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Wilmington and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness during day. Highest temperature today 68 degrees. Lowest tonight 56. Saturday partly cloudy, not much change in temperature.

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51 Nations Hold First UNO Meeting

WARNING ISSUED Premier Attlee Sounds Peace Keynote In Welcoming Address

By R. H. SHACKFORD United Press Staff Correspondent LONDON, Jan. 10.—Delegates of 51 nations met today in momentous first assembly of the United Nations organization to try to lead the world toward permanent peace as the alternative to continued national rivalries which would lead to the chaos of a third world war fought with atomic weapons.

The 2,000 delegates, alternates and spectators crowded into Westminster Central Hall, near ancient Westminster Abbey and the bomb-damaged houses of parliament, on the 20th anniversary of the official birth of the League of Nations.

The fact seemed clear in delegates' minds that the tragic failure of the league was a warning that this time peace-loving nations must not fail.

In the opening speech Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee, welcoming the delegates to London, said that the UNO must become the overriding factor in the foreign policy of world nations.

A third world war, Attlee told the delegates, might halt the progress of civilization for generations. Calling for the same sense of urgency and self-sacrifice in creating permanent peace conditions as was shown in fighting the war, Attlee recalled how the purposes of the League of Nations were defeated by continuance of individual ambitions and power politics.

"The United Nations Organization must become the overriding factor in foreign policy," he said. "The development of powerful weapons of destruction, operating from distant bases, has destroyed the illusion of isolationism."

He was Ernest Grimsley, Jr., whose lifeless body was found by his father at his home here this morning. Bladen County Coroner T. W. Young pronounced the death as suicide. A bullet from a .32 automatic through the youth's right temple caused the death, the coroner said.

No motive was revealed for his act. Members of the family said young Grimsley came home early last night and that shortly after he arrived a single shot was heard, but that no investigation was made at the time. This morning the father found the body.

Coroner Young said that young Grimsley had been drinking before going to his home last night. Grimsley was discharged August 7 after five years in the Army. He wore seven battle stars for service as a technician first grade. He had been awarded the Croix de Guerre with one gold star by the French government. He was in battle in Tunisia, Sicily, Naples, Foggia, Rome, Arno, southern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete. The body will remain at the Peacock Funeral Home at Elizabethtown until Saturday when it will be brought to his home here. Burial will be in Hill cemetery at Fairmont some time Sunday.

Surviving besides his parents, are six sisters, Lillian, Peggy, Dotie, Bonnie, and Catherine, all of Bladenboro; and Rose Lee, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

GEIGER ORDER BANS MEETINGS BY DEVIANTS

HONOLULU, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, commanding general of the Pacific Fleet Marine force, issued orders today forbidding Marines under his command to stage mass demonstrations against demobilization.

The orders were received by Marine company commanders a few hours before Marines were scheduled to meet at Camp Catlin, Pearl Harbor, tonight.

"We have issued orders against any demonstration meetings tonight or any other time at which men enter their alleged grievances," said Brig. Gen. Mervin H. Silverthorn, chief of staff.

"It isn't necessary for the men to hold a meeting to make their grievances known. The Marines have had a standard method as I can remember whereby any man at any time can see his company or unit commander to discuss his troubles and receive an answer."

Silverthorn said letters carrying

General Geiger's orders had been sent to various commanders and they had been told to take "appropriate measures" to prevent any meetings.

"We told our commanders what to do and the measures necessary to enforce the orders are up to them," the General said.

"It's traditional with the Marines that men go to their commanders with their troubles whether it's family affairs, a bellyache or anything else and we don't feel there is any occasion for meetings, which are not a military formation that can be controlled."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The Senate Military committee today ordered an investigation of demobilization and acting Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royall called on the people to end "hysteria to get the boys back home."

Royall will be a witness when a

Confusion Of Issues Befogs Site Hearing

MILLER RENAMED CHARITIES HEAD

The Rev. Alexander Miller was re-elected president, for the fourth term, at the annual board meeting of the Associated Charities yesterday afternoon at the County Court house.

Other officers elected to serve during 1946 were the Rev. Mortimer Glover, vice-president; L. C. Robertson, treasurer; Mrs. Ethel Powers, recording secretary; and Mrs. L. O. Ellis, executive secretary and case worker.

