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Commission Completes Long Study

Commission Chairman Declines to Say Whether Report Will Prompt New Labor Legislation; Busy Week Anticipated.

By CHARLES W. DANIEL.
Washington, Feb. 1.—(AP)—A skeleton which was broken in the legislative chamber last two years will get its final introduction to the 1941 General Assembly next week in the report of the state wage-hour commission, which was set up in 1939 to study the question of a proposed state wage-hour law.

At Taylor, Wakeham lawyer and member of the 1939 Senate who was chosen head of the commission, said today the report will be made to the assembly next week—most probably Tuesday afternoon.

The commission met here yesterday afternoon, but Taylor declined to say whether the report it would make would prompt new labor legislation.

Meanwhile the assembly anticipated one of its busiest periods of the session next week, with still another development in the controversy over what to do with wine.

John Coffey of Greensboro, leader of the state wine forces, declared a measure is being prepared and may be ready next week which would give to the state ABC board regulatory power over the sale of wine.

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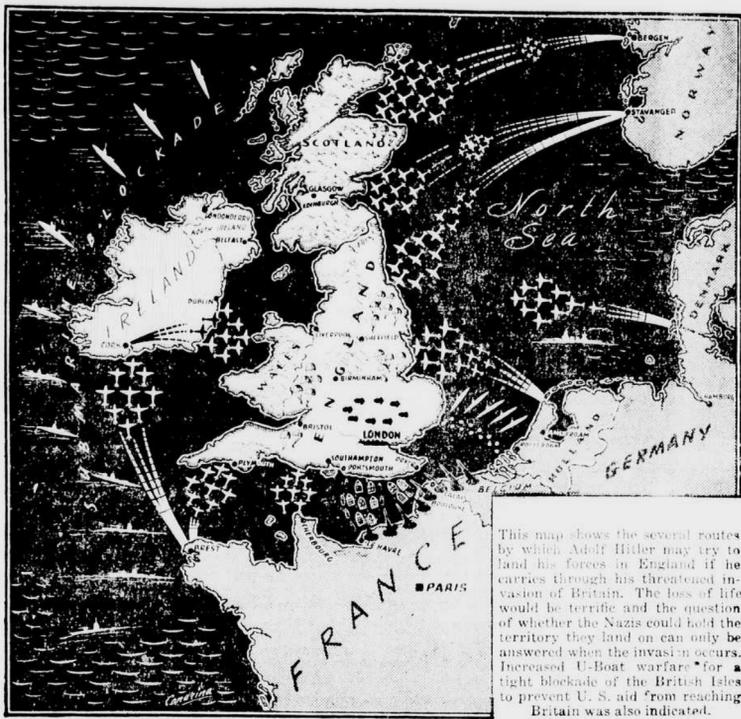
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Possible Routes of Hitler's Promised 'Knockout'



Air War Slows Down

Patent Rights May Be Taken For Defense

Washington, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Government action to take over private patent rights was under consideration by the administration today as a step in America's defense preparations.

President Roosevelt told his press conference yesterday that patents are essential to the manufacture of defense products as are factories and he noted that under existing law the government has power to take control of factories when necessary.

At that point a reporter inquired whether the government was prepared to take control of the Ford Motor Company if such an action became necessary to defense.

Mr. Roosevelt replied that if the word "Ford" were left out and the words "any plant" substituted for it the answer would be yes.

He said he had discussed the patent matter with his cabinet and indicated that there was some question whether present laws were broad enough to permit patents to be taken over.

The Justice department charged Thursday that American patents had been "nailed" by a combination of American and German firms manufacturing magnesium, an important war metal. Announcing that a federal grand jury in New York had indicted six magnesium firms, the department claimed to have found "startling evidence of German influence in domestic industries essential to national defense."

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Weygand Refuses Bid By de Gaulle

Algiers, Feb. 1.—(AP) via radio—General Maxime Weygand appeared today to some half-million French African soldiers under his command to stay out of the war, to accept the armistice with Germany as final and to support the "national revolution" of Marshal Philippe Petain.

"I appeal to you," he said, "not to leave the path of order and discipline which would only mean the destruction of France and peril for all who take part in this undertaking."

