

MOVING ORDERS AWAITED BY VA

Wilmington Office To Occupy Former Red Cross Rooms In Customhouse

The Wilmington Veterans administration office staff was last night awaiting formal instructions to move part of their organization into room 125 in the U. S. Customhouse, Robert S. Matthews, Jr., contact officer, reported.

Matthews said Harold Porter, customhouse superintendent, had informed the VA the room, formerly occupied by the American Red Cross was now available for occupation.

SENATORS RAP TRAINING PLAN

(Continued From Page One) ing from the War department's point of view in contributing the foundation for meeting future manpower needs.

The commission will meet again Jan. 3. It expects to complete its findings in March.

The Thomas-Johnson statements highlighted democratic opposition to Mr. Truman's plans for a broad program of training on the eve of the convening of a republican-dominated Congress.

Thomas, chairman of the Senate Military committee throughout the war, said he will oppose any plan that would force American youths to "serve six or nine months as ground soldiers."

A college professor before he entered politics, Thomas said any "universal plan for training" a great mass of men overlooks the major lessons from the recent "mechanized warfare" with its scientists and specialists.

Johnson, ranking democratic member of the military group, had previously protested that the plan would "delegate the spiritual and moral training of American youth to the brass hats" of the Army and Navy.

As a result Johnson reported, he has received a flood of mail and telegrams from all over the country applauding his hand.

TWO ARE DEAD IN PLANE CRASH

(Continued From Page One) disappear into the woods and knew it had crashed.

It appeared the pilot may have been attempting to make a landing at the Michigan City airport just two miles away. The plane was in direct line with the airport as it came down from the overcast. It did not catch fire.

The plane's stewardess, Miss Helen Friel, 22, of South Lastonberry, Conn., who suffered possible internal injuries, said she saw ice accumulate on the wings when the pilot left down through the overcast.

The passengers paid high tribute to the stewardess and three passengers who gave first aid to the injured.

A nurse, Miss Helen Bass, 24, of 206 W. 133D St., New York City, who suffered fractured ribs and cuts, supervised the removal of other injured persons.

Where, Oh Where Has The Little Dog Gone

According to the Great Teacher there are three kinds of love—that of a husband and wife; children and parents; master and pet.

Yesterday that latter love was brought forcibly to the attention of the staff of the Star-News as a letter came across the editor's desk.

The letter, originally addressed to the classified department, told of the loss of a small black dog by a former WAC.

"I live alone except for the company of a little dog I owned," read the missive and how true those words rang as the thought came to mind of the comfort afforded many by the presence of a dog, cat, bird, or other pet in a house.

"He is gone," the letter continued. "Someone picked him up on Eighth street between Brunswick and Bladen on Christmas day and carried him away. Will you please print a little piece in your paper if my dog was all I had and I have lost all now. Please try to help me as I am sending you my last dollar."

The letter was turned over to the news staff by the classified manager that further assistance might be given in locating the animal.

According to the owner the dog is black, has a short tail and was wearing a black harness. The dog was small the writer said and mentioned the pet answered to the name of Mickie.

"Many thanks to you," the letter ended.

It will be many, many thanks if the finder will return the dog to Isabel Gregg, 814 N. Eighth street.

OBITUARIES

MRS. THERESA LEOB LONG

Mrs. Theresa Leob Long, 1006 Market street died early last night in James Walker Memorial hospital following an illness of two days.

Mrs. Long, the wife of Thomas B. Long who survives, is the daughter of the late Captain Jacob J. and Mrs. Laura Zibelin.

She is survived by five daughters; Mrs. A. B. Ferguson, Tabor, N. C.; Mrs. C. D. Easter, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Henry Sorenson, Elmhurst Long Island, N. Y.; and Mrs. Mary L. Bessilieu, Wilmington.

Three sons also survive; B. E. Wilmington, N. C.; Newport News, Va.; and N. W., Hollywood, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Patty Smith, Wilmington; Mrs. M. B. Ward, Elizabethtown; three brothers; C. H. Willie and Louise Zibelin, Wilmington.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Yopp Funeral home.

ARCHIE C. GOWIN

FAIR BLUFF, Dec. 28.—Archie C. Gowin, 63, Cerro Gordo died at his residence this morning after a long illness.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mary Jones Clemmons; two daughters, Mrs. Hazel Deven and Myrtle Strickland; a son David R. Gowin, United States Navy; four brothers, Oscar, C. T., W. E. and J. A.; three sisters; Mrs. Mamie Nobles, Mrs. Bera Fowler and Mrs. Smithie Williamson.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Cerro Gordo Free Will Baptist church with the Rev. J. Hamer Butler officiating. Burial will be in the Gowin cemetery.