Eight board members who were re-elected to serve three years were Dr. A. H. Elliott, the Rev. Carl Fisher, the Rev. Alexander Miller, Edgar Yow, Mrs. C. F. Darden, Mrs. Richard Andrews, Mrs. Nancy Henderson, and Norwood Westbrook.

Two new members were elected to fill vacancies and include E. L. White, and Mrs. R. S. McClelland.

During the meeting the annual report of the charities for 1945 was given by the secretary in which it was stated that 1,501 families were accepted for family service or public assistance during the year at a cost of \$24,547.30.

On January 1, 1945, the charities had on hand, \$985.68, and total receipts were \$23,373.45, making the total funds for the year \$24,359.13, and a total deficit of \$188.17, January 1, 1946. For case work services and office expense a total of \$6,535.72 was spent for these 1,501 families. A sum of \$12,511.58 was used for food, shelter, clothing, wood, coal, medicine, milk, special hospitalization and miscellaneous expense for 937 Public Assistance cases which were paid out of tax funds of city and county. The county contributed \$9,991.80 and the city \$6,313.58.

James Walker Memorial hospital gave \$275.00 towards services rendered their cases for hospitalization. The charities make investigations for both the James Walker and Community hospitals. A total of \$1,293.07 was given by friends for special designated cases and the Community Chest gave \$5,500.00 for 564 Family Service cases in financial assistance.

Acute housing problem is causing the charities deep concern. Many of their cases are living in sub-standard (shacks) homes that can only be called a shelter and not even that when it rains.

It is hoped by the agency that vacant houses at Maffitt Village can be turned over as a slum clearance project and families who are so crowded might be moved at a reasonable rental.

As the report was read a word of thanks was given to all who have contributed in any way to

Councilmen Hear Many Divergent Opinions On Building

By MEARES HARRISS

A confusion of issues, varying from a plea for the construction of a rifle range to a discussion of possible renovation of Thalian Hall, befogged the community center location question in an open forum held last night in the Superior court room of the New Hanover County court house.

From the first, it was evident that a serious difference in conception in the type of building being planned existed between officials and the approximately 75 people attending.

Mayor W. Ronald Lane, opened the meeting and called upon City Manager A. C. Nichols for an explanation of the present plans.

It was revealed by Nichols that the city was contemplating plans for a combined auditorium and civic recreation center on the proposed 18-acre Marine hospital site, which was acquired by the city in 1943 from the Federal government on a basis of a lease.

The projected structure would be located on 9th street, near Ann, covering a space of about 200 feet by 275 feet in two sections. It would house an auditorium with a 3,500 seating capacity in one section and in the other, a general purpose building which would include facilities, drill floors, kitchens, dining rooms, showers and other community features, Nichols explained.

He said that the whole area would be turned into recreational grounds with possibly a small stadium, facilities for outside sports, night lighting, and ample parking space.

At this point, a representative of the Wilmington Rifle and Pistol club and the Cape Fear Rifle club, terming their present meeting places inadequate, asked that a range be included in the building for the groups.

Mr. Fennell arose then to ask property, and was told that the city Nichols the total valuation of the had purchased it from the government for \$25,000.

Fennell then, using the example of the mislocation of the U. S. Customhouse, said "I don't think that with the huge expenditure on the building that the location should be selected because of a \$25,000 site."

Mrs. J. D. Edwards, of the Thursday Morning Music club, asked if the location had already been decided upon. She said that if a combined "recreation center and auditorium is planned, I think a better location would be 17th and Dawson streets."

After a luncheon with General MacArthur, the 11-member commission consulted on undisclosed topics with MacArthur's economic and scientific chief, Maj. Gen. W. F. Marquat.

The chairman, Maj. Gen. Frank R. McCoy, said the commission would tour Honshu, main Japanese island, and hoped to visit atom-bombed Hiroshima before starting back to Washington Jan. 31.

A spokesman for MacArthur's headquarters cautioned the Japanese press against "being misled by certain of their news sources which were obviously uncredit-able."

Fact-Finders Recommend Raise Of 19 1-2 Cents For GM Workers; National Phone Tie-Up Looms

Unions Will Picket All Exchanges

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OPERATORS IDLE Walkout At Washington To Continue After Conference Fails

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President Joseph A. Beirne of the National Federation of Telephone Workers said he expected the organization's 263,000 members to honor picket lines scheduled to be established tomorrow by telephone installation workers already on strike.

