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North Carolina—Considerable cloudiness and little change in temperature Sunday morning, occasional light drizzles west and central portions early Sunday morning. Partly cloudy Sunday afternoon, warmer north and west portions.

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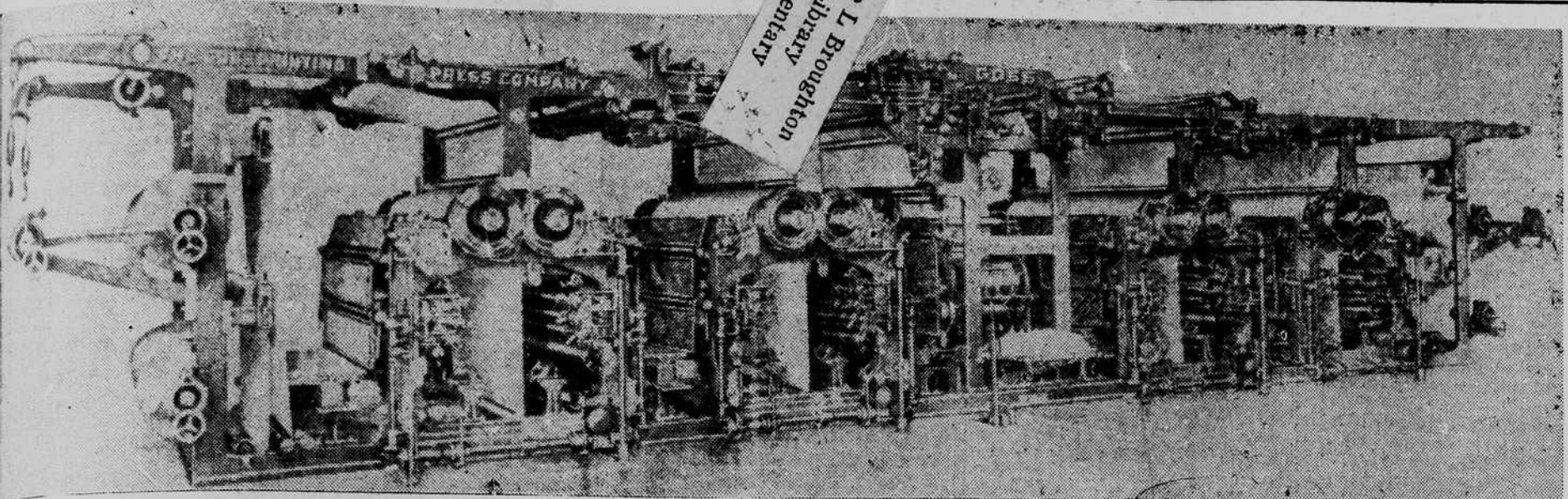
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Goss Press Purchased By Wilmington Star-News



Shown above is the Goss low construction, high speed, octuple press recently acquired by the Wilmington Star-News newspapers. Construction of an addition to the present plant to house the press has been started. As soon as the building is completed, the press will be installed and is expected to be placed into operation early in November.

## PARTYING GENERAL KEEPS TRAVEL PAY

Garsson Wedding Party, Issues Statement

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—(AP)—Gen. Alden H. Waitt has no intention of turning back the government \$36 he collected as mileage for the New York trip on which he attended the wedding of Murray Garsson's daughter.

He disclosed today he has submitted letters from war contractors in New York to support his contention that the 1944 trip, which featured prominently in the Senate committee's inquiry into the Garsson Munitions enterprise, was "necessary and important" to the war effort.

Attending the wedding was "incidental" and the \$36 collected from the War Department for the Washington-to-New York round trip by rail was "entirely proper," Gen. Waitt told a reporter.

The chemical warfare chief and chairman May (D-Ky) of the House Military Affairs committee were among those who attended the wedding of Natalie Garsson to Maj. Louis Klebonof at the Hotel Ritz on the evening of Jan. 2, 1944.

The committee has heard that the bride's father paid the hotel expenses of General Waitt and some other guests.

After the general accounting officer had observed that the trip appeared to be for the general's personal convenience, Waitt sent the Army Finance office a letter saying the primary purpose of the trip was Army

## SEVERE SHORTAGES OF MEAT FORECAST

Fast Return Of U. S. Black Markets

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—(U.P.)—The nation's housewives, harassed during the war by severe meat shortages, were told tonight that the worst was yet to come.

They were prepared to line up again for meat counters as livestock experts predicted a return of the black market and meat shortages on an unprecedented scale.

