

WEATHER

Wilmington, Southeastern North Carolina: Considerable cloudiness and colder today and tonight. Sunday partly cloudy and continued cold. Lowest temperatures 23-34.

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Greeks Pay \$1,090,000 For Vessels

Balkan Nation's Envoy Reveals Money Was Borrowed From U. S.

TWO PURCHASED Official Says U. S., British Aid Essential To His Country

Two U. S. Liberty ships recently sold here to the Greek government by the Maritime Commission were purchased with funds loaned to Greece by the United States...

Greece paid \$545,000 for each vessel, and will make the purchase on an installment system, Pateras added. At the same time, the foreign official declared American and British aid is an essential thing if Greece is to rebuild her merchant marine.

"Before the war Greece boasted a merchant navy of nearly 500 ships," he said, "about 80 per cent of these vessels were shipped, and the jobs of rebuilding shipping of my country will be a long, hard one."

Pateras, who is affiliated with the Lemnos-Pateras, Ltd., commercial firm, with its headquarters in London, also reported the swing of world trade on the high seas toward America, and predicted his company would soon open New York offices.

Declaring it was with some difficulty he persuaded the Maritime Commission to sell the vessels to Greece, Pateras said he arrived in the United States in June, and had to date, purchased three of the Liberty type craft. One ship was taken over in Norfolk, he said. The vessels, which are scheduled to leave Wilmington next week, will not take on cargo at this port, but will move to Charleston, and Norfolk to be fully loaded with coal and grain, Pateras said.

He reported the Liberty ships, now being sold by the Maritime Commission were very good vessels, despite being produced speedily during wartime construction.

"They have to be kept in a constant state of repairs, however," Pateras said.

The purchase of the ships involved an agreement between the two (Continued on Page Three; Col. 2)

OFFICERS PROBE HIT-RUN CASES

One Driver Held After Damaging Car Operated By R. S. Matthews

Wilmington police and highway patrolmen had last night arrested one man on a charge of hit and run driving and were seeking another involved in a similar accident.

Frank Weatherspoon Castle Hayne Negro was arrested on a charge of hit and run operation of an automobile by Patrolman R. C. Duncan of the State Highway Patrol, following an accident in which he admitted he was involved, according to reports.

According to Duncan the car operated by Weatherspoon was damaged one driven by Robert S. Matthews, 423 S. Front street, at Eight and Princess streets and failed to stop.

The report shows that J. W. Stewart saw the accident and gave chase to the fleeing car, but failed to overtake it. He obtained the license number, however.

Considerable damage resulted to Matthews' car and the vehicle driven by Weatherspoon was also damaged. Police continued an investigation into another report of a hit and run accident at 13th and Orange streets. J. C. Womble, 205 Piney Woods, estimated damage to his car at \$100 following the accident.

It's Open Season For New York Debs

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—(AP)—New York Society had its first big coming out party since before the war tonight, and apparently revived a tradition that died out in sterner days of war—it had picked its No. 1 glamor girl of the year.

Experts at picking glamor girls—who in prewar days placed the crown on a succession of Brenda Fraziers and Gloria Vanderbilts—made them front page news—whispered that even at this stage of the season it was safe to say that tonight's deb would be the deb of the year.

Baruch, Staff U. S. Atomic

Warren Austin To Represent United States; Resigning Statesman Upholds Our Rights To Make Atomic Bombs

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Elder Statesman Bernard M. Baruch, completing his last great public job, resigned tonight as United States member of the United Nations Atomic Commission. In a letter to President Truman he said there is no reason why the United States should not continue to make atomic bombs.

Resigns Job



Bernard M. Baruch and his staff representing the United States on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission have resigned their positions.

In a letter to President Truman, Baruch upheld the U. S. right to manufacture atomic bombs.

Baruch expressed his view on continued manufacture of the bomb, which is contrary to Russia's urgings to outlaw the weapon promptly, in his letter of resignation to the president.

Mr. Truman, accepting the resignation, wrote that at first he was reluctant to let Baruch go but he finally agreed that from here on, American atomic representation at the United Nations should be centered in Warren R. Austin, member of the Security Council. That was what Baruch proposed.

In resigning, Baruch acted promptly after the United Nations Atomic Commission had adopted, under his constant pressure, the main essentials of the American plan as to its own. The commission finished its work a few days ago and the whole vast issue of atomic control and disarmament moved actively into the Security Council.

Austin, former Republican Senator from Vermont, has been designated by Mr. Truman to be American member of the council and is slated to be nominated to the Senate next week. Prompt confirmation is expected.

There was no suggestion of any difference of opinion on any point of atomic policy among Baruch, the Atomic, Secretary of State Byrnes or other high government officials here. All had backed Baruch's negotiations to the hilt.

However, Baruch was closely identified with an uncompromising insistence on an abolition of the Security Council veto in punishment of atomic treaty violators. Russia opposed the veto curtailment. Transfer of the negotiations to Austin may allow greater flexibility of American policy on this point, some diplomatic authorities said.