Beirne made this statement to reporters as he emerged from a four-hour session held by the United States Conciliation Service over a separate strike of the Washington operators. The local operators walked out at 10 a. m. today.

They complained of a "speed-up" which they said had been ordered by the local company, and of what they called too close supervision by company officials.

A company spokesman said "no new duties had been added" and asserted that the walkout came when the company insisted that supervisors perform the duties for which they were employed.

There was a one-hour stoppage last Friday over the same complaint. The strike here affected the capital's manually operated switchboards, dial phones were not affected.

The telephone installation workers went out on strike Wednesday for more wages in 44 states.

Beirne said he was informed the installation workers intend to establish pickets around telephone exchanges tomorrow morning.

"I am sure our people are union conscious enough to recognize the badge of labor, Beirne said in dis- closing that he was recommending that operators stay away also.

The installation workers are represented by the Association of Communication Equipment Workers, an affiliate of Biernie's federation.

The negotiations intended to bring about resumption of long distance service in and out of Washington ended in failure.

SHIDEHARA WILL STAY IN OFFICE

TOKYO, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Premier Kijuro Shidehara has decided to stay in office and merely reorganize his cabinet rather than resign with his entire government, the Japanese news agency Kyodo reported today.

The cabinet crisis was brought on by General MacArthur's orders to purge ultra-Nationalists from all levels of the government.

Kyodo said the general elections, scheduled tentatively for this month, would be delayed, possibly for two more months, in order to eliminate candidates affected by the purge orders.

The agency said Shidehara might try to hold on as premier until after the election.

Meanwhile the Allies' new Far East Commission to determine occupation policy met in Japan for the first time.

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INBAD BLOWS INTO TOWN



As fabulous as his legendary Arabian namesake, Sinbad the dog's monarch of all he surveys as he perches in a bass horn on his arrival in New York following an 8-year sea duty tour aboard the Coast Guard cutter Campbell. In his 1,000,000 miles of travel, he managed to pick up six campaign ribbons studded with five battle stars. Seaman I-C Stefano Condatore is at the other end of the horn.

1946 Weed Crop Set At 128,207,875 Lbs.

GRAHAM TO STUDY CAMP CONDITIONS

North Carolina State Highway Commission, will visit Wilmington next week to make an investigation of conditions at the state highway prison camp situated near Wrightsboro.

Addison Hewlett, Sr., chairman of the New Hanover Board of County Commissioners, said yesterday the state began using the county stockade for prisoners in 1931 or 1932, when the state assumed charge of the roads of the county. Last July approximately 25 prisoners there were moved to the camp in Pender county.

During the time the state has had the Wrightsboro camp the camp buildings and other facilities there have deteriorated to such an extent that imminent repairs are imperative, if the prisoners are to be housed there.

This is considered advisable since officials consider the present practice of housing the prisoners at the camp near Burgaw and hauling them here daily for road maintenance requires too much time and loss from work.

Hewlett explained that the cost of repairs on the Wrightsboro camp is excessive since deterioration over a period of years, with few repairs, has resulted in conditions which will require large expenditures to correct.

However, the county commissioners have asked that the prisoners be returned here because of the additional loss incurred in transporting the prisoners to and from Burgaw daily.

VIRGINIA POLICE PUT OUT DRAGNET FOR MURDER SUSPECT

ROANOKE, Va., Jan. 10.—(AP)—A widespread police search was pushed in the Roanoke area tonight for a killer believed to have been responsible for two deaths and robberies in the past four days.

The hunt was intensified after a man identified by police as Roy R. Rice, 50, bookkeeper and general auditor for a bowling concern here, was found today shot to death and robbed in a pasture near Lexington about 50 miles from Roanoke.

Rice's automobile was located in Lexington this afternoon at a railroad station.

TRUMAN LAUDS PANEL REPORT

President's Board Declares Corporation Can Pay Suggested Wage Increases; No Boost In Car Prices Necessary

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—President Truman's fact-finders tonight recommended settlement of the General Motors strike on the basis of a 19 1/2 cent hourly pay raise, and said they were satisfied the company could pay it without increasing the price of cars.

The President endorsed the panel's voluminous report in full and strongly urged that it be accepted.

A White House adviser, whose name cannot be used, indicated, strong optimism over the prospect of ultimate—though perhaps not immediate—acceptance of the plan.

