

They Want To Be Long-Gone When It Smacks



These Bikini atoll natives don't want to be around when the atomic bomb tests are made a few weeks hence by the Navy so they're talking about with Comdr. H. W. Grieve, Lieutenant Frey, and Lieutenant Commander Meyer, all left foreground, about clearing out. That's Juda, local Alap chief, at right. Army Task Force Photo.

DEATH TO A VILLAGE

Navy Sets Up Ringside Seats For Bomb Tests

BIKINI, Marshall Islands, Monday, Feb. 25.—(AP)—This is a wonderful ringside seat for the atom bomb test against ships which will anchor a few hundred yards offshore—but nobody wants the seat.

No one knows exactly what is going to happen. So the only spectators will be recording robots.

Seabees will move here soon to set up concrete towers with lead-lined compartments in which cameras and scientific instruments will be placed.

Lovely Island

Bikini is a lovely little island. Water in shades from indigo to turquoise to pale green and capped by pearl white surf, breaks over the coral.

The island is about two and a half miles long and a half mile wide at the eastern end. It tapers off in an arc to the west, and, from the air, has the appearance of a long green scythe splashing water.

How the natives have managed to retain their robust health is a mystery. There is nothing on the island except coconut palms, a few breadfruit trees, taro plants and pandanus trees. A few natives have chickens.

Coral Streets

The village consists of 63 thatched huts, including "government house" and a church. The church is at the tip of a single coral-bordered street.

Chief King Juda (one of the sub-kings under King Jeimata Kubwa, who rules all islands of the atoll) walks to the beach and gravely greets visitors with handshakes.

His people are friendly and good-natured. They have broad, intelligent faces. Missionaries long ago taught them the virtues of clothes, which they wear with local improvements. But children run about unabashedly naked. Some of the younger men wear only a breechcloth.

Didn't Like Japs

Until a few months ago, there were Japanese on the island. Some native children look suspiciously Japanese, but our interpreter said Bikinians never were overly fond of the invaders.

In the cool shadows, old women

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I Am Not Perfect . . .

Sometimes I may neglect to leave your copy of The Morning Star. If I do, please phone 2-3311 Star-News Circulation Department before NINE o'clock and they will send you a copy. Thanks.

Your Morning Star Carrier.

GOIN' FISHIN'?

Beach To Count Noses To Find Party Boats

The Wrightsville Beach Chamber of Commerce is making a survey of "Party boats" available to sportsmen who wish to make fishing excursions in the waters of the vicinity.

The State Department of Conservation and Development is assessing the sporting facilities of North Carolina. At the department's request, the Chamber is urging owners who have boats for hire to register with them, information that can be passed on to visiting anglers.

Questions Asked A description of the boats, their type, size and equipment; the species of fish taken, the locations fished, are facts

sought by the Chamber's survey. Also, they ask that the owners give the address of the boat's place of mooring, the rates of hire, and the season during which they operate the craft.

The information compiled will be included in the business directory that the Chamber plans for the coming season.

Boon To Waltons

It is pointed out that the results of the survey will be to the benefit of boat and owners and to sportsmen who visit the Wrightsville Beach for the ocean, sound and river fishing to be had in that locality

U. S. CARDINALS ASSUME CHARGES

Mooney Of Detroit, Stritch Of Chicago Take Over Churches In Rome

ROME, Feb. 24.—(UP)—Two new American Cardinals took titular possession of historic Roman churches Sunday as the Pope prepared for tomorrow's unprecedented secret audience with Cardinals and Vatican diplomats at which he may comment on the Catholic church's role in world affairs.

In brief, colorful ceremonies Cardinals Edward Mooney of Detroit and Samuel A. Stritch of Chicago took possession respectively of the American Church of Santa Susanna and of Santa Agnes Outside the Walls.

Policy Expected Many informed Vatican sources believed that at tomorrow's collective audience with members of the Sacred college and diplomats accredited to the Holy See—virtually a fifth consistory—the Pope would discuss world affairs and outline a political policy for the newly-internationalized College of Cardinals.

