

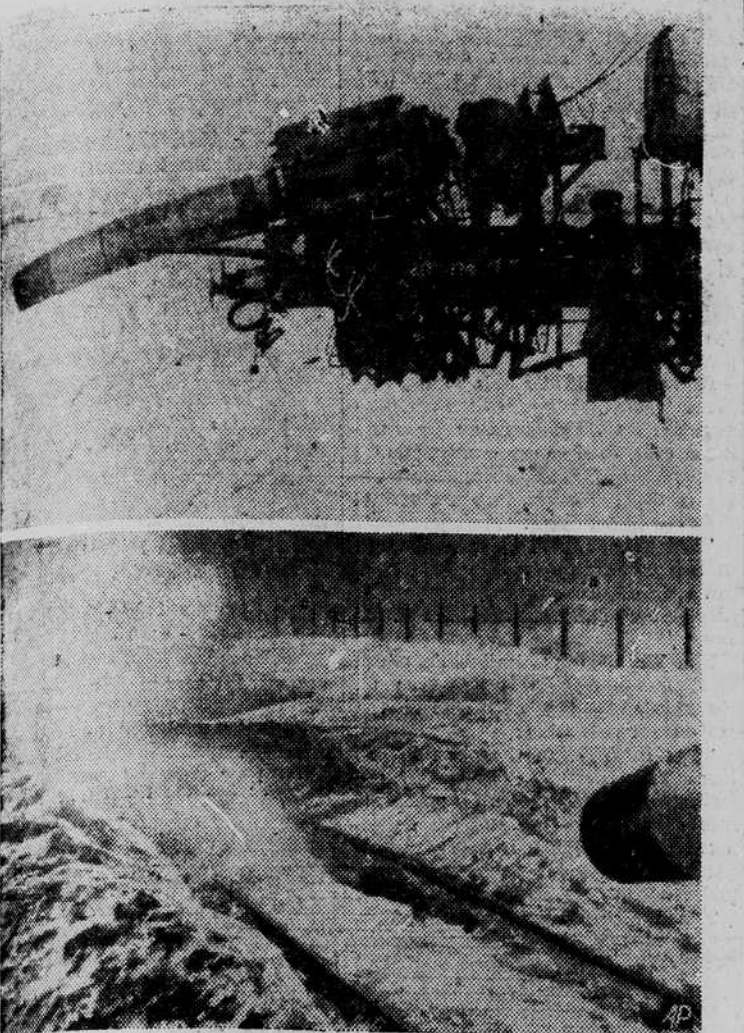
FORECAST:

Wilmington and vicinity: Fair and little change in temperature today.

WILMINGTON, N. C., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1947

ESTABLISHED 1867

Jets' Aid Snow Battle



The hard fight being waged in England to open snow-clogged roads and highways has brought a war-time invention into play. Aircraft gas turbo-jet engines are found to be efficient "snow plows" in tests conducted at Crantham, England. A pair of the engines are mounted tandem on a runway flatcar (top) with the jet pointing down at the snow. As the car moves along the track, the heat from the jet exhausts melts and blows away the snow (bottom). The apparatus clears snow from four and a half feet to 18 feet deep. (AP Wirephotos.)

White House Parley Set For Today On Shipyards

COURT TO HOLD CRIMINAL TERM

Judge C. E. Thompson To Preside Over Regular Session Here

Judge C. E. Thompson, of Elizabeth City, is scheduled to preside over a two week criminal term of New Hanover county Superior Court beginning the week of March 10, it was announced yesterday by the clerk of court.

Jurors for the session already have been drawn by the board of equality commissioners. However, notice of service has not yet been completed by the sheriff's deputies.

The term probably will be highlighted by at least four murder cases, and two cases involving former Wilmington policemen charged with breaking and entering, larceny and receiving stolen goods.

The ex-police cases are those involving Roy Grissett, and H. L. Gurley, Grissett is charged with breaking and entering the Anchor Hardware Co., and taking two outdoor motors, and breaking and entering the Applewhite Barber Supply Co. taking a number of items of merchandise.