He said preliminary conversations with principals on both sides, in which the proposed raise percentage was discussed, produced no statement or rejection. It was emphasized, however, that there had been no agreement to accept it.

This adviser said that fact that Kaiser-Frazer already has signed a wage agreement with the same union for production of small cars at the former Ford bomber plant at Willow Run, together with reported readiness of Ford to pay any amount agreed to by General Motors, probably will influence General Motors.

General Motors spokesmen said there will be no statement from the company until officials have had a chance to digest the voluminous report.

R. J. Thomas, president of the CIO-UAW whose 175,000 General Motors workers have been on strike for 50 days, also put off comment pending study.

The President termed the report of his three-man panel, compiled in less than two weeks, a "thorough and reasoned document" capable of ending "this most costly conflict" of the past 50 days, and clearing the postwar "industrial skies."

The board proposed a 17 1/2 per cent increase on the present average pay of \$1.13 an hour—more than half the union demand for 30 per cent or 33.6 cents an hour.

The panel said it had satisfied itself the increase would not have "inflationary consequences." It said it was convinced that the company could pay "in the first 12 months after the resumption of production the recommended wage increase without increasing prices."

It assumed that 1942 prices would be maintained, that productivity would be no greater than in 1941, aggregate volume of production would equal that of 1941, but that other costs would be up since 1941.

The panel, whose decision to consider "ability to pay" prompted the company to withdraw from the fact-finding proceedings, said the corporation's profits would exceed the OPA base period of 1941, and with new operations opening up, might top its 1941 production in 1947 by 50 per cent.

SOUTHPORT MAN NOT TO MAKE RUN

SOUTHPORT, Jan. 10.—S. Bunn Frink, Southport attorney, said here tonight he would not be a candidate in 1946 for solicitor of this district.

Frink, who has just completed a tour of duty with the Coast Guard, said that prior to entering the service he had announced his candidacy, but that he withdrew it when he was commissioned by the Coast Guard. At that time he said he would be a candidate in 1946.

"Since having the opportunity of observing the excellent work that is being done by Clifton Moore, B. B. Bunn, present solicitor, Frink said tonight, 'I have decided that I will not be a candidate.'

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WEATHER

(Eastern Standard Time) (By U. S. Weather Bureau) Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday. Temperatures: 1:30 a. m. 65; 7:30 a. m. 61; 1:30 p. m. 72; 7:30 p. m. 69. Humidity: 1:30 a. m. 81; 7:30 a. m. 85; 1:30 p. m. 58; 7:30 p. m. 80. Precipitation: Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m.—.01 inches. Total since the first of the month—.01 inches. Tides For Today (From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey): Wilmington: 3:49 a. m. 11:13 a. m. 4:19 p. m. 11:31 p. m. Masonboro Inlet: 3:36 a. m. 7:56 a. m. 2:01 p. m. 8:22 p. m. Sunrise 7:18 a. m.; Sunset 5:22 p. m.; Moonrise 12:33 p. m.; Moonset 12:47 a. m. River Stage at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a. m. Thursday 12.2 feet.

It's All Okay, Mr. Rogers, It Was Just A Big Mistake

By MABEL ROGERS Call of the police, Mr. Rogers. Your car isn't stolen. It seems Mrs. Evelyn McDonald, veterans' contact representative of American Legion, with headquarters at the Legion Home, 100 South Third street, was in such a hurry yesterday that instead of getting into Ray Galloway's car, which she uses for her work, by mistake she hopped into Richard S. Rogers' car. Both cars were parked in front of Legion Home and both cars were Chevrolet's. With Galloway's car keys, Mrs. McDonald got into Rogers' car, turned the lock on and off she went to the Tide Water power company building at 9th and Gange streets. After completing her business there, Mrs. McDonald returned to the car and was having great difficulty in getting the key to turn over the lock. Exhausted, Mrs. McDonald called Rainey Chevrolet

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And So To Bed

The "blue-shod" thief, who got that way when he trod on the deck of a boat freshly painted in blue at the foot of Grace street Tuesday night, called detectives last night and asked that they thank the Star reporter for tipping him off. "I'll throw away the shoes," he told Detective E. B. "Eed" Murray over the telephone. "And thank the Star for tipping me off." The bold boy with the blue soles made off the boat with a .38 police pistol and two cartons of bullets. He is still at large.