Some quarters, however, suggested that since the meeting is to be secret, the Pontiff is not likely to take this opportunity to make policy pronouncements. The Pope will speak in answer to an address of greetings by Antonio Pacheco, See CARDINALS on Page Two

GIRL ARRIVES SAFE AT CHARLESTON BUT BOY HASN'T HEARD

The Girl has arrived in America. Mrs. Yvonne Glenn was one of 11 French and Spanish wives, one fiancée, and four babies of American service men who arrived in Charleston, S. C., yesterday from Oran, Algeria, aboard the freighter C. Francis Jenkins, after a stormy Atlantic crossing.

Mrs. Glenn nee Membrives, was the subject of a recent Star story about James Glenn, ex-serviceman, who'd come back home and then, momentarily, lost track of his bride after seeing her only four days of nearly a year of marriage.

Glenn is the nephew of Mrs. E. W. Stacy, Carolina Beach Road. He is now at work in Lake Wales, Florida, after leaving here last Tuesday by plane. He didn't know when he left where his bride was. He'd last heard from her Jan. 11 and then learned she was making the Atlantic crossing.

So far as the Star could learn last night, Glenn doesn't know his bride has arrived safely in America.

Mrs. Glenn is French and lived in Oran when she met Glenn.

The Weather

FORECAST North and South Carolina: Monday fair and little change in temperature. (Eastern Standard Time. (By U. S. Weather Bureau)

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday.

1:30 a. m. 54; 7:30 a. m. 48; 1:30 p. m. 56; 7:30 p. m. 44.

Maximum 56; Minimum 48; Mean 57; Normal 49.

Humidity 1:30 a. m. 82; 7:30 a. m. 100; 1:30 p. m. 50; 7:30 p. m. 78.

Precipitation Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m.—1.15 inches.

Total since the first of the month—1.85 inches.

Tides For Today (From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey).

High Low Wilmington 4:47 a. m. 12:04 p. m. Masonboro 5:01 p. m. 8:43 a. m. 2:20 a. m. 8:53 p. m.

Sunrise 6:46 a. m.; Sunset 6:06 p. m.; Moonrise 2:11 a. m.; Moonset 12:19 p. m.; River stage at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a. m. Sunday, no report.

Settlement Of GM Strike Still Cloudy

Four New Major Walkouts Threaten Nation While Negotiators Recess

IDLE LIST GROWING

Transport Workers Set To Tie Up All New York Transportation Tuesday

STRIKES AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

Four new major strikes in the making—nation wide steep of telephone service, power shutdown in Pittsburgh, transit strike in New York, a utilities shutdown in Houston, Tex. Milk drivers at Cleveland vote to walk out. Idle in labor disputes continue at 970,000 workers.

Major developments: Automobile — prospects for quick settlement of General Motors strike darkened when negotiators recessed until Monday with wages, seniority and vacation pay still in dispute.

Houston Threatened Municipal—Striking workers at Houston, Tex., threatened shutdown of cities utilities after withdrawing similar threat last Friday.

Communications — National Federation of Telephone Workers go ahead with plans for possible coast-to-coast telephone strike March 7.

GOVERNMENT PLANS EDUCATION PROGRAM WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—(AP)—The government set out Sunday to educate the labor leaders of tomorrow in a long-range program to hold down future strikes.

Secretary Schwelblich and his top labor department officials, who since V-J Day have been going through an unprecedented series of See STRIKES on Page Two

NEW GRAPE VINES DEVELOPED IN N. C.

Dr. Charles Dearing Announces Fruit Of 41 Years Experimentation

BURGAW, Feb. 24.—Dr. Charles T. Dearing, assistant director in charge of the Coastal Plain Experiment Station at Willard, has introduced 15 new muscadine grape varieties to fruit growers and nurserymen as a result of breeding work conducted by the Bureau of Plant Industry in cooperation with the North Carolina State Department of Agriculture, under his direction at the farm at Willard. These 15 new muscadine varieties are the first introductions resulting from Dr. Dearing's breeding investigations started in 1905.

The selections are named Cape Fear, Wallace, Pender, Burgaw, Tarheel, Duplin, Topsail, Orton, New River, Morrison, Onslow, Stanford, Kilgore, and Creswell.

Six of the introductions are of a new type which was non-existent at the time the breeding investigations started, the State Bureau of Plant Industry announces. These are known as flowered and self-fertile (female) varieties like superponing which set fruit only when pollinated by insects bringing fertile pollen from male vines or hermaphrodites.