MRS. LOU "ENNEL BOYKIN KERR, December 28—Funeral services were held for Mrs. Lou Fennell Boykin, wife of Thomas J. Boykin, Sr., at Harmony Presbyterian church at 2 p. m. Sunday, December 22. Rites were conducted by her pastor, Rev. L. L. Johnson, assisted by Rev. E. W. Pate, Wilmington and Rev. Mr. Mosser of Harmony church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Boykin was born January 26, 1874, and was the daughter of the late Charles Thomas Fennell and Mary Boykin Fennell. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Thomas J. Boykin, Jr., and Hilburn Boykin; two grandchildren, Charles Gilbert and Robert H. Gilbert; one sister, Mrs. J. W. Wilson, Hopewell, Virginia.

Pallbearers were Robert Fennell, Raymond Melvin, James Brice, George Strawn and Alfred Ward.

CLAUDE BELDON MAYNARD NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—Funeral services for Claude Beldon Maynard, veteran shipyard worker, were held Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 25.

Maynard was an employee of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company. During the war he was employed as foreman of fitters in the North Carolina Shipbuilding company, Wilmington, having left that city two months.

Maynard, who was 65, resided at 425 Carolina avenue, Sunset Park, and attended the Temple Baptist church during his residence in the North Carolina city.

During the first World war, he played a major part in the steel construction work on warships at the shipyard here and during the

recent conflict was equally prominent in work on Liberty and cargo-type vessels at the North Carolina yard. It was reported that he was to have retired Jan. 1, 1947.

He was a native of Pikesville, Ky. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ethel V. Maynard, one daughter, Mrs. Handy.

Maynard was a member of St. John's lodge No. 1, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rites of Masonry, Wilmington, N. C., and was worthy patron for the Order of Eastern Star this year.

Active pallbearers were E. J. Robeson Jr., J. W. Kirkpatrick, T. McClay, E. O. Beasley, James M. S. Smithers, E. S. Baysden, J. A. Cleary, and J. Cargill Johnson. Other friends of the family served as honorary pallbearers.

MRS. BESSIE B. HESTER LUMBERTON, Dec. 28.—Funeral services will be held Monday at 3 p. m. for Mrs. Bessie Brison Hester, 63, who died today. Burial will be in Pate cemetery.

Mrs. Hester, wife of Pink Hester, Bladenboro died in a local hospital where she had been a patient one day.

Surviving besides her husband are five sons; Seth and Taywood, Miami, Fla., Edwin, Bladenboro; Craven of Dublin and W. C. Hester of Philadelphia, Penn. Five daughters; Mrs. Bertie Smith and Mrs. Grover Paul, Bladenboro; Mrs. Lester Brison, Dublin; Mrs. W. R. Davis, Wilmington, and Mrs. Joseph Mahoney, Brooklyn, N. Y., also survived.

MRS. VIRGINIA W. ROMERIL Requiem mass will be sung Monday morning at 11 o'clock in St. Mary's church by Monsignor C. E. Murphy for Mrs. Virginia Walsak Romeril, who died Saturday afternoon in the home of her son, George Walsak, 1725 Orange street after a long illness. Interment will follow in Oakdale Cemetery.

Mrs. Romeril was born in Belmont France February 10, 1861. She is survived by her son, George Joseph Walsak, grandson, Robert M. Walsak, great granddaughter, Dorothy Roehet Walsak, nephew, Paul J. Baschon, all of Wilmington, several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be: Honorary—James J. Allen, E. V. Hunt, Sr., F. J. Gordon, Rev. E. W. Halleck, Dr. Robert M. Fales, L. B. Flanagan, William E. Bremer, T. G. Pope, Chris Buttlerman. Active—R. K. Weeks, J. M. Weeks, J. W. Strickland, Harold Cleve, Sam S. Earle, and W. F. Powell.

Recitation of the Rosary will be held Sunday night in Andrews Mortuary at 8 o'clock by Monsignor C. S. Murphy.

JIMMIE ROBERTS TABOR CITY, Dec. 28—Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Jimmie Roberts, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Roberts of Green Sea.

Young Roberts died today following a fall from a horse he was riding near his home.

The funeral will be held from the residence with the Rev. W. E. Maring officiating.

He is survived by his parents, one sister, Joyce, and six brothers: Pat, Bobbie, Larry, Willie, Douglas and Edwin.

DENNIS M. BOYD TABOR CITY, Dec. 28—Funeral services for Dennis M. Boyd, three-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boyd, will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence with the Rev. Clyde Prince officiating. Burial will be in the Forest Lawn cemetery. He is survived by his parents.

Batter Investigation Opened In New York WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(AP)—The justice department opened an inquiry today into the New York butter price break to see whether any violation of anti-trust law is involved.

The justice department's action was ordered by Attorney General Clark at the request of the consumers council of New York.

