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icy Propounded by President in Sunday Night Radio Address: Fears War.

shington, Dec. 31.--(AP)-Sen-Wisceler, Democrat. Montana, in ion disagreement with Presi-Rooevelt today on the question in Europe urged that the States exert every effort for nediate end of the war.

took direct issue with the Presit's defense broadcast statement this nation had "no right or reaencourage talk of peace" unng circumstances.

Wheeler raised the peace question num a radio broadcast last night frankly critical of much general policy which the Chief

United States, the Montana turther declared, "is no lon-

Washington, Dec. 31.-(AP)-Schator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, said today he had received more than 1,000 telegrams about his speech last night urging a peace move by the United States, per cent of them were ble.

The response, he said, was the situlest evoked by any speech he has made in more than 17 the Senate.

ig along the road to war. mning-and don't be fooi-

time before the Wheeler -Foreign-War committee, at a press conference that inistration already had re-Verne Marshall, chairman of No-Foreign-War committee, i at a press conference that

Victory of Our History"; Other News From War Fronts.

(By The Associated Press.) The government-controlled German press unleashed caustic com-

ment today against President Roosevelt's fireside talk Sunday night, while Adolf Hitler declared in a New Year's message to his troops that 1941 would bring completion of "the greatest victory of our history." The nazi fuchrer asserted that "God up to now has placed the

stamp of approval on our battle." At the same time he denied any ambition toward world conquest on the part of the Rome-Berlin axis, Berlin dispatches said that tensing

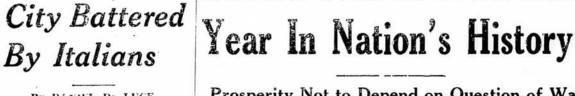
emotions were sharply evident in the German capital, but that the attitude seemed to be that Germany would not allow herself to be "provoked" by President Roosevelt's program for increased aid to Britain. The United States, it was said, will be given a chance to reflect before

being committed to a course more hostile to Germany. The closing hours of 1940 brought a lull in the aerial siege of Britain

today. On the Balkan front, the Greeks dead above ground but in slimy tunreported the capture of more than nets six thousand women, children 1.000 new prisoners and said strong Italian counter attacks had been bombs. smashed despite the fact that Pre-

mier Mussolini's legions were fighting desperately to stem the Greek advance. The Italian high command, how-

ever, asserted fascist troops had in-flicted "considerable losses" on the which more than 50 were marked by Greeks in local fighting. Hitler's message to his armies which overran most of Europe in 1940 declared that Germany was



Prosperity Not to Depend on Question of War By DANIEL De LUCE. Corfu, Dec. 28. (Delayed)—(AP)— The Greek island city of Corfu is or Peace, Economist Says in Annual Summary of Business Outlook.

under British guard to an internment camp. In the background are the ruins of Sidi Barrani, which was cap-

tured, with thousands of prisoners, from the Italians. British advance units are now reported surrounding and beseiging Bardia, in Italian Libya. C. P. Cablephoto.

ROGER W. BABSON'S WORD'S-EYE VIEW FOR 1941

BUSINESS: 10% Gain Over 1940, With Defense Program in High Gear. TREND: Present High Levels Should Be Exceeded Before Spring. POLITICS: No More New Deal Ligislation In 1941. MARKETS: Gradual Uptrend, But Careful Washington Scrutiny, FARMERS: Income Up About 5%, Benefits At Present Levels. WORKERS: Employment, Pay Rolls At Peak Figures. RETAILERS: 5 to 7% Gain in Sales; Prices Slighty Higher. CONSUMERS: Less Than 5% Rise In Living Expenses. REALTORS: Residential Building Up 20%; Rents Steady.

Berlin, Dec. 31.- (AP) -Adolf Hitler's reply to President Roosevelt's Sunday night speech on the United States and the war will be given for the present by the German press, informed sources said today. And the press, they added, will put Mr. Roosevelt's talk down as "undignified in tone, weak in argument, and not convincing".

In addition, it was said, the talk would be characterized as "an appeal to the lowest instincts of the American people." A long column of Italian prisoners is pictured in this photo, flashed by cable from London, marching

At the same time, from the present handling of the German-American situation here as it results from the President's talk, it seemed evident that Germany does not choose to be provoked.

informed sources intimated, the president's speech is uninteresting because "United States support of England cannot delay-much less prevent-Britain's defeat."

It was said that the German press would comment further that the speech "neither politically nor from the viewpoint of its contents caused any surprise" and would add:

"It is remarkable, however, for its accumulation of partialities, untruths and insults to Germany and Italy."