The introduction of this type of muscadine grape permits use of the hermaphrodites in lieu of male vines in vineyards which, on the basis of 1 to 8, would amount to

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Along The Cape Fear

WILMINGTON-AMERICANA—A short time ago we ran a little story about the Skating-Torpedoes.

To refresh your memory, which, like ours, is probably still pretty congested with oystershells, the Skating-Torpedoes are a bunch of kids who have made a skating rink out of the Woodrow Wilson Chamber of Commerce Hut sidewalks.

They're a nice bunch of kids, typical young Wilmingtonia-Americana, healthy, full of life, noisy, and not afraid of falling down ker-bump on the sidewalk, which they do frequently.

Like most Americans, they bounce right up, ready to go at it again.

Also, like most Americans, they like to see their names in print. So here they are, reading from left to right.

INTRODUCING—Donald Morton (leader), 2B Emerson Head, 2C—Susan Walker, 3—Richard Mc-

MASS STRIKE FACES EGYPT IN WIDESPREAD REVOLTING; SHIP RAMS CHARLESTON SPAN

Demolishes Long Length In Structure

100 Yards Of Cooper River Bridge Torn Away In Sunday Crash

REPORT AUTO LOST

No Casualties Listed When 10,000-Ton Freighter Rams High Bridge

ON CHARLESTON BRIDGE

Mr. and Mrs. Gordan Doran, Columbia avenue, returning yesterday to Wilmington from Charleston, were crossing the Cooper River bridge in their car when the tide-caught Liberty ship crashed into the No. 2 span.

Doran's car led a group of five cars that were last to cross the bridge before the collision.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 24.—(AP)—A 100-yard section of the eastern approach to the two-mile-long Cooper River bridge was demolished Sunday afternoon when a 10,000-ton freighter, dragging its anchor, ramm'd the supports of the span.

The steamer, the Nicaragua Vic-

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CONGRESS TO ACT ON HOUSING BILL

House To Begin Debate On Emergency Measure To Ease Shortages

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—(AP)—Congress gave a number one spot Sunday to legislation aimed at easing the nation's acute housing shortage.

The House begins debate Monday on an emergency measure giving the Federal government broad

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MAD PIANIST PLAYS CHOPIN, BEETHOVEN; MAKES QUIET EXIT

DETROIT, Feb. 24.—(AP)—A mad pianist, assisted by guards, kept 300 of the nation's top musicians enthralled here Saturday with a weird and beautiful concert.

His face expressionless, the artist, an inmate of the Wayne County General Hospital's psychiatric ward, bowed silently and left the stage apparently unmoved by the thunderous applause that followed his rendition of intricate masterpieces by Chopin, Mozart and Beethoven.

His appearance was arranged by Dr. Ira M. Altschuler, hospital psychiatrist, to demonstrate to a conference of the Music Teachers National association the value of music in aiding the mentally ill.

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Tough Talk Ousts Kid Gloves



It would seem the diplomatic gentleman, so used to talking in honeyed tones, now is going to resort to tough talk. As if he posed for the new trend, General Walter Bedell Smith, right, who was Eisenhower's right-hand man in the Battle of Europe and who is now U. S. Ambassador to Russia, looks like he's getting down to brass tacks with Maj. Ilya Sarayev of the Russian Embassy in Washington.

International Photo.

CABBIES TRAPPED!

Police Nab 16 Drivers On Overcharge Counts

Sailors, Returning To Local Department, Gather Evidence On Taximen On Rides Around Wilmington.

Sixteen Wilmington taxi drivers were arrested and charged with overcharging fares and failure to display properly their operator's license, Saturday night and Sunday morning.

The offenders were caught, with the help of two World War II veterans, who will soon return to the police force.

The veterans, dressed in their Navy uniforms acted as "decoys" in the police department's scheme to probe recent complaints by residents and visitors, who said that taxi drivers had been "overcharging" them.

CONDUCT OF GIP'S IN GERMANY CALLED 'VERY DEPLORABLE'

NUCKENBERG, Ger many y. Feb. 21.—(AP)—Capt. Frederick B. Eutsler, captain of the 487th U. S. Porth Battalion, declared Sunday in a letter to the newspaper Stars and Stripes that the public behavior of American troops in Germany has become "deplorable."

