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Hoover Reports To President



Former President Herbert Hoover (right) reports to President Truman in the White House on returning from his tour of Europe and Asia, where he investigated famine conditions. Stating he believed voluntary conservation is best in fighting hunger in foreign lands, Mr. Hoover declared he saw no reason for resuming wartime rationing in the United States. The White House announced he would undertake a food investigation in Latin America. (International Soundphoto.)

DIVORCE MILL

Three Charlotteans Indicted By Jurors At Least Eight South Carolina Residents Are Said To Have Obtained Degrees Issued By Lawyer, Others

CHARLOTTE, May 14.—(UP)—Somewhere in South Carolina there are at least eight persons who think they are legally married after being divorced by an alleged Charlotte, N. C., divorce mill, it was revealed here Tuesday night in a grand jury action against three local residents. Judge Felix Alley, of the Mecklenburg county Superior court, Tuesday issued capias for the three persons after a grand jury had returned true bills of indictment.

BRITAIN AGAINST CEDING OF BASES

Bevin Tells Byrnes That He Will Not Consider Any Move Now

LONDON, May 14.—(UP)—Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin has told Secretary of State James F. Byrnes that Britain will not consider ceding any of its Pacific island bases to the United States at this time, informed sources said Tuesday.

MANCHURIA BREAK HINTED IN CHINA

Government Office-Holders Reported Ordered To Disputed Area

NANKING, May 14.—(AP)—A break in deadlocked negotiations over Manchuria was hinted Tuesday in a Peiping report that Chinese government office-holders had been ordered to proceed to the area.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

MISTIS' GITTIN' A NEW SUIT... SHE SAY SHE KNOW WHAT IT GWINE LOOK LAK UH-HUH! — BUT DO SHE KNOW WHAT SHE GWINE WHOOK LAK IN IT?!



PRESIDENT SIGNS DRAFT EXTENSION BILL; RAILROADS, UNIONS TO RESUME WAGE TALKS; CIVIL SERVICE WINS COMPLETE VICTORY AT HEARING

Judge Parker Denies Plea To Gamewell

Injunction Also Refused To Two Residents Of Sunset Park Area CONTRACT IS LEGAL Court Finds Council Not Guilty Of Fraud In Alarm Box Contract

The City of Wilmington won a complete victory in defense of its contract for 111 Horni fire-alarm boxes when Superior court Judge Hunt Parker denied both the Gamewell company and two Sunset Park citizens an injunction to stop the contract in the closing session of the heavy, two-day case yesterday afternoon.

Not Guilty "I find that the city council of Wilmington in awarding the contract to the low bidder (Wilmington Electric Supply company) is not guilty of fraud, unfairness, bad faith, or abuse of discretion. The contract is therefore legal, and hence the plaintiffs' pleas for injunction are denied."

GOVERNMENT WILL CUT BREAD BASIS

Normal Supplies To Be Reduced By 15 Per Cent On July 1

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(UP)—Moving to funnel more grain to famine areas, the Department of Agriculture Tuesday announced a wheat requisition program which may reduce normal bread supplies 15 per cent beginning July 1 and put another crimp in beer and whiskey reserves.

Drastic Steps The drastic steps were taken to guarantee that 250,000,000 bushels of wheat—one-fourth of the estimated 1946 crop—will go for famine relief.

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The Weather

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SENATE MAY HALT CONTROL MEASURE

Foes Of Speedy Action Spring Surprise With Counter Proposal

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(UP)—Senate opponents of swift labor control legislation brought out unexpectedly Tuesday a counter proposal for investigation of the causes of strikes and industrial disputes.

J. HOLMES DAVIS IS NAMED TO COUNCIL ON TAX QUESTION

(Special To The Star) NEW YORK, May 14.—The appointment of J. Holmes Davis, board chairman of Spofford Mills, Inc., Wilmington, to the Tax Council of the National Association of Manufacturers was announced at NAM headquarters here Monday.

Along The Cape Fear

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DEVERS BELIEVES IN ATOM DEFENSE

Army Ground Force Chief Says Some Type Protection Coming

GASTONIA, May 14.—(AP)—Gen. Jacob L. Devers, chief of the Army ground forces, predicted Tuesday night that some type of protection would be devised against the atomic bomb.

LEWIS DEMANDS FUND OKAY BEFORE SIGNING

UMW Leader Vows He Will Negotiate No New Wage Agreements Unless Welfare Clause Is Included; Union Supervision

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(AP)—John L. Lewis demanded for his United Mine Workers Tuesday the sole management of a health and welfare fund built on a seven percent payroll levy and vowed he would negotiate no contract "now or later, that does not provide such a fund."

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MacArthur Meets Eisenhower



On his arrival at the Tokyo airport, while making an inspection tour of United States installations in the Japanese area, General Dwight D. Eisenhower, U. S. Army Chief of Staff (left) is greeted by General Douglas MacArthur, who was once his commanding general in the Philippines. This was their first meeting since before World War II. U. S. Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International Soundphoto.)

NO CONTRACT

Lewis Demands Fund Okay Before Signing

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(AP)—Soft coal operators tonight reaffirmed their opposition to the principle of the seven percent payroll levy for a miners' welfare fund demanded by John L. Lewis, shattering any hope of immediate settlement of the coal controversy.

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FATAL LOVER

London Girl Collapses, Dies From Hugs, Kisses

LONDON, May 14.—(AP)—Florence Quarrel's fiancée hugged and kissed her so ardently that she collapsed and died, a London coroner said Tuesday.

Senate Okays House Orders On Inductions

Truman Reluctantly Affixes Signature To Stop-Gap Measure JULY 1 DEADLINE Upper House Vote Comes After Langer Speaks For Four Hours

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(AP)—President Truman affixed a reluctant signature Tuesday night to a stop-gap bill extending the draft until July 1 but banning the induction of fathers and youths 18 and 19 years old.

CITY COUNCIL MAY SECURE ARCHITECT

Richard L. Burnett To Take Seat At Meeting This Morning

The oath-taking of Richard L. Burnett, Sunset Park resident, as the new member of the city council, and the possible selection of an architect to design the city's proposed \$1,000,000 sewage disposal plant, will highlight this morning's city council session.

ALONG THE CAPE FEAR

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