VISITS WASHINGTON Judge Richard M. Robbins, of West Palm Beach, Fla., nephew of Mrs. J. E. Fretlow, of Wilmington, attended a Juvenile Delinquency conference in Washington recently where he conferred with Attorney General Tom Clark.

12 ARE KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

(Continued From Page One) blinding explosion which shattered the machine.

Only a 40-foot portion of the rear of the fuselage was recognizable. Engine parts were strewn for several hundred yards. The big wings containing gasoline tanks disintegrated.

The plane plowed for 500 to 600 yards long the grassy surface of the island. The grass was singed on each side, the gash cut by the plane in the soft earth.

At the spot where it stopped sliding the ship burned fiercely for many hours, trapping hopelessly the persons caught inside. For those who lost their lives, an investigator said, death was mercifully swift.

Some survived because of the explosion, which threw them clear of both the wreckage and flames.

Among those blasted to safety was four-month-old Bruce Waterbury and his 19-year-old French mother, Mrs. Edith Delaby Waterbury, who were on their way to Newark, N. J., to join their former American soldier father and husband, Charles. The mother was among those critically injured.

The youngster was found, crying and hurt, by an Irish servant lad, Michael Donelan.

"I fell over bodies of dead people as I ran in the direction of a spot where I heard the cries of a baby," said Michael.

"The child was lying in the rush of the river. As I approached the hostess took the baby in her arms and examined its injuries quickly.

"A number of other people then arrived, including Dr. O'Boyle of the airport. He hurt his leg when he tripped in a hole while crossing the mud flat. But he carried on, taking care of the injured.

"By the light of the burning plane I could see the white faces of the people in the flaming wreckage. Some bodies were twisting on the ground."

The hostess was Miss Vina Ferguson, 25, a native of Dell Rapids, South Dakota, and former De Pauw University student, now living in Jackson Heights, N. Y. She was being acclimated as a heroine for the resourcefulness and efficiency with which she set about helping the injured.

She dragged unconscious persons away from the fire, bandaged wounds and directed the rescuers when they came. She worked on despite a wrenched knee.

But she was working on nerve. She collapsed when she was being taken to an ambulance.

Miss Ferguson and the passengers had no inkling that anything was wrong as the plane prepared to land in a fog and drizzle.

"I had just told the passengers to fasten their safety belts for the landing," she said. "Then we crashed, without a moment's warning."

FIRE DESTROYS GRAIN ELEVATOR (Continued From Page One) days, the Union Grain elevator in southeast Minneapolis having burned Dec. 19 with an estimated \$3,000,000 loss.

Seconds after the blast rapped the huge wood and sheet metal structure on Third street south between Eighth and Ninth avenues, flames shot 35 feet above the roof. By 4 p. m., an hour after the explosion, the roof had caved in, the interior was a seething mass of fire and the building appeared to be doomed.

Thirteen employees were working in the elevator but reports given police said all apparently escaped unhurt.

One worker, not identified, told the police he believed a fire caused by friction touched off a dust explosion. He said that a conveyor belt running into the cupola had stuck but that the pulley mechanism continued to function, possibly creating enough heat to start a small blaze.

Workmen said the elevator housed rye, corn and barley. Part of it was owned by the Mankato (Minn.) brewing company, an affiliate of the elevator corporation.

A worker in a neighboring building said the first explosion hurled part of the roof into the air. That end of the building was engulfed in flame almost immediately.

James Storm, who lives a block from the elevator, said he saw a man lean momentarily from a fifth floor window of the blazing building, then dart back inside. He apparently made his way to safety, in view of the employees' statement that all occupants had escaped the flames.

The elevator was situated nine blocks northeast of the Minneapolis downtown area and in the heart of the milling district. One side fronted on Washington avenue, a main traffic artery between Minneapolis and its twin city of St. Paul. Motor and streetcar traffic on this route was blocked.

Cook Proposes Law To 'Outlaw Hatred' MACON, Ga., Dec. 28.—(AP)—Georgia Attorney General Eugene Cook told the Macon News today that he will ask the 1947 legislature to pass a law declaring a state of emergency and immediately outlawing "crackpottery and hatred" in Georgia.

"I propose to recommend a bill designed to curb the activities of hate groups in this state," Cook said.

NEW JERSEY GAS PLANT IS SEIZED

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 28.—(AP)—The State seized the strikebound Harrison gas production plant of Public Service Electric and Gas company, largest gas production plant in New Jersey, tonight after a trainload of coke and coal failed to reach the plant.

Governor Walter E. Edge signed the proclamation of seizure at his home in Princeton late in the afternoon, and a labor commissioner Harry Harper and an escort of state police left immediately to take possession of the plant.

