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## Willkie Meets Prime Minister Churchill



Wendell L. Willkie, defeated Republican presidential candidate, is shown (left) as he met British Prime Minister Winston Churchill in London. Lining up with Churchill, Willkie handed him a personal letter of greeting when President Roosevelt had entrusted to him. The man in center is a news service correspondent. In a London press conference, Willkie revealed that he plans to study British plane production with a view to co-ordinating it with United States production.

# British Liner Safe

## FDR Agrees To Compromises

### Amendments Redistricting Bill Empress Of To Aid Bill Passes Legislature; Australia Wine Bill Offered Safe In Port

#### Roosevelt Tells Bi-Partisan Conference He Would Not Use Vast Powers Except as Advisors Consider Necessary.

Washington, Jan. 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt emphatically told a bipartisan conference of legislative leaders at the White House last night that while the present aid to Britain bill would authorize him to "do anything under the sun" he had no intention of utilizing the vast powers except to the extent his military and naval advisors considered necessary to aid Britain.

During the two-hour session, one conference said Mr. Roosevelt must "test" a "very tentative proposal" to amend the bill to include some of the amendments which have been passed at Capitol Hill to curtail somewhat the bill's broad scope of powers.

The Chief Executive was understood to have listened favorably to the suggestion that the bill impose a two-year limitation on his leave-lend powers, that he make periodic reports to Congress on his administration of the program, and that the involving of supplies to England be specifically prohibited.

Mr. Roosevelt has been represented by administration leaders as very desirous of obtaining the bill's enactment by substantial majorities in both houses and with a minimum of bitterness. To secure this result he was said to be ready to accept important modifications in the measure.

#### Hero in Greek War



Anastasios Charalambopoulos Following his father to the front by hiding in a troop train, 13-year-old Anastasios Charalambopoulos became a hero of the Greek-Italian war when he was instrumental in capturing several Italian spies. As a reward, the boy was made a lance corporal and is seen here proudly wearing his new uniform.

#### Measure Creates New 12th Congressional District From Present 10th and 11th Districts; Other News Of Assembly.

Washington, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The House passed a bill today to create the new 12th congressional district from the present 10th and 11th districts.

A measure was introduced in the House today to amend the Constitution to limit the term of Congress to two terms.

The House passed the Senate bill to prohibit the state and signed it into law.

Senator William C. Coker today introduced a bill to require that all persons licensed to drive automobiles be licensed to drive.

Several representatives, including Taylor of Wayne, joined in introducing a bill to require the Supreme court with power to make rules for legal procedure in all lesser courts of the state. The bill has been introduced by the various bar organizations of the state.

Another new House bill by Taylor of Wayne and others would give emergency powers to judges to issue writs of habeas corpus.

Those introducing the bill to regulate the sale of fortified wine include Quinn of Duplin. It was referred to the House committee on appropriations and grievances, of which Quinn is chairman.

Senator Lanier of Pitt introduced a bill to repeal the law creating a civil service system for police and firemen in Greenville and provide for their employment by the city.

Pittman of Greene introduced a measure to provide for appointment of the judge and solicitor of Greene county by the county commissioners, when a vacancy occurs and to provide for the removal of court officials under certain conditions.

The House passed and ordered enrolled into a law a measure to repeal a law creating a pension fund for Greenville policemen and firemen.

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#### Big Liner Previously Reported Torpedoed and Shelled by Submarine; British Shipping Losses Mount; Other War News.

London, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The British liner Empress of Australia had been torpedoed and shelled by a submarine 200 miles off the coast of West Africa, it was reported today by a London declaration that the vessel was "safe in port."

London naval sources said "security reasons" barred disclosure of the port sheltering the big liner which carried King George VI and Queen Elizabeth across the Atlantic in 1939 in their Canadian-United States visit.