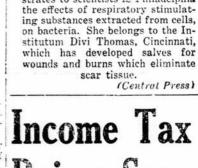
The German press further was expected to express surprise that the "political leader of 120,000,000 people takes up such phrases of the Jewish press and makes them the subject of discourse to his people."

Bardia Defenders Awaiting Events

Cairo, Dec. 31 .- (AP)-The Brit-



Sister Mary Jordan Carroll demon-strates to scientists in Philadelphia scar tissue.



e nazi proffer of "honorable peace terms. Despite this, peace conference still could nged if the administration id approve.

it's assertions were chaled almost immediately in a State artment amount ment which i that no "feasible" peace pro-n had been advanced.

nator Wheeler and Marshall, two ng tiquees in the ranks of those

the aid and kindred subjects. The bind in their criticism yester-bind in their criticism yesterby a number of others who ex- son, Democrat, Colorado, who said evel alarm over some of Mr. higher rates were needed to help evelt's Sunday utterances.

Connally estimated that the new In the opposite camp, meanwhile, was continued commendation Congress would have to raise at least the policy outlined. The White one billion dollars in additional reve-

(Continued on Page Five) NIGHT WATCHMAN

Rennie Padgett, 59-year-old WPA er \$150,000. ght watchman, who was attacked an unknown assailant while on \$15,000 and \$20,000 should make a duty here Sunday morning, died at very substantial additional contribu- from the mouth of the mine. Twelve funding bonds, tion," he declared. hespital here this morning.

He was severely beaten about the we and suffered a fractured skull. lief that "there will have to be heav-Police today continued their in- icr taxes on everybody."

e digation of the mysterious case. Both Connally and Johnson are not no suspects have been arrested members of the finance committee and no motive for the assault has and will play a part in drafting any I new revenue legislation.

License Tags, Make Only

Small Payment On Taxes

"threatened by the world" and that "it is the will of democratic war in-Members of Senate citers and their Jewish-capitalistic Finance Committee wire pullers that the war must con-Put Increased Levies tinue. The nazi fuchrer's number onc in "Must" Class. (Continued on Page Five)

Senator Johnson expressed the be-

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Washington, Dec. 31.-(AP)-FIVE MEN CAUGHT IN FALL OF MINE **ROOF ARE UNHURT**

Indiana, Pa., Dec. 31-(AP)-Five men, all reported safe and un-

Number 2 mine of the Rochester and will occeed in reducing "materialnue from all sources. He listed per-Pittsburgh Coal Company, about 18 ly" the effects of their atlacks. sonal and corporation incomes, elec-

tricity, cosmeties and luxury prod- miles southwest of here. Rescue crews digging into the deucts generally as the probable fields. DIES OF INJURY Specifically, the Texas senator bris kept in communication with the cal Government Commission today Germany, the war may end next trapped miners and expressed hope cal Government Commission today fall. It is evident that both sides will

> "Persons with incomes of \$10,000, of air. The fall occurred about three miles others in the same section escaped.

Hopson Is Convicted

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL

notor vehicle owners have bought

Thank goodness, that's paid for."

tensely to be a sore thumb, a wet blanket or a killjoy; but he has just

been reading some hard figures which show that the ten dollars or thereabout paid for the license tag is, in fact, only a very small down

taleigh, Dec. 31.—Thousands up-en thousands of North Carolina hicle owner will have to fork over baye hought is, in tact, only a very small down utilities system topple like a house of cards, was convicted today on hicle owner will have to fork over of cards, was convicted today on during the year 1941. charges that may send him to a fed-

who from neglect or lack of cash couldn't do so before now, are today standing in long lines waiting to pay their money and get the pretty pieces personal property are about the only almost two months ago, the 58-yearof metal with fancy orange numbers open, unashamed taxes; but by the old founder of the Associated Gas time he has finished paying the state and Electric System heard a jury

As each one gets his tag he breathes a sigh of relief and more or less joyously congratulates himself: the other more or less "hidden" of the juggling of nearly \$20,000,000 levies, he will during the year have of the system's assets.

Your Raleigh reporter dislikes in- paid through the nose to the tune of He was acquitted on a lone con-

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s fascist air raids. Bombs have killed-about 90 persons and injured that

I saw them today cooking soup

over charcoal fires, nursing babies,

sewing clothes, in odorous caverns

They had existed like this since

ankle deep in mud.

Greek Island

BRITISH ANNOUNCE SHIPPING LOSSES

London, Dec. 31.--(AP)-The ad- Copyright 1940, Publishers Financial are not freightened by bombs, as mirally announced teday that 43,300 t-ns of merchani shipping were lost due to "enemy action" in the week question to discuss before making a of starvation will throw a nation

ending December 22. Eighteen ships were bet, it said, of which 15' totaling 32,249 tons were British and three with a tonnage of will continue at least until the fall. 10,451 were neutral.