The charges against Grissett will come before the grand jury for action at this term of criminal court. The case against Gurley, charged with entering the Groceria, was continued from the February 21 term of Superior Court.

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HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

By Alley

S'OP' KEEP'UH SAY HE GWINE QUIT POLITICS— CLAIM HE GITTIN' SO DEEF HE AIN' FITTIN' FUH NOTHIN' CEP'N JURY DUTY!!

Belgians Riot In Demand Of Bonus

Bloody Battle Rages In Brussels Until Government Forces Restore Order; Casualty Reports Unconfirmed

BRUSSELS, Feb. 26.—(AP)—A demonstration by former Belgian prisoners of war, demanding payment of bonuses turned into a riotous battle, as rioters broke through police lines and crushed each other and only were kept from a steel fence of the building.

CONTENTS OF FBI REPORT RELEASED

Analysis Of Chemical Reportedly Used In Pie Shows Fluoride

The Federal Bureau of Investigation report received here Tuesday night relative to the autopsy performed following the death of three Wilmington residents February 16 identified the chemical thought to have caused the deaths as silicose sodium fluoride, according to local law officials last night.

The FBI laboratory analysis report stated that the fluoride was an effective killing agent and said that death from the chemical usually occurred in from one to twelve hours, according to Coroner Gordon Doran and Harry Fales, superintendent of the City-County Identification Bureau.

Meanwhile, Doran said that no decision on whether or not an inquest into the deaths of Mrs. Myrtle Page, Mrs. Lucy Blizard and Ira G. Upchurch, all of whom died after reportedly eating part of a potato pie at a Second street boarding house, had been reached.

He said that District Solicitor Clifton Moore is due to arrive in Wilmington today for consultation on the matter.

Fales said last night that the investigation into the case was being pushed, but declined to comment on whether or not there were any new developments.

The chemical contained in the pie was identified as fluoride by local health officials but the FBI analysis was requested after the autopsy had been performed.

ROYALL OPPOSES WEAKER DEFENSES

Tells Elizabethtown Vets World Can't Afford Another War

ELIZABETHTOWN, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Undersecretary of War Kenneth C. Royall warned here tonight that "until an effective organization to prevent aggression is tried and proven, American veterans must be certain that our representatives in Congress do not pare down our army and navy below the danger point," but warned the world cannot afford another war.

Addressing Bladen county Post No. 135, American Legion, Royall declared: "Ours was an all-American effort in the war, and it must be an all-American effort for peace."

"We must preserve as far as we can the spirit of cooperation and interdependence of action which made possible our military victory of World War II—the greatest victory of all time."

He explained that no group desires peace more than the American veterans, whom he labeled the "greatest lovers of peace."

Royall added, however, that the veteran is also a realist.

"He knows that victory was not attained by faith without works. He likewise knows that war cannot be prevented by wishful thinking. He recognizes that some nations of the world are impressed by nothing short of force or the fear of force."

Recalling how North Carolina had made a mistake after World War I by moving too slowly in recognizing the veterans and providing business and civic opportunities, Royall urged that veterans not let "this error of the twenties be repeated."

Explaining that there are "some professional veterans who want to ride the government or spend the rest of their days in living on genuine or manufactured military records," Royall stated that "these men are usually easy to spot and are the exception rather than the rule."

Appetite For Sandwiches Leads To Nag's Downfall

VESHAM, England, Feb. 26.—(AP)—A municipally-owned horse with an appetite for picnic lunches and a strong dislike for picknickers finally ran afoul of the law for kicking a fisherman while reaching for a sandwich.

Richard Delaney, the fisherman, collected \$149.50 damages from the mayor and town of Evesham, after testifying today that his scalp was split open when he tried to rescue his lunch basket from the nag.

Several witnesses testified to the horse's bad record where sandwiches were concerned. J. Stephens of Evesham said he had seen the horse raid picnic parties several times and eat their sandwiches.