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Butter Mart Drop Charged To Dairymen

League President, Three Executive Members Face Accusations

CRIMINAL ACT Milk Men Faced With Violation Of U. S. Commodity Exchange Law

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The government charged today in a criminal information that the dairymen's League Cooperative Association, Inc., its president, Henry H. Rathbun, and three members of the executive committee manipulated the price of butter on the New York mercantile exchange for five days last month.

The information specifically charged violation of a section of the United States code, known as the Commodity Exchange act, which provides that any person who manipulates or attempts to manipulate the price of any commodity in interstate commerce is guilty of a misdemeanor.

The charges stemmed from the drop of ten cents a pound in the wholesale butter price on Dec. 26 after organized support by dairy interests was withdrawn.

In Albany, Rathbun said the league's action in what he called "maintaining the price of milk by stabilizing the butter market" protected milk consumers by "insuring their supply and producers by heading off a decline of their income."

Rathbun added: "The filing of a criminal information against the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association, Inc., for its recent action does not alter my firm conviction that the league's course was entirely legal and for the best interests of milk consumers as well as producers."

"In short, the league acted in good faith for what I believe to be important and proper reason and entirely within its legal rights."

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"We owe it to the country to do something about this situation immediately," he said.

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He cited tax reductions made by republican congresses in the 1920's, arguing that lower rates had encouraged business and thereby actually increased revenue collections.

Tax receipts from individual incomes, although rates were reduced four times, increased from \$719,000,000 in 1921 to \$1,164,000,000 in 1928, he said. Collections from (Continued on Page Three; Col. 2)

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Wholesalers and brokers on the Chicago Mercantile exchange predicted today that the price of butter would drop 20 cents a pound in the next five months.

Commodity experts said such a decline would result in at least a moderate drop in the price of cheese and milk.

An avalanche of butter pouring into the market will wipe out the current inventory scarcity and provide the tremendous seasonal surplus that is normal in peacetime, the brokers and wholesalers said.

Russell Fifer, executive secretary of the American Butter Institute, whose members make 80 per cent of the nation's butter, said that if present production trends continue butter probably will retail from 62-65 cents a pound in June.

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Reductions Are Sought Immediately

Campaign Underway To Put Into Effect Slashes Set For July 1

PRICE DROP SEEN O'Toole Says Six-Month Lag In Rollback Is 'Wrecking Business'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—A drive to put into effect immediately most of the excise tax cuts scheduled for July 1 was launched today at the Capitol.

Congressmen expressed the view that otherwise the fur, jewelry and luggage businesses will be hard hit as people hold off buying until July 1 in anticipation of lower prices.

Rep. O'Toole (D-N.Y.) drafted a bill for introduction Monday to reduce these excises forthwith to the levels where they will fall automatically July 1. He commented that the six-month lag in the tax rollback is "wrecking some businesses."

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Revised Case Bill Will Be Considered

GOP Spurns Proposals To Investigate Before Drafting Anti-Strike Measure; Speedy Passage Will Be Sought

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Spurning proposals to investigate first, Senate Republicans decided today to push a revised Case labor bill to speedy passage.

Their far-reaching decision, made in formal conference, rejected in advance one thing President Truman may urge in his annual message—a careful labor study before any action.

The Republicans adopted this general strategy:

1. They will go ahead fast with a slightly-revised version of the Case bill which Congress adopted last year but which Mr. Truman vetoed.

2. They will then give more careful consideration to other proposals such as changing the Wagner (Continued on Page Five; Col. 1)

DOCTOR REPORTS ON SEN. BILBO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Following is the text of a letter on the illness of Senator Bilbo (D-Miss), written by Dr. George W. Calver, the Capitol physician, and read to the Senate late today:

"After the completion of his primary campaign, Senator Bilbo reported to my office with a badly ulcerated mouth. He was sent to the medical center for study and his condition was diagnosed as cancer. He was referred to Dr. Alton Oschner of New Orleans for oschler and indicated treatment. Dr. Oschner removed a mass of tissue from the (Continued on Page Three; Col. 2)

Russia Requests U. S. To Turn Over Refugee

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Russia asked the United States today to hand over "as a criminal" one of its citizens who walked out of his trade mission job in Mexico and decided to stay in America and blast what he called "the hell of dictatorship" in his homeland.

The Soviet Union asked the U. S. State department to launch a regular manhunt for Kirill Alekseev, accusing him of embezzlement, treachery, treason, provocation, slander and failing to go home when he was supposed to.

The State department took the request under consideration. It said a decision would be made later. Such officials as were at work Saturday afternoon doubted that the United States has an extradition agreement with Russia, but were searching the records.

Alekseev, who brought his situation into the open with a public statement last Tuesday, was quiet for the moment. He had accused the Russian government of being a dictatorship hadn't put his people and said he wouldn't give his family in its power again.

In its first recognition of Alekseev's existence the Soviet embassy here sent a note around to the State department today accusing its citizen and former employee of having "embezzled a considerable amount of money, property of the state, when he was employed on a Russian trade mission in Mexico."