Weygand spoke by radio in answer to General Charles de Gaulle, leader of the "free French" forces which are fighting on as Britain's allies, who from London last night called upon the French North African forces to "help complete the conquest of Libya" by attacking the Italians from the west.

Court Rules Bill Opposed

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Feb. 1. Lawyers of House and Senate and there is a large percentage as usual are get-

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British Fear New Drive

Mass Bombings As Prelude for Invasion Attempt Predicted for Springtime.

London, Feb. 1.—(AP)—The weather has dampened the dueling of Britain and Germany's air forces, leaving the field of battle to cross-channel guns, but reliable sources predicted today that springtime in Europe would bring a greater fury than in any previous year the world has ever seen.

By mid-afternoon the only report of actual fighting was of a renewal of bombardment of the Dover area by German long range guns on the French coast.

Also, according to an uncorroborated source, a number of British sources might cause hundreds of thousands of casualties in Britain. Germany had today when spring indicates the end of air waves.

Their increasing planes of air are likely that would dwarf the biggest.

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Willkie Will Return Soon To Testify

London, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie announced today he would leave London Tuesday night to return to the United States to testify on the lease lend aid to Britain bill.

Willkie said he received a cablegram from Secretary of State Cordell Hull last night requesting his early return.

Hull sent a request from Chairman George, Democrat, Georgia, of the Senate foreign relations committee asking Willkie's presence at hearings on the bill.

He had dropped into the American Eagle club in the heart of London in the early morning hours and traded a few jokes with Americans serving in the British forces.

Wheeler In Denial

Montana Senator Denies Saying Nazi Domination of Europe Was Inevitable.

Washington, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, declared today that he "did not say in 1934 or at any other time that Nazi domination of Europe was inevitable"—a statement attributed to him yesterday by President Roosevelt.

In response to press conference questions the President said he had been advised by the late William Dodd, former ambassador to Germany, that Wheeler—an outspoken critic of the administration's British aid bill—voiced this opinion at a dinner party in 1934 or 1935.

Wheeler said in a statement issued through his office here that "this is a desperate attempt to insinuate that I said anything derogatory for American peace and against the entry of the United States into any foreign war."

"The slanderous attack on me attributed to a dead man is absolutely false."

"This is the second time that the President has accused me personally," the Montana senator declared. "The first time occurred after I branded the lend-lease bill as the New Deal's triple-A foreign policy to play every fourth American boy under European or African soil."

"This time I am attacked because warning the American people that the foreign policy of this administration is taking the United States into a war that is not ours."

"I did not say in 1934 or at any other time that Nazi domination of Europe was inevitable. I have always denounced the forcible seizure of territory by Germany, England, France, the United States or any other nation. I denounced it in 1934 and I denounce it in 1941."

Counties Try Again For Road Money

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

Raleigh, Feb. 1. Senator Coble Funderburg of Union has ready for introduction Monday night a bill requiring the State to take over all county road bonds issued prior to 1931, and put in default on July 1 of this year. The bill will specifically relieve the State of responsibility for payment of principal or interest due before that date.

Amount of these outstanding bonds has been rather loosely estimated as between fifty and sixty million dollars.

The proposition that they be taken over is kindred to that by an increasing number of the counties, suggesting that the State should take over all public roads until such time as all public roads are under the statewide system in 1931.

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Legislators Attach Added Significance To Session Thursday At Chapel Hill

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Raleigh, Feb. 1.—As members of the general assembly and state officials had more time to mull over the Thursday meeting at Chapel Hill, some of them are finding more significance in some statements and happenings than they thought at the time. Importance of the occasion will probably be more fully appreciated five years from now than at the present time, according to a group of legislators informally talking it over last night.

Very few words of criticism have been heard if any of the official or

McAdoo Dies



William Gibbs McAdoo, National Republican leader for many years, died here tonight in Washington as the result of a heart attack.

McAdoo Dies In Capital

Heart Attack Suffered Last Night Proves Fatal This Morning to Former Senator.

Washington, Feb. 1.—(AP)—William Gibbs McAdoo, 78, chairman of the American Presidents Lines and former senator from California, died about 10 a. m. today from a heart attack.