Truman Backs Jewish Appeal



President Truman receives a delegation of leaders of the United Jewish Appeal which is conducting a 170 million dollar campaign for the relief of the 1,500,000 distressed Jews in Europe. Left to right, are: Herbert H. Lehman, former Director General of UNRRA; Mrs. David Levy, chairman, Nat'l Women's Div., of the UJA; and President Truman. The President urged nationwide support of the Appeal, declaring their efforts are "strongly bound up with the great hopes of all Americans for a new world of peace and security for all mankind." (International).

Committee Kills Measure To Lower Age For Voting

The Weather House In Raleigh Receives 35 Bills Yesterday For New Record

RALEIGH, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Legislative committees killed today bills to lower the voting age from 21 to 18, and to create a board of examiners for funeral directors. A subcommittee was directed to study a proposed 40-hour maximum work week, with a 40-cent an hour minimum pay scale.

While committees worked at high speed, the house received 35 bills, a record-breaking number for this session. One of them would change the state primary date from the last Saturday in May to the third Saturday in June. Introduced by Rep. Blue of Moore, it would give school teachers and of-age college students an opportunity to vote since under a state law no one can vote absentee in a primary.

Nobody took the floor to oppose either of the major measures that died in committee.

Elizabeth Peele of Wilson and Dalia Lewis of Greensboro, both students at Woman's College, were among those who asked that the voting age be lowered. They were supported by Harry Ganson and Bob Curry, both of Greensboro, the latter representing the committee for North Carolina; and Rep. Shreve of Guilford.

They said that society needs the fresh viewpoint, idealism and unselfishness of young people; that a person who is not too old to enter the armed forces is not too young to vote.

Their first meeting since the outbreak of World War II will be held by members of the Eighth District Bar Association at 6:30 p. m. tomorrow.

The meeting will take the form of a supper session at Miss Janie's place on Masonboro Sound, Aaron Goldberg, Wilmington president of the association, announced last night.

This meeting, which will reinstitute the annual sessions held prior to the war, will be addressed by Superior Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington, resident judge of the eighth district.

A major item on the business agenda will be the election of officers to serve during the ensuing year, Goldberg said.

Dwight McEwen of Southport is secretary and treasurer of the association, the membership of which is made up of attorneys in New Hanover, Pender, Brunswick and Columbus counties.

These counties comprise the area embraced by the eighth district.

Another Query—One alarmed patron of the local public schools called last night to inquire about a story appearing in the Star yesterday morning.

She was upset about the comparison of the pay scale between teachers and janitors.

Superintendent of Schools H. M. Roland was quoted as citing the low pay of teachers as a major factor in the current teacher shortage throughout the United States.

Mr. Roland went on to tell how one of the janitors in the city schools last year was getting \$150 a month. The man left his janitorial duties for private employment and now is making \$300 a month.

"If a janitor can do that, what can be expected of teachers who spend years preparing themselves for a position and then receive only a few more pennies than a laborer," he asked.

WHO SETS PAY—Our reader was anxious to learn if the state legislature adjusted the pay scale of all school employees, including the janitor.

We had to confess that we could not give a positive answer, but (Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)

Smaller Income Tax Slash Seen

Knutson Says Reduction Can Be Only Ten Per Cent, Instead Of 20, Because Of Senate's Budget Amendment

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Chairman Knutson (R-Minn) said today that taxes can be reduced only 10 per cent under the \$4,500,000,000 budget cut voted by the senate but he predicted the house "never will accept" the senate figure.

Knutson's statement came immediately after the senate adopted by a 51 to 33 vote an amendment by Senator Millikin (R-Colo) trimming \$1,500,000,000 off the \$6,000,000,000 the house previously had voted to attempt to reduce federal spending.

Knutson, who is chairman of the house ways and means committee, said the smaller cut would throw overboard his house bill proposing a 20 per cent across the board slash in individual income taxes.