While Britons rejoiced over the escape of "the Empress" the London admiralty acknowledged that British shipping losses again had mounted sharply to 38,212 tons—sixteen ships sunk in the week ending January 19 in the preceding week losses and captured to nine ships totaling 31,226 tons. The war's average is 62,000 tons a week.

London underwent its first air raid since last Thursday night by German planes. Second and third warnings came after noon.

Italian troops fighting to hold President Mussolini's empire were reported under pressure by the British on four widely scattered fronts in Africa.

The British said their troops were threatening Agordat, about midway in Italian Eritrea, and Barento, to the south.

Other British forces were reported driving into Ethiopia from the north, west and south. South African and colonial forces also were said to be pushing east into Italian Somaliland.

In the north, the British said they were massing men and troops to take Borna, 90 miles west of captured Tabora.

The Greek high command said an Italian counter attack in Albania attempted with tank support had been beaten back.

An Associated Press correspondent with the Greek army said the appearance of German-type warplanes and new bombing tactics in Albania had caused Greek officers to speculate whether German airmen were actively aiding the Italian fleet.

Fighting on the Thailand-French Indo-China border, ended at 10 a. m. (EST) today under an armistice proposed by Japan. Peace negotiators with Japan at a table were scheduled to start tomorrow at Saigon.

Asked for comment on Parker Reynolds, recovering from influenza at Naval Hospital, said:

"I hold Judge Parker in very high esteem. If Justice McReynolds, successor to be a Republican member of the main body, better equipped than Judge Parker."

Judge Parker, whose name was mentioned by the Supreme court by former President Hoover in 1930 but his nomination was rejected by the Senate by a one vote margin.

Caught earlier in the first air raid of his London visit without the best shelter he brought from the United States, Willkie also got into the house without a gas mask—ordinarily required for all entering there.

While Willkie sat in the gallery a laborer told the house that the suppression of the Daily Worker was driving the opposition to war underground and that soon Britain would need "a gesture" to combat such opposition.

There was no recognition of Willkie's visit on the floor.

Before going to commons Willkie visited the Bank of England and met Montagu Norman, the bank's governor. A crowd gathered outside cheered when he left.

Anti-aircraft guns were blazing away during a half-hour conference Willkie held with Arthur Cardinal Hinsley, archbishop of Westminster and leader of Roman Catholics in England, on the attitude of Britain's Roman Catholic population toward the war.

# Morgenthau Testifies

## Says Britain Out Of Money

### Treasury Secretary Says Congress Must Decide Quickly If War Is To Go On.

Washington, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Secretary Morgenthau bluntly told the Senate foreign relations committee today that Great Britain, Greece and China "can't continue to fight" unless Congress enacts the administration's aid bill.

Testifying that the British had exhausted their dollar exchange for buying war supplies, the Treasury secretary said that British orders for 2,000 fighting planes now were being held up for lack of cash.

He asserted, too, during questioning that "eventually" he had charged at some time ago Britain's multi-billion dollar war debt to the United States.

Morgenthau said Britain had placed before the Treasury the "cold, hard facts" that they were running out of money to pay for additional orders. He said it was up to Congress to decide quickly what should

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## Judge Winston Grows Weaker

Winston, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The condition of 83-year-old Judge Francis D. Winston, oldest living alumnus of the University of North Carolina, grew steadily worse today and physicians abandoned hope for his recovery from an illness that has been chronic for several days.

Judge Winston, former lieutenant governor and a one-time superior court judge, is now judge of the Bertie county general court.

He has suffered several heart attacks recently.

# North Carolina State Capitol First Used By Legislature 100 Years Ago

## Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, By LYNN NISBET.

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—One of the pieces of "unfinished business" left on the executive desk by retiring Governor Roy was appointment of a commission, on the part of the state, to cooperate with committees from Raleigh and Wake county in arrangements for observing next the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of Raleigh as the state capital. Perhaps this job was left to Governor Broughton because he is a Raleigh citizen, the first native of the city or county to attain the governor's office.