George Dressler, executive secretary of the National Association of Retail Meat Dealers, said the nation faced "the worst meat shortage we've ever had."

Receipts of cattle and hogs at the larger packing centers dropped sharply last week, but consumers were not expected to feel the impact until next week.

Many packinghouses closed, laying off thousands of workers. Others operated with skeleton crews. Hundreds of meat markets pre-

## Wilmington Star-News Launches \$285,000 Program Of Expansion

FOOD DEALERS TO MEET HERE TODAY

Undersecretary Of War Royall, Lt. Gov. Ballentine Speakers

Addresses by national and state figures will highlight the three-day convention of the North Carolina Food Dealer's association which convenes this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Ocean Terrace Hotel, Wrightsville Beach.

Scheduled to appear on the program are Kenneth C. Royall, Undersecretary of War; Lt. Gov. L. Y. Ballentine, and State Senator George T. Penny.

A dinner for state and Wilmington directors, and their wives will be served at 6 o'clock this evening in the first event of the three-day convention.

A state director's meeting will convene at 7:30 o'clock with the president's reception scheduled to follow at 8:30 o'clock.

Entertainment will be offered during the evening with Nathan Humphrey in charge of arrangements. A community sing, led by Wilbur Doshier, Wilmington postmaster, is included on the agenda.

The 400 expected delegates will get down to the business of the convention tomorrow morning following a state officer's and director's breakfast at 8:30 o'clock.

The first business session will be called to order at 10:30 o'clock by R. B. Roebuck representing the Wilmington Retail Grocers association. Invocation will be offered by the Rev. W. J. Stephenson, pastor of the Temple Baptist church of Wilmington.

Mayor W. Roland Lane, of Wilmington, and Walter J. Cartier, secretary of the resort's Chamber of Commerce, will welcome the visitors. Response will be given by Dr. S. Scarborough, of Durham.

Jerry B. Wood, president of the North Carolina Processor's association and L. L. Ray, executive vice president of the North Carolina Dairy Product's association will deliver addresses during the morning session.

After a luncheon—a special one will be held for the ladies—the group will reconvene with Clyde Ayers, state president, calling the delegates to order at 2:30 o'clock.

An address by Lt. Gov. Ballentine will spotlight the afternoon session which will be supplemented with talks by L. V. "Bob" Well, executive vice president of H. A. Deadwyler Advertising agency and W. H. Goan, general manager of Radio station WAKS, of Charlotte.

The first annual banquet of the Tar Heel organization will be held in the hotel dining room at 6:30 o'clock following which Royall will speak. His talk will be carried over WMFD, Wilmington; WPTF, Ra-

Ground Broken For Large Addition To House Recently - Acquired 64-Page Goss Press As Papers Continue Record Growth

A \$285,000 expansion program of the physical plant of the Wilmington Star-News newspapers, based on installation of a recently-acquired 64-page Goss press, was announced yesterday by R. B. Page, publisher.

Work on the extensive project has been started and the greater part of it should be completed early in November, he added.

"The plans for expansion we are making every effort to effect as early as possible were proposed in 1941. We felt then that improvements and modernization were vital necessary in the advancement of the newspapers. But the war forced their sudden postponement," Page said.

"Since then, the newspapers have enjoyed unprecedented growth. As an example, their circulation, as certified by the Audit Bureau of Circulation, has been doubled in the past five years. Now, with the war over, it is possible to start the physical extension program. Handicaps of equipment and material shortages have been tremendous but they have been overcome to an extent that the beginning is possible.

"The program we are undertaking can well be interpreted as the full confidence of the Star-News in the future growth of Wilmington and Southeastern North Carolina.

"This fine section is now on the eve of its greatest development. It is the debt obligation of the Star and News to keep step with this advancement as they continue their 24-hour service as its leading newspapers," Page added.

Ground for the erection of a \$9,000 addition to the three-story annex of the Murchison building occupied by the newspapers was broken during the past week by the contracting firm of Gillette and Miller, of Wilmington. Located in the rear of the annex, the building will house the new press and the present press-room will be converted into a larger, more convenient mailing room.

Shipment of the press and accompanying modern stereotyping equipment, valued at approximately \$236,195, from St. Louis to Wilmington will be started in about three weeks. The work of erecting

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## CITY PLANS WORK IN ANNEXED AREAS

Council Will Receive Bids Sept. 18 On Water And Other Pipe

The City Council will receive bids on Sept. 18 on about \$300,000 worth of water, sewerage and storm drainage material to be installed in the recently annexed areas within the near future, City Manager J. R. Benson said yesterday.