He urged that the newspaper "launch a crusade against this disgraceful conduct which is earning a bad name for our army."

"Drunkness and vulgarity in public places, even in Red Cross and other military clubs, is increasing," he said.

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HOUSES HUNTING SLAYING SUSPECT

State Prison Dogs On Trail Of Gause Landing Negro; Farmer Slain

Special to The Star SHALLOTTE, Feb. 24.—Bloodhounds from the State prison system were Sunday night on the trail of Leon Gause, 26, Gause Landing Negro, sought in the shotgun slaying of H. Jim Williamson, Shalotte farmer who died Saturday night from wounds received from a hidden assailant.

Arrested in connection with the See BLOODHOUNDS on Page Two

WIZARDS OF TOMORROW

NHHS Trains Youngsters In Scientific Mysteries

By LARRY HIRSCH This, we are all well aware, is the Age of Science.

It is an axiom that in order to have science you must have scientists.

And it is a universal fact that most scientists nowadays don't their first real robe of learning in that modern scientific institution — the high school.

Oldtimers Handicapped Consider — if Aristotle and Lucretius and those other old-timers had been able to go to a modern high school, how

Students Hit British Rule In Protests

Indian Air Force Mutinous In Brooding Quiet Hanging Over Bombay

JEWS HOLD TEL AVIV

50,000 Attend Funeral Of Four Raiders Killed By British Soldiers

CAIRO, Feb. 24.—(UP)—Egyptian students have called a nation-wide general strike for Monday to commemorate 13 Egyptians killed in Thursday's rioting and authorities immediately adopted special security measures to avoid more bloodshed.

The Students' Executive committee urged all Egyptians to take part so that "imperialists will feel the peoples' condemnation of their shameful challenge on unarmed demonstrators."

Two previous general strikes, Balfour Declaration Day last November and Evacuation Day on Thursday, ended in violence and death. Thirteen were killed and more than 100 injured in Thursday's disorders after British troops opened fire on demonstrators.

Student delegations called on cabinet members exhorting the government to join in the strike, but the ministers, following the lead of Premier Ismail Sidky Pasha, were non-committal.

Premier Sidky broadcast an appeal to Egyptians to maintain business as usual Monday. He promised reinforced police and troops to safeguard lives and property of shopkeepers, transport employees and the public in general.

Students Massing Saturday, 10,000 students massing at Fuad university campus pro-

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PROPOSALS MADE TO CHARTER SHIPS

Commerce Department Suggests Leasing U. S. Bottoms

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—(AP)—The Commerce department Sunday night suggested chartering of U. S. ships to other countries. It said that taking a "substantial volume" of U. S. merchant shipping out of operation now would result in "a scarcity of world tonnage and higher freight rates."

Because of record ship construction from 1939 through July, 1945, the department said, this country now has 40 per cent of the world's merchant tonnage, without taking into account 8,000,000 tons operated by the Army and Navy.

The department, in an article prepared for its Foreign Commerce weekly, suggested chartering U. S. vessels for operation in trade among other countries as well as in trade with this country.

"A liberal supply of tonnage, reasonably low freight rates and diversified service will result in a larger volume of international trade and wider employment both within and outside of the shipping industry," it said.

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HOUSES HUNTING SLAYING SUSPECT

HOUSE COMMITTEE NEARS SHOWDOWN ON BONUS FOR VETERANS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—(AP)—The House Veterans committee is nearing a showdown on the plan of Chairman Kohn E. Rankin, D., Miss., to give a \$1040 bonus to every veteran with more than 90 days service.

The committee is scheduled to begin hearings Thursday on proposed changes in present veterans laws. Rankin told reporters Sunday night that the insurance system will be the first topic under discussion and that he does not plan to bring up his bonus plan right now.

WIZARDS OF TOMORROW

NHHS Trains Youngsters In Scientific Mysteries

much quicker they could have accomplished what they finally did accomplish.

The modern high school teaches everything of a general scientific nature from "A" for Algebra to "Z" for Zoology, and it develops and stimulates in the scientific-minded youngster the urge to "go on" from there.

Explore Universe Just how well the high school is doing the job of urging its students to "go on" is illus-

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