McAdoo, who also was secretary of the Treasury during the World War, was named head of the shipping line shortly after he was defeated for re-election by Sheridan Downey in the 1938 California Democratic primary.

Mrs. McAdoo and a daughter, Mrs. Blue Clagett of Washington, were with him at the time of his death. The former senator was stricken during the night at his hotel apartment and was removed to a hospital where he died.

McAdoo was a colorful figure in Washington official and social circles for more than a quarter of a century.

In 1935 at the age of 72 he was married to Miss Doris Cross, 26-year-old public health nurse. This was his third marriage.

In 1914 he married Eleanor Randolph Wilson, daughter of President Woodrow Wilson, in whose cabinet he served as head of the Treasury. It was a second marriage.

McAdoo led the stampede for Franklin D. Roosevelt during the 1932 Democratic national convention when he announced that the California delegation would swing from Governor to Roosevelt.

GOLDEN HARVEST REAPED IN STATE FOR UNCLE SAM

Greensboro, Feb. 1.—(AP)—North Carolina continued to reap a golden harvest for Uncle Sam during January with internal revenue collections totaling \$31,085,182.56, Collector Charles H. Robertson announced today.

This was \$4,205,368.57 over the \$26,879,814.34 collected in the same month of last year. It brought collections for the first seven months of the fiscal year to \$215,295,249.15. That puts the current total at \$215,295,249.15, or \$1,055,231.30 ahead of the \$115,239,017.85 collected in the same period last year.

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Italian Counter Attack Fails

Actual Occupation of Tepeleni Awaits Only Mopping Up of Isolated Detachments, Greeks Claim; Other News of War.

(By The Associated Press)

Greek domination of the mountainous area around Tepeleni was reported today in dispatches to Athens from the front, while Greek sources said recent Italian attempts to seize the offensive in Albania must be regarded now as failures.

Actual occupation of Tepeleni is merely a matter of first mopping up isolated detachments, the dispatches said. Greek gains north of Kiliara and in the coastal sector and retreat of the Italians toward Valona were also reported.

Dutch Protest

The Dutch government in exile instructed its minister in Tokyo to inform the Japanese that the Dutch object any suggestion of having the Netherlands Indies incorporated in a new order in east Asia under the leadership of any power whatsoever.

Nazis Reply to Knox

In Berlin, authorized Nazi sources replied to Secretary of the Navy Knox's assertions that Germany might use gas against England by referring to Adolf Hitler's speech of September, 1939, in which he said: "From now on bombs will be answered with bombs. He who applies poison gas will be fought with poison gas."

War In Libya

British tanks rumbling westward along the coastal and inland roads toward Benghazi, capital of Eastern Libya, were reported to be on the very heels of retreating Italian forces.

The middle east command at Cairo put it briefly thus: "Libya's contact with the enemy west of Derna is being maintained."

With the British on the road to Benghazi, observers here awaited reaction of France's north African army to a new "free French" appeal that it join the fight in Libya to help the British crush Italy's African empire. There was speculation that General Maxime Weygand might answer the appeal in a broadcast from Algiers tonight.

Counter Blockade

Axis spokesmen reported the counter blockade sinking of seven merchant ships and the assist high command noted bitter fighting in Libya, apparently among patrols in which both Italians and British suffered "considerable losses."

Rumania

The uncorroborated Rumanian government tightened restrictions, intended to suppress the elements responsible for a bloody Iron Guard revolt last week. Premier Ion Antonescu ordered the immediate execution of any person (male or female) who worked a treaty and directed soldiers to use every group of bombing to road halting.

Knox Fears For Britain

Washington, Feb. 1.—(AP)—Secretary Knox testified today that he was "tremendously worried" over whether the United States could furnish sufficient aid in time to save Great Britain.

Supporting the administration's aid to Britain legislation before the Senate foreign relations committee, Knox was asked by Senator New, Republican, North Dakota, whether the measure was designed "to understand a British victory."

"Not this bill," the witness replied, "but we do have an interest in seeing that Great Britain is not defeated."

"Can we act in time to save Britain if this awful crisis predicted for the near future comes to pass?" Nye asked.

"Frankly, I don't know," the witness responded. "I'm tremendously worried."

In his questioning Nye repeatedly

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