

FARMERS PREPARE FOR TRUCK CORPS

A number of Castle Hayne farmers are making preparations for putting in lettuce seed as time for the annual truck growing season approaches, R. W. Galphin, county agent, said yesterday.

The truck crops in this area usually mature, with good weather, in the later winter or early spring, coming by about two weeks the second season, and by one week, the South Carolina opening, Galphin said.

As harvesting is completed in this section the Virginia and Maryland seasons open with the harvesting proceeding northwardly on the Eastern Shore into New Jersey and up, as the weeks roll by, he added.

Generalizing, Galphin said that crops of all kinds mature in about the same manner, with harvesting moving northwardly by states, providing a constant flow of fresh vegetables for the nation's tables.

About 40,000,000 of the 56,000,000 square miles of the earth's surface have not yet been accurately mapped.

AUTOS SUFFER \$150 DAMAGE IN CRASH NEAR RADIO STATION

Two automobiles were damaged in the amount of approximately \$150 last night in an accident which occurred on highway 421 North at radio station WMFD. No personal injury resulted.

Highway patrolman J. L. Flowers who investigated the accident, said that a car operated by L. H. Hobbs, 214 North 22nd street, crashed into a parked car belonging to L. A. Moore, 115 B. Marion Drive, Maffitt Village. The Moore car was parked about twenty feet from the highway at the time of the impact.

According to patrolman Flowers, Hobbs who was traveling south, said that he thought a car operated by Irving P. Hewlett, 311 Central Boulevard was making a left turn into the driveway at the radio station.

Hobbs stated that he turned right to avoid hitting Hewlett's car. At this point he also increased his speed and hit the parked car belonging to Moore, the patrolman said.

Hobbs was arrested for reckless driving and ordered to appear at recorder's court at 10:00 this morning.

Puzzle: How To Get Joseph A Birth Certificate Here

Clerks at the offices of the registrar of deeds were told by a Negro boy, who gave his name as Joseph Holmes, that he did not enter military service during the war because "the man fixed it up" for him to keep out.

The statement was made when the clerk asked the boy, whose appearance would indicate that his age is about 20, for his discharge papers in order that they could get some information about him for a birth certificate, which he had asked for.

It seems that the Negro boy, who has no relatives known to him, wanted the certificate so that he could find a sister he thinks lives here.

He said he had never attended school, that he left Wilmington when he was about 15 years of age, to go to work in Philadelphia. When asked how he traveled, he said he "just walked away."

He told the clerk his only record was that of an appearance in juvenile court in 1935, at which time he said he was 11 years of age. He said he appeared again in 1937 at which time his age was 10 years. The clerk is still wondering just how to get him a birth certificate.

FLOODS RENDER 5,000 HOMELESS

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land river towns and several smaller communities were isolated by travel from the rest of the state.

An estimated 3,000 or more of Pineville's 4,000 residents were evacuated into surrounding high territory and about 700 Harlan families fled from their homes. Telephone and telegraph connections were severed in some of the smaller communities but the State Highway Patrol said it had not heard of any more fatalities.

Old-time residents along the Cumberland said the river reached one or two feet higher than the record flood of 1929. The crest at Harlan was reached yesterday, however, and the stream began to fall rapidly. The crest at Pineville was reached late yesterday and the river was expected to start a rapid fall today.

The American Red Cross, which moved into Harlan Monday to help with relief work, set up four camps yesterday in Pineville to feed most of the town's isolated population. Boats, floating over Pineville streets, were used for gathering food from wholesale grocery stocks.

GLOBAL TRAVEL SERVICE READY

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Pan-American Grace, should attract tourists with Panagra continuing on down the west coast of Central and South America.

Less glamorous but more utilitarian are the connections which are provided business men for time-saving flights. A good example is the connection which the lines' 10:10 a. m. flight makes in Asheville with Pennsylvania Central Airlines flight to Knoxville, Tenn., which in turn connects with Delta's Chicago flight, which arrives in the Windy City via Cincinnati at 6 p. m.

Teague said that he had been notified of Army approval of his lines' use of Bluetenthal field shortly before it was returned to the county and said that use of the field would enable the company to give people of Wilmington and vicinity a vastly improved service.

With the use of the field assured, Teague said, the company plans purchase of one, possibly two large 21-passenger Douglas DC-3's and expand the service as traffic justified.

He termed Wilmington one of the best cities on the company's system from a standpoint of passenger and air cargo revenue and predicted that "we can make it the best when we obtain use of the field."