Naval circles commented that the Five men, all reported safe and un-harmed, were trapped today behind two weeks indicated that counter 1941. 704 of long roof fall in the Kent measures taken against submarines

BOND ISSUE APPROVED

school district, \$10,00 refunding click of such a crop-killing cam-bonds, and Henderson, \$16,000 re-funding bonds.

Ford Plant Threatened With Strike

ing agreement.

The union asked Federal intervention while asserting that the United Automobile Workers were "doing everything within our power to effectuate the purposes mentioned by President Roosevelt" in his address Sunday night.

"We feel it the responsibility of

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Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA Increasing cloudiness possibly followed by light rain in west portion Wednesday and in mountains tonight: slowly rising temperature Wednesday and in west portion tonight.

INVESTORS: Bullish Outlook For Selected Stocks. SUMMARY: Best Volume of Business In Nation's History

By ROGER W. BABSON

Bureau, Inc. Babson Park, Mass., Dec. 31.--A

forecast for 1941 is: "Will World will continue at least until the fall. For the purposes of my forecast, this equivalent to the entire year of

Germany is storing up huge quantities of arsenic to be used in an attempt to destroy the crops of Great Britain next summer or next fall. If England is also storing arsenic and Raleigh, Dec. 31 -- (AP)-The Lo- succeeds in destroying the crops of Wilmington, N. C., De. 21.—(AP) Benue Padeitt 59-ganold WPA were rereiving an adequate supply bonds, including Washington public or otherwise. I say this because the

land is dependent to the extent of only 35 percent on her home crops, while Germany's dependence is 90 percent. Germany, moreover, is unable to import except by robbing adjoining nations, and hence, must

CIO Strike The Revenue department reported collection of \$7,637,155.24 in De-cember as compared with \$6,756,131.-82 in December, 1939, and collections Shuts Down for the fiscal year to date of \$35,-973,034.63 and said this was \$2,847,-874.28 more than the \$33,125,160.35 Truck Plant taken in the like period of 1939. (Continued on Page Two) Fort Wyane, Ind., Dec. 31 .-

(AP)-A strike of CIO United Automobile Workers of America, threatened three times previously, today shut down the International Harvester Company's Fort Wayne truck works, manufacturing parts of Navy vehicles.

The union threw a picket line across the factory's entrances at 5:30 a. m. and company spokesmen said there would be no attempt to open the plant today. About 3,200 workers had been employed.

Negotiations had shifted to Washington on a contract over which the union and company had bickered since the National Labor Relations Board certified the UAW as sole collective bargaining agent for workers in the plant after an election last May.

ish middle east command reported today that the Italian defenders of Bardia, pounded relentlessly by artilconserve all her own crops. People lery, "continue passively to await events." only one person out of many thous-Indications still were lacking of an

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State Gains

In Revenues

to Close.

Lease-Lend Plan

last year.

January 3.

early British attempt to storm the fascist defended Libyan port which has been under British siege for two weeks.

It was believed here the British would refrain from a costly assault, preferring instead to starve out the Italians.

CHASED

New York, Dec. 31 .- (AP)-The Britsih tanker Donax reported in a message picked up by Mackay Radio today that she was being "chased by a submarine" about 450 miles west of Scotland.

SHIP IS SUNK

All Major Revenue Belgrade, Dec. 31--(AP)-Reports Sources Ahead of Last eaching Belgrade said that an Italian transport vessel loaded with war Year as 1940 Comes material? for Albania was torpe-doed by a British warship in the Adriatic sea teday and went down off the Adriatic port of Bar.



General fund collections in Decem-ber were \$2,120,390.13, or 13.8 per- Morrison, minister of home security, announced tonight the British government was planning to make parttime civil defense work compulsory

for every Briton. Morrison made the announcement in a radio address calling on British To Be Presented men and women to form a "civil defense home guard" to defeat the Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)— menace of nazi incendiary bombs President Roosevelt, it was indicated by guarding property where they live at the White House today, probably or are employed, leaving the vast will discuss in his annual message to fire department forces free to fight Congress next month a plan for lend- the worst and most dangerous fires. England. Stephen Early, the President's sion" and and details are being worked out.

logical to him for Mr. Roosevelt to talk about the proposal at that time. of virtual quiet over Britain and At any rate, Early said, the entire after demands had arisen in many proposal will go before Congress quarters for compulsory fire watchsoon after the start of the session

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