The governing boards of Wake

## Thailand Charges Truce Violation By Indo-Chinese

Bangkok, Thailand, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The Thailand supreme command asserted tonight that French Indo-China has violated the truce arranged through Japanese mediation and that heavy fighting had broken out again on almost all fronts.

Thus, it was said unofficially here, a new crisis had developed which would require fresh negotiations.

The French were declared to have continued their "warlike operations" after the cease firing deadline of 10 o'clock this morning (11 p. m. Monday EST).

Thailand's retaliation, said the supreme command in a communique, was withheld until after "three hours of French aggression."

## Patrolman Is Kidnapped And Released

Asheville, Jan. 28.—(AP)—A search for the kidnaper of State Highway Patrolman J. A. Sullins extended into Tennessee today.

Sullins, forced at gunpoint to accompany the fugitive in a patrol car to the Tennessee line, was released last night unharmed.

The officer had gone to the aid of Corporal E. W. Jones and Patrolman O. R. Roberts of the patrol, who had chased a big sedan from a Canton filling station to a dead end street in Asheville.

Forced to abandon their car, one of the men was soon placed in custody by Jones, but the other fled to a cornfield and was chased by Roberts. The fugitive managed to disarm Roberts, however, and repeated the process on Sullins, taking both

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## Retirement Bill Urged

### Joint Legislative Committee Hears Proponents of Proposed State Measure.

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Ten representatives of teachers, educational organizations and state employees, urged the joint legislative committee on education today to approve a bill establishing a retirement system for State employees including teachers.

Several other measures were proposed for the bill introduced last week.

Urging a quick, favorable report were State Professor Charles M. Johnson, Rural Commissioner, Genevieve Hood, Director of Public Assistance, Nathan Yelton, Jule B. Warren, secretary of the North Carolina Education Association, and June Rose, superintendent of the Greenville schools.

A subcommittee was appointed to study the bill and proposed amendments and report back to the full committee.

Ray Galloway of Charlotte sought extension of the term of the bill to cover all municipal and county employees.

Rose, as legislative chairman for the Congress of Parents and Teachers, and the bill was "fast" on the committee's program.

## ACCIDENT AT BRAGG IS FATAL TO NEGRO

East Bragg, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Lapsed when a 20-year-old Negro later a victim of a fire, two other Negroes were trapped but they did not suffer serious injuries.

Speakers for the engineering company for which Williams worked said that he was rescued after about 15 minutes of digging.

## Closer Axis Cooperation Is Indicated

Rome, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Italian circles indicated today that military, economic and diplomatic cooperation between Germany and Italy was reaching a more intense phase in preparation for a joint onslaught intended to drive the British from the Mediterranean and set them back in north Africa.

Two spring offensives are in pro-

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## Cotton Plight Laid To War

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Oscar Johnston, president of the National Cotton Council, suggested today that cotton producers should be compensated by the Federal government for the loss of their export market due to war conditions.

He told the third annual convention of the council that:

"Some 35 percent strong, the cotton producers of America submitted to and complied with crop control programs and brought their production into line with consumption.

"Now as a result of the war they are deprived of foreign markets to the extent of some four to five million bales."

To the extent of possibly a million and a quarter or possibly a million and a half bales their domestic consumption is improved by reason of war conditions, but to the extent of two and a half million bales producers are directly the victims of a national policy, regardless of how sound or essential that policy may be."

## Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; slightly colder tonight.

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## Williams To London

### North Carolinian Expected to Be Appointed to New Post of Minister in Embassy.

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## State College Student Killed In Auto Wreck

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—(AP)—N. C. State College authorities said today that two students injured in an accident near Woodridge, Va., yesterday were still in the hospital, but that two others hurt had returned to the campus.

William N. May, 21, of Lenoir, was killed in the accident. He was driving his own car on the trip made by 13 seniors in aeronautical engineering. Yesterday the party visited Langley Field and was en route to Washington when the accident oc-

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