"South East has more to offer Wilmington as an outlet to the West than any other transportation service now serving the city and vicinity and we want to give the best possible service", he added.

When asked if it would be possible for two air lines to operate at the same field without a radio control tower to regulate traffic, Teague said that at several of the airports served by his company more than one airline was operating at the same time under those conditions and said that safety procedure could be handled by the two companies, sometimes more efficiently than when tower controlled.

One more round trip flight is planned to begin immediately when landing privileges are granted at Bluetenthal, Teague said. Stressing the service his line gives passengers, he said that SEA, while stopping at the Raleigh Municipal Airport at present, on occasion when a passenger has a connection with a line using the Raleigh-Durham airport, also landed at that port as well as an accommodation. Teague plans to return to Charlotte today after a conference with County Commissioners.

BOARD REJECTS PROPOSED CENTER

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center, which would have included a drug store, appliance store, accessory store, and garage.

In an affirmative action, the board approved a petition presented by the B. and N. Tire company to construct a new building on the site now occupied by the company at 520 N. 3rd street.

Members of the planning board are H. R. Emory, chairman; W. A. Fonville, W. Ronald Lane, Dr. W. Houston Moore, and A. C. Nichols. J. Fred Rippey is board secretary.

OVERSEAS MESSAGES STOPPED BY STRIKE OF WU OPERATORS

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which transmits overseas messages, is affiliated with the CIO and, therefore, no messages can be sent through this channel. He said, though, the ACA has agreed to handle all messages sent to or originating with the armed forces.

THOMAS DECLARES CANAL FEASIBLE

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canal running from Corpus Christi, Tex., across Florida, joining with another intercoastal canal running northward.

"It looks foolish to leave such a little gap when we have spent so much money to develop the coastal canals," he told a reporter.

Thomas said the Army informed him that during the war 29 ships were sunk while going around the southern point of Florida and 245 lives were lost in 13 of the sinkings.

"I will give the engineers a chance to make their case for further work on the \$50,000,000 project when they ask for funds," he said.

PHONE EQUIPMENT MEN STRIKE TODAY

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for six days in New York and New Jersey.

Weaver said his union was willing to continue negotiations with the Western Electric company, even while the strike was on, but if no agreement was reached "within 24 hours" the union would drop its modified demands and return to the "original demands of April, 1945." No announcement of the modified demands has been made.

A spokesman for Western Electric said the company had no immediate comment on the union's strike vote.

WESTERN UNION STRIKE TIES UP CABLE ANSWERS

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—(AP)—New York city was cut off from telegraphic communication with the rest of the nation today when 7,000 Western Union employees walked out in a strike that CIO leaders said may bring support from 600,000 other metropolitan workers.

The Western Union strike, precipitated by an employees' protest of a War Labor Board decision which revised downward a wage award by regional board, slowed down international cable communications.

Union members in eight international and radio message firms refused to accept traffic from Western Union which usually handles a union-estimated 40 per cent of international communications.

Saul Mills, secretary of the Greater New York CIO Council, said 600,000 members of 300 CIO locals had been alerted "for every possible support deemed necessary" to back the Western Union employees who are members of the American Communications Association (CIO).

\$75 PLUS BICYCLE REMOVED IN THEFT OF GROCERY HERE

Merchandise with a total value of \$75 was stolen from Broad Circle grocery, 2411 Market Street road, Monday night. A bicycle was included in the loot, and has been recovered by city police officers.

The store, owned by A. A. Olmstead, was entered and ransacked after the padlock on the door had been broken, according to city police officers.

City detectives were expected to make an arrest in connection with the robbery, at a late hour last night.

Launch Carries Workers To Ship Basin Project

That motor launch you see leaving the wharf at the foot of Chestnut street each day with a party of men aboard is not a pleasure craft off for a fishing trip. It's the launch that, three times each 24 hours, takes workmen from Wilmington to the dredg Pennsylvania, at work on the basin which is to be the anchorage for the 500 war-built ships which will be berthed here.

The launch is the Sonny Boy, with Capt. Harry Moore, Swansboro, as skipper. Capt. Moore said there are about 100 men working the three shifts at the dredge.

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Thousands Of Dutchmen Ready For Duty In Java

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British Indian rifle units evacuated Oengaran, where a truck exploded and wounded three Indians. Oengaran is 12 miles south of Semarang.