Still pending in the senate as Knutson spoke was a proposal by Senator Knowland (R-Calif) to require that \$3,000,000,000 of any government surplus be applied to the national debt.

Senator Taft (R-Ohio) proposed to cut Knowland's debt retirement figure to \$1,000,000,000, leaving room for a \$3,500,000,000 tax reduction if revenues come in as expected.

Senator Green (D-R.I.) went the other way with a proposed amendment to apply all of the budget saving to the debt.

All those proposals remained to be voted on when the senate quit for the night.

As for the ceiling on spending, Chairman Taft, of the Senate Republican policy committee, predicted to a reporter that a Senate-House compromising committee eventually will arrive at a figure of \$5,000,000,000 or slightly more as the overall pledge for reducing expenditures.

This would put Congress on record as promising, if it doesn't change its mind later when individual appropriations bills are voted — to hold government costs to about 85 per cent of the level Mr. Truman previously had described as bedrock.

The Senate's vote for the \$4,500,000,000 cut represented a victory for the armed services, which had contended that the larger savings promised by the House would cut too deeply into Army and Navy funds as to make them ineffective for national defense and to support American foreign policy.

The House's \$6,000,000,000 slash was said to involve lopping \$2,250,000,000 off military and civil functions of the two departments. Most Senators appeared to believe the Senate figure would take no more

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Day In Congress

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
MERGER—President Truman sent his plan to congress for unification of the armed services under a civilian secretary of national defense. The bill proposes creation of a separate air force department, ranking equally with the army and navy, and would give the navy continued control of naval aviation.

BUDGET—The senate voted 51-33 to cut \$4,500,000,000 off President Truman's \$37,500,000,000 budget amid sharp debate on whether any saving should go toward paying the national debt or lowering income taxes. Rep. Knutson (R-Minn) said the senate's reduction would knock his proposed 20 per cent tax cut down to 10 percent, but declared the house "will never accept" the senate figure. The house has already approved a \$6,000,000,000 slash.

LABOR—AFL President William Green told the house labor committee he is "willing to accept" some labor law changes, including the right of employers to engage in free speech and public reports on union finances, other than local unions. He continued to shout stormy opposition to most proposed curbs on union labor.

PORTAL PAY—A bill outlawing virtually all portal pay suits, now totalling nearly \$6,000,000,000, was sent to the house floor for debate Thursday and a vote Friday. The senate judiciary committee also prepared an anti-portal bill for senate debate Friday.

ATOMIC—Month old open hearings on the confirmation of David E. Lilienthal as chairman of the atomic energy commission came to a halt. Final senate committee vote on the controversy is expected by Saturday.

Navy Successfully Fires V-Rocket From Sub Deck

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The navy has successfully fired a German V-1 rocket from the deck of a submarine, unofficial reports said today.

The navy department refused to answer questions concerning the experiment which is understood to have been conducted on the west coast at Point Mugu, Calif., the navy's rocket testing station.

Spectators on shore witnessed the flight of the pazzi "buzz bomb" along the coast last week, according to the reports which reached here.

The use of hard-hitting rockets was just getting into full swing when the war ended. Packing a tremendous wallop without recoil, difficulties, rockets have been considered logical weapons for new-type submarines, and the test has been anticipated for some time.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, in discussing weapons of the future in a recent speech, suggested submarines some day might be equipped to launch guided missiles with atomic warheads.

Submarines held up well at the atom-bomb tests of navy vessels last year in the Pacific and a number of new types, including possibly one to carry a number of planes, have been regarded as feasible by submarine experts.

In keeping with the submarine's new role as a powerful striking weapon of the fleet, navy chief have revealed that underseas warfare shares top research priority with guided missiles in the navy today.

And So To Bed

Branded as purely republican propaganda was the following report arriving here last night from Rahway, N. J., via a press association wire: "A year ago, Mrs. William E. Lawson named her cat Harry E. Truman."

"Today, Harry had kittens." But at least you must admit that that's better than most of the corry jokers about the President's piano playing.