He added that the new equipment would be installed in the Sunset Park, Forest Hills, and other sections, just as soon as the materials are available.

He reported that the council had not definitely decided whether contracts for the installation would be let or whether the city public works department would do the work.

"If we can't get contracts for the installation of these materials as cheaply as we find we can do the work ourselves, then we will have the department of public works construct the projects," Chief of Police L. F. Worrell ordered an investigation, Captain of Detectives W. G. Clark and Detec-

## VETERANS MOVE TO HALT TERROR ACTS

Tenn. GI Faction Pledges Prosecution Of McMinn Terrorists

ATHENS, Tenn., Sept. 7.—(AP)—Knox Henry, McMinn county sheriff and members of a veterans' slate that took over county affairs in an August uprising, declared today he would use the "full power of my office" to halt terrorizing of city officials.

Sheriff Henry said the organization of ex-GI's would not condone acts of violence which led to resignation of the mayor and board of Aldermen of the city. He said veterans were not involved in a reign of terror against the aldermen "as far as we have been able to find out."

City Recorder Herman Lee Moses, World War Two veteran, left with administration of this battle-scarred city's affairs after the resignation of Mayor Paul Walker and the aldermen, said the city would be in a financial jam unless new officials were named soon.

Walker and the aldermen said today they would advance the date on their resignations "if it gets to the point where the city does not have the necessary funds to operate." Walker said the resignations were not official because "we had no one to resign to."

Lester Dooley, president of the McMinn county Good Government League, announced he had asked the mayor and board to remain in office.

Affairs of the city were turned over to the recorder by the mayor and four aldermen after a fusillade of shots was fired into the home of Alderman Hugh Higgs about 1 a. m. Thursday from a speeding car.

Recorder Moses said today the city's 1946 tax levy had not been made, the 1946-47 financial budget had not been prepared and the city school budget had not been approved. Provisions was made for

## PERON EXPEDITES HEMISPHERE PLAN

Next Move May Be To Nationalize German Firms In Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 7.—(U.P.)—An authoritative source close to the Argentine government said tonight that the government intends to implement swiftly its recent ratification of the Chapultepec Act for hemispheric defense and plans a number of steps, including the introduction of a bill in congress for the nationalization of all German firms seized after the declaration of war.

The informant said it was evident that since the arrival of U. S. Ambassador George S. Messersmith

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Guard will be comprised of 27 divisions and 27 air groups which will be distributed throughout the country. The locations of these units have not been established, he said.

"I approve of everything Secretary Byrnes has done to the present," Royall said when queried regarding the Secretary's Stuttgart speech Friday when he warned against making Germany a "paw or partner" in a military power struggle between the East and the West.

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# Vast Shipping Strike Slows Nation's Pulse

## AFL Truckers Strike Numbs New York City

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—(U.P.)—The nation's largest city faced the worst food and industrial crisis of its recent history tonight as a week-old strike of more than 32,000 truck drivers continued with no signs of settlement.

Food supplies for the city's 7,500,000 residents were dwindling rapidly and wholesale layoffs were threatened in industries unable to get raw materials or to deliver finished goods.

The situation was aggravated by a walkout of tugboat men in New York harbor—paralyzing the nation's largest port and threatening a fuel shortage such as caused almost a complete halt to the city's business activity for a day last January. As milk deliveries were cur-

tailed and supplies of butter, eggs, cigarettes and other commodities were fast disappearing from store shelves, Mayor William O'Dwyer renewed his threat to use policemen and other city employes to man trucks and deliver essential supplies.

The mayor's threat came after failure of another attempt to break the deadlock between the striking AFL Teamsters union and the owners of some \$5,000 idle trucks.

"No progress" was reported by O'Dwyer after a meeting of city officials, representatives of the carriers and union officials. He said another meeting

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## RUMOR OF GENERAL STRIKE UNFOUNDED

Maritime Strike Looming As Greatest Shipping Crisis In History

By The Associated Press  
A spokesman for the American Federation of Labor last night termed "ridiculous" an AFL maritime leader's threat to seek a general strike, as the greatest shipping shut-down in American history slowed the industrial pulse of the nation.

The general strike threat came from Paul Hall, New York port agent of the Seafarers International union (AFL).

Hall declared that if the government attempted to move any of the hundreds of strike-bound ships in U. S. ports "we will call on all organized labor to come out with us."