Edge said daily delivery of coke and coal to the plant was essential to its operation, and "we will see that it's delivered."

Seven carloads of coke and coal destined for the plant were stranded 25 yards outside the gates when a train crew uncoupled the engine and refused delivery at the request of pickets, Police Chief Michael Bergen of Harrison said.

GANEY CASE TO SPOTLIGHT

(Continued From Page One) called to investigate the shooting of Henderson.

Deputy Porter Davis said he found Henderson sitting in a car in front of the service station slumped over the steering wheel. One shot, according to Davis, had entered the body just below the arm pit on the right side. A second shot, he said, struck the steering wheel.

Jasper Westbrook, also of Jacksonville, was seated in the car at the time of the shooting. He was sitting on the right hand of Henderson when Ganevy approached. He added that the defendant claimed Henderson had made some remarks about his (Ganevy's) daughter and then "fired point blank at Henderson."

When Davis made the arrest he said that Ganevy admitted to him that he fired the shots at Henderson. He was placed in jail without bond where he has remained since.

A coroner's jury, Oct. 31, returned the following verdict: "Frank Julius Henderson came to his death as a result of a pistol shot wound inflicted by the hands of Gus Ganevy."

RUSSIANS ASK ARMS ACTION

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two months but not later than three months" from now.

While the publication of the Soviet proposal, it had been generally assumed by most delegates that no specific action could be taken on the general arms reduction plan until basic agreements had been reached on atomic control.

During the assembly debate, the United States insisted that atomic control be given top priority in the general program.

Meanwhile, Great Britain was reported ready to support a Canadian French proposal which would provide for automatic world action against any nation guilty of major violations of atomic control agreements.

The new plan was put forward by Canada yesterday after it appeared that the United Nations Atomic Energy commission might become hopelessly deadlocked over a U. S. proposal that the five big powers surrender their power to veto punishment for violators.

The Canadian proposal immediately won the support of French Delegate Alexandre Parodi, who earlier had suggested informally that such a measure might get around the controversial veto question without weakening the atomic enforcement structure.

Although it could not be ascertained immediately whether the compromise plan would be acceptable to U. S. representative Bernard M. Baruch, the British delegation was understood to be American and Russian approval, hopeful that it might meet both.

The only opposition to the Canadian proposal at yesterday's meeting came from Australian Delegate Pau Hasuck, who contended that it would have the effect of setting up a system of collective action independent of the Security council.

The British were said to feel that Baruch's failure to oppose the compromise was a hopeful sign, but after the meeting a spokesman for Baruch insisted that the United States would make a last-ditch stand for a complete elimination of the veto from atomic matters.

Another reason for British hope, informed quarters said, was the fact that Poland agreed to support the Canadian proposal. Poland usually vote with Russia on most major issues.

Prof. S. P. Alexandrov, who substituted for Soviet Delegate Andrei R. Gromyko at the meeting, remained silent on both the Baruch recommendation and the Canadian plan. The Soviet attitude, as a result, was left in doubt on the whole question.

Arab Shrine Plans New Year's Party

Final plans have been completed for a New Year's day party to be held by the Arab Shrine club, it was learned last night.

The party will be held in the Plantation club with the festivities scheduled to start at 7 o'clock.

During the evening new officers elected during a recent meeting will be installed. They include: Frank J. Collier, president; Horace T. King, Jr., vice-president; T. I. Watkins, secretary-treasurer; D. C. North, James Donnelly, L. A. Roney, J. E. L. Wade, Dr. George R. C. Thompson, Jr., and Henry Ottaway, Sr. board of governors.

Eight Cases Approved By CPA In Greensboro

A total of eight cases with a value of \$51,900 were approved by the Civilian Production Administration in Greensboro during the week ending Dec. 26, it was learned last night.

Included were Waccamaw Bank and Trust company, Clarkton, \$3,000; Titus C. Williamson, Laurinburg, \$2,000; and Bladen County Board of Education, Elizabethtown, \$12,000.

VA TO DISCUSS VETS HOSPITAL

(Continued From Page One) the Legion's stand in regard to making an outright gift of some 500 acres of land to the government.

Earlier, the VFW had declared at a meeting it would be willing to take part in the purchase of a desirable site, and give it to the VA at no expense, if such a gift would aid in the location of the hospital.

Farrell is chairman of a joint service committee, and may represent the Legion in the Washington conference.

Masonic Group To Hear Former Governor Speak

BURGAU, Dec. 28.—Former Governor J. Melville Broughton will deliver the principal address on the occasion of the 95th anniversary celebration of King Solomon's lodge No. 138 when the annual Masonic banquet is held Monday night, Dec. 30, in the school cafeteria at 7 o'clock.

Dress will be optional for both ladies and men. W. C. Dunnigan, in charge of arrangements, has announced.

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