Rajk said the plot was engineered by a "committee of seven," six of whom were under arrest. The committee had at its disposal "several" disassembled airplanes and had established an "underground chief command" for the armed uprising, he added.

Yesterday a prominent cabinet minister who declined to be quoted by name said 43 persons had been arrested on charges of plotting to establish "a democratic military dictatorship, dispensing with the national assembly." He said the information would be filed with the state's attorney and that trials of the accused would be held within a week.

HUNGARIAN PLOT FAILS, 55 JAILED

BUDAPEST, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Communist minister of the Interior Laszlo Rajk said today 55 persons had been seized in connection with a plot to overthrow the government and re-establish the regime of Adm. Nicholas Horthy by an armed revolt to be touched off when Russian troops leave the country.

Anti-communists immediately charged that the plot was a communist "frameup" designed to dispense with the opposition and encourage the present political order for the time when the Russian occupation troops depart.

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Man Admits Cremating Child, 9, In Furnace

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Southerner Is Stricken With Cancer

Lawmakers Elect Vandenberg As Presiding Officer Of Senate

BODY ADJOURNS

Truman Prepares To Deliver State Of Union Message Monday

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Republicans won their fight late today to deny Senator Bilbo (D-Miss) his seat at the opening of the new Senate and took formal control for the first time in 14 years.

By consent of the ailing Bilbo the question of seating him was pigeonholed for at least two months pending a hearing and he headed back south for a new cancer operation.

Swiftly then, after the two-day delay caused by the battle, the Senate elected Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich), as presiding officer and the rest of the GOP organization set up—Carl Loeffler secretary and Edward McGinnis of Chicago sergeant at arms.

It notified president Truman that it is ready for business and that he is ready for business. When it adjourns next Monday then, in joint session with the House, it will hear the President's message on the State of the Union.

With Bilbo sitting in the cloakroom, Democratic Leader Barkley (Ky) outlined the agreement to the crowded chamber and packed galleries. It enabled Bilbo to draw his pay, but not to take the oath for his new third term.

By unanimous consent, the agreement was immediately approved by the Senators.

Then the swearing in of the new and reelected Senators, interrupted yesterday by the Bilbo fight, was resumed. Only Senator Baldwin (R-Conn) had been sworn when Bilbo came up in the alphabetical order and the ouster move started, leading to an organized defense by southerners which the Republicans branded a filibuster.

With the battle dissolved, Senators Brewster (R-Me) and Bricker (R-Ohio) were sworn in by Leslie L. Biffle, the Democratic Senate secretary who was presiding, and others followed.

With a tensely dramatic statement that "a man's life is more important than a seat in the United States Senate or any other body," Democratic Leader Barkley (Ky) won permission to delay action on Bilbo for six weeks or two months (Continued on Page Five; Col. 1)

Northern Cold Wave Invades The South

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The northern cold wave invaded the South tonight, and freezing temperatures were expected to spread over large areas of 46 states.

Only Florida and California were sure to escape the brunt of the cold, but the freeze was expected to nip parts of northern Florida and some California valleys.

The U. S. Weather Bureau at Chicago said the mass of cold air which sent temperatures in many areas below zero had moved into the Atlantic coast area and the southeast.

Anti-U. S. Outbreaks Are Ordered Halted

NANKING, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The Chinese government ordered a halt today to any demonstrations affecting Chinese-American relations and moved to quell anyone insulting an American in China.

Acting after anti-American student demonstrations this week in Nanking, Peiping, Tientsin and Shanghai, the Executive Yuan (cabinet) told the ministry of Education and provincial and municipal governments to present any more such activities.

Gigantic Waves Raise Havoc In Hawaii Isles

HONOLULU, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Gigantic waves racing before a distant mid-ocean storm caused hunting damage to the Hawaiian Islands today, and their peak was still to come.

No casualties had yet been reported through hampered communications. But lowland residents fled in flight, recalling the disastrous, seismic sea wave which killed 173 persons and injured 291 in the islands' last April 1.

A witness told police she had seen the child with a tall, slim man on the night of her disappearance and had heard the man ask:

"What would your baby brother like for Christmas—a rattle, perhaps?"

Marion agreed eagerly, the witness said, and the pair headed toward the canning plant quarters, about a block away.

Chambers, tall, thin and nervous, fitted the description.

Pieces by piece authorities washed down the canneries boilers, and found particles of charred materials which were sent to pathologists for further examination.

The Weather

(By U. S. Weather Bureau)

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

Temperatures

1:30 a.m. 62; 7:30 a.m. 59; 1:30 p.m. 60; 7:30 p.m. 52.

Humidity

1:30 a.m. 101; 7:30 a.m. 96; 1:30 p.m. 94; 7:30 p.m. 81.

Precipitation

Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m. 0.76 inches.

Total since the first of the month 0.76 inches.

Tides For Today

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

High

Wilmington 8:11 a.m. 3:38 a.m.

Masonboro Inlet 8:23 p.m. 3:23 p.m.

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