Philip Pearl, director of the information of the AFL headquarters in Washington, said he had been assured the government did not contemplate using troops to man ships and declared:

"This scarehead of a general strike is ridiculous on its face and has no basis in fact."

Pearl pointed out that the general strike idea had been voiced only by a local union official.

William Green, head of the AFL, who previously expressed support for comment immediately, but the CIO's Philip Murray told a reporter in Chicago "I wouldn't have any comment on a thing like that."

In Washington an official in close touch with the situation said there had been discussions of what steps the government could take to supply U. S. troops abroad, in the event of a prolonged strike.

But he said that up until now no specific plan had been drawn up.

UNRRA Director F. H. LaGuardia was in New York to appeal personally to strike leaders to free 125 ships with 250,000 tons of relief cargo for Europe and Asia.

But Joseph P. Ryan, head of the International Longshoremen's association (AFL) said the former

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## Atomic Test Halted; Atom Age Navy Begun

Truman Postpones Deep-Water Atomic Test Scheduled In Spring

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—(U.P.)—President Truman, in a surprise move, today put off indefinitely—and perhaps permanently—the deep-water atomic bomb test scheduled at Bikini next Spring.

His unexpected decision was based on recommendations of the joint Chiefs of Staff, the Secretaries of War and Navy and the President's commission to evaluate the tests.

The announced reason for the postponement was that information obtained from last July's two tests and the three wartime explosions was such that the third or deep-water test was not justified "in the near future."

But there was prompt speculation that the postponement was dictated by more compelling reasons, such as the international tension which has intensified since the first two tests.

A possible hint in this connection was a statement by Dr. J. H. Bush of the Federation of American Scientists, an organization of scientists who played a vital role in developing the terrifying weapon.

"Such an operation at this time," Bush said, "seemed to appear to other nations like a flexing of our military muscles and tended to increase international distrust."

It was recalled in this connection that, prior to the first two missile warships."

It was patent, however, that the announcement marked the end of an era—the age of the rifled gun in the main batteries of American naval ships. That gun came into general use by the Navy soon after the close of the civil war.

Naval design men, talking informally, pointed out that the destructive power of capital ships can be increased enormously by use of far-reaching missiles homed to the target by electronic beams or drawn there by the attraction of the steel or heat in the target itself. And, designers say, the advent of the rocket with atomic blast warhead is just around the laboratory corner.

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## Construction Of Vessels Carrying Guided Missiles Now Underway

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—(AP)—The United States, racing to maintain its naval supremacy, already is building the world's first atomic age capital ships armed with main batteries of robot rockets instead of guns.

The Navy disclosed this tonight in a somewhat terse announcement that the 45,000-ton battleship Kentucky and the 27,000-ton battlecruiser Hawaii would be "guided missile warships."

Both ships were started as conventional design vessels, but construction was arrested when the rockets and atomic bombs of the final phases of World War II marked the arrival of a new day in warfare.

The announcement by Vice Admiral E. L. Cochrane, chief of the Navy's Bureau of Ships, was sparing of detail but left broad implications. Said he:

"The Navy's experiments with guided missiles have always contemplated eventual shipboard installation, although design studies were handicapped until the Navy had made more progress in the development of guided missiles. The design studies now being made for the Kentucky and Hawaii together with the development of missiles guided by carrier-based in the striking power of naval aircraft, will lead to a revolution in ships. It is still too early to make any forecast of the ultimate design characteristics of these ships except that they will be guided missile warships."

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## Murder Trial Of Ewing Almost Did Not Happen

By NOEL YANCEY  
FAYETTEVILLE, Sept. 7.—(AP)—The murder trial of Wall C. Ewing, a political wheelhorse, is an event that almost didn't happen.

The trial was in recess today following the completion of testimony yesterday, but it will be resumed Monday when opposing counsel began their arguments to the jury.

Police reported, meanwhile, that Ewing died last March 13 of socially acquired pneumonia. Mrs. Douglas Sutherland Ewing, for whose slaying Ewing was being tried, came within an inch of being marked down in the

records as "death by heart attack."

Mrs. Ewing was found lying unconscious in the bedroom of her home here on the evening of March 12, and she died at a local hospital at about 1 a. m. on March 13. At about 8 a. m. that day the police received an anonymous telephone call and were told that Mrs. Ewing's body was at a funeral home, that it was literally covered with bruises, and that "it looks bad."

Chief of Police L. F. Worrell ordered an investigation, Captain of Detectives W. G. Clark and Detec-

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