that is consumed in the United States. Farmers would be permitted to produce all they wanted to, but they would have to take what they could get on the world markets for anything in excess of their share of the domestic consumption. Proponents contend this could result in "voluntary" crop control. Under the present law, farmers are given a subsidy to reduce production so that price depressing surpluses may be kept from the market.