Meanwhile, the unrecognized Indonesian government announced the wholesale arrest of looters and persons suspected by it to be fifth columnists. It was the first wholesale roundup by Indonesian authorities. A spokesman said the arrests were made in Soerakarta, Tegal, Pemalang and Brebes.

GI'S RAISE BIG CAMPAIGN FUND

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Shortly before he issued his statement the president was again reminded of the boiling GI discontent in the Philippines, when columnist Drew Pearson handed him a six-inch stack of papers which Pearson said listed 30,000 GI's in the islands. The names were signed to a slogan "No Boats—No Votes."

The Navy News reported from Guam that 18,000 men attended two protest meetings there, and that a cablegram of protest signed by 6,000 soldiers and costing \$3,600 would be sent to two newspaper columnist (Walter Winchell and Drew Pearson) and to Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.).

The Stars and Stripes, Army newspaper, said enlisted men all over the Pacific were "confused and disheartened."

Committeemen elected at the Manila mass meeting were busy tonight mapping their strategy for an audience with Secretary Paterson and for a campaign to impress on Congress the political potentialities of the soldiers' protests.

AMERICAN IMPORTER MAKES SUCCESSFUL ACCEPTANCE TRIP

The S. S. American Importer, 234th hull to be launched by the North Carolina Shipbuilding company, docked at 6:02 p. m. yesterday at the yard, completing acceptance sea trial, it was disclosed by W. S. McMahon, assistant to the president and general manager of the company, last night.

With a U. S. Maritime Commission trial board as passengers, the C-2 vessel, performed extremely well, McMahon said, in spite of the fact that it was necessary to run through patches of sea fog both going out and coming in Southport.

With the craft accepted, delivery is expected Jan. 10, and the craft will sail in ballast several days later, he said.

Illiteracy will be unlawful in Mexico by March, 1946.

S. S. KING DUE IN TODAY WITH CARGO OF OIL PRODUCTS

The S. S. King, a small tanker with a cargo of petroleum products for the Cape Fear terminal, is due in today.

In port at present discharging a cargo of Chilean nitrate at the Wilmington Terminal Warehouse company is the Cape Lopez, of U. S. registry, whose ships agents are the C. D. Maffitt company.

Due to arrive soon, according to the Port Director's office, is the S. S. Nathan Clifford, a Liberty ship, to load a cargo of goods purchased in this country for England. She will be the second ship to load a cargo for a foreign port in Wilmington since the cessation of lend-lease shipments.

JANITOR ARRESTED IN CHILD MURDER

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grisly crime became known yesterday morning.

Meanwhile, the grief-stricken parents, James and Helen Degan, awaited the burial of the mutilated body of their daughter. The funeral will be from St. Gertrude's Catholic church Friday morning, with private burial services.

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Tucker Is Speaker At Leland Meeting

The Leland High School P.T.A. met last night at the school auditorium with Glenn M. Tucker, principal, speaking to the parents on "What Are the Essentials of School Education."

Others taking part on the program were Miss Elizabeth Perry, 11th grade teacher, who spoke on "Is Education Meeting the Needs of Youth?" Mrs. L. F. Cowan lead the devotional.

SEE KAMER AND SEE BETTER

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JAYCEES TO MARK 25TH MILESTONE The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce is marking its 25th anniversary beginning Monday, Jan. 14. R. B. Howard, president of Wilmington Jaycees said last night that Jan. 14 to 21, will be observed as National Junior Chamber Week by the local group. The organization began in St. Louis, early in 1920 with Henry Giessenber, Jr., as founder and first president. Today over 875 local organizations join with Wilmington Jaycees in celebrating the Jubilee anniversary. The local group is staging their Silver Anniversary banquet, Friday night, Jan. 11, at the Cape Fear Country club. The ceremony will feature the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to the young man of the community between the ages of 21 and 35, who has rendered the most outstanding contribution to the community during the past year. The highlighting of the national Junior Chamber organization will be the key presentation which will be made in Chicago, Jan. 16, to the most outstanding man in the United States.

DREDGE DIGS MILE ON SHIP'S BASIN

Engineers are now conducting surveys, it was said. A second government dredge, the Captain F. Ston, is now at work on the removal of Keg Island shoal and when finished will dredge Midnight shoal, nearer Wilmington, the Engineers office said.

BIJOU TODAY Rough-ridin'... tough-fightin'... 'hombres' whose '45's' ruled the plains! KEN MAYNARD in "DRUM TAPS" with Kermit Maynard also "ONE YARD TO GO"—Comedy Vodvil Novelty

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