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WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 1947 MOLOTOV RETREATS UNDER PRESSURE

Measure Now

**Faces Stormy** 

Senate

VETO IN

Rep. Engel Of Michigan

Flays Bill As Catering to

Wealthy People

WASHINGTON, March 27-(AP)-

Republicans rammed their "30-

House on schedule today, 273 to 137

and sent it to a less enthusiastic

The final roll call found 233 Republicans joined by 40 Democrats for the bill. Against it were 133

Democrats and Reps. Engel (R-

Mich), Buffett (R-Neb), H. Carl

Andersen (R-Minn) and Marcan-

The bill would trim 30 percent

off the taxes of persons with tax-

short of the two thirds necessary

The Senate probably will not

Before the final House vote, the

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**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** 

man To Enlist 2,000

Into Organization

over Brunswick, Onslow, and New

Final discussions and organiza-

tion plans for the membership drive were held last night by mem-

ing in the Friendly cafeteria. Louis

A goal of \$32,000, including \$15,-

The ultimate objective of the

Hanover counties.

act until late in April or later.

to any tax cuts now; he may veto the bill. Today's vote was one

onio (AL-NY).

to overide a veto.

income tax slash through the

islatio'

## Mining Town Prepares To 'Honor' Dead

Mayor Of Centralia to Pro-claim Burial Day For Blast Victims

DEATH TOLL GROWS

Eighteen More Bodies Removed From Tunnels Of Illinois Mine

CENTRALIA, Ill., March 27. to bury its miner dead, as rescue quads combed methodically through a network of mine tunnels, virtually resigned the death toll in Tuesday's underground ex plosion would rise to 111.

Tired, dust-smeared rescue workers brought 18 more bodies up the shaft of the Centralia Coal company's No. 5 mine early today. But they still found no signs of life among the 76 miners still unaccounted for below. No survivor has been found since 31 men were rescued from the gas-contaminated mine the first few hours after the

The known death toll rose to 35, with discovery of the additional

A rescue squad leader gave the missing men "no chance at all" and Mayor O. W. Wright disclosed he was preparing a proclamation to designate a holiday commemo-rating a burial day or burial days for the victims.

Probe Demanded Meanwhile, a demand was made in the national House of representatives for an investigation of the disaster and Illinois' Governor Dwight H. Green declared he was determined to have a "full, com plete, impartial and non-political"

Acting after the Senate voted yesterday to conduct an investiga-tion, Rep. Vursell (R.-Ill.) intro-

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### RAILROAD CLAMPS **EMBARGO ON MILK**

Illinois Central Will Not Haul Commodity Through Strike Zone

AMITE, La., March 27 - (AP) The Illinois Central railroad clamped an embargo today on milk shipments through the Florida parishes of Louisiana where a non-union farmer has been wounded and thousands of gallons of milk seized during a strike of dairymen for higher wholesale

prices. 0. C. Stein, Illinois Central of ficial, announced that no milk will be accepted aboard trains anywhere along the line between Memphis and New Orleans, Several trains have been searched spilled onto the ground. Federal officers are investigating.

Otis Baham, 24-year-old officia of the Dairy Farmers cooperative at Kentwood, La., was wounded in the arm last night when he refused to stop his automobile on age has been reported, the police one of the stretches of road being said. patrolled by strikrs attempting to

escaped injury as a group of men caused. opened fire with shotguns and gave crove into his farm. Baham reported the affair to police. He is not producing milk during the srtike, and had none in his car. C. L. Russell, president of the Amite Local No. 16 of the AFL Affiliated Dairy Employes, Chauffeurs and Maintenance employes. said he had no knowledge of the

"I think the report is false," he

Asked whether he thought strike sympathizers might have shot Baham, Russell replied: "I don't think so. I know they wouldn't. When my boys go out

(Continued on Page Three, Col. 1) HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

MISS LUCY BIN READIN' ONE DEM WHODUNITS EN SHE SAY SHE FIN' OUT EARLY DE GUILTY MAN WUZ DE MAN DAT WRIT IT!



### Blast Survivor Rescued



Stretcher bearers bring out one of the 131 miners trapped by a terrific explosion far down in the No. 5 mine of the Centralia Coal Company at Centralia, Ill. Thirty-four others were brought out alive afterwards. Rescue workers believed 111 perished. Search continued for the entombed men. (AP Wirephoto).

### Sugar Rationing End May Cause "Scandal"

### HIGH WINDS HIT CITY, RESORTS

Four Wilmington Sections Report Electric Service Disputed

The local weather bureau reported at 1:20 a. m. today that the wind storm which caused local disturbances last night and early this morning had passed north of the city and the barometer was then rising.

Extreme winds clocked durlate last night were 55 miles per hour, with the maximum winds listed as 43.

At 1:20 a. m. the barometer had risen to 29.62 from an earlier recording of 29.

At least four Wilmington sections were affected directly last night by the high winds, with electrical service disrupted and lines down, officials of the Tide Water Power company said early this morning. The company had repair crews at all points in an effort to repair the damage.

The sections affected were Prinduring stops here, and bands of cess Place, Brookwood, Lake Formen twice forced the sidetracking est and the Market Street road. At of cars containing milk, which was last reports no other areas were hit hard by the lack of electricity. Clothing Belonging To bers of the board of directors meet-Police officers at Carolina Beach reported that the estimated wind velocity at the southern resort was estimated at about 35 miles per hour, early this morning. No dam-

Wrightsville Beach was also rathpatrolled by strikrs attempting to wrightsville Beach was also rather than truck shipments of milk to er hard hit by the force of the lum, under indictment in the of the money it to be used for other an dextensive plans will be made Wife Escapes

after midnight that as far as they deaths of his fiancee's parents projects, creating a full time of to publicize the establishments of the members of the me

# BE LOCATED HERE

District Engineers To Erect Center At Brunswick River Lay-Up Basin

At the request of the United States Maritime Commission, a 2500 gallon storage and distribution unit is to be installed at the contaminated with human blood." Brunswick River Storage basin by the Wilmington District Corps

of Engineers. are to be placed on the Maritime Commission dock at the basin, it Gollum had moved after the Overwas stated, and will be used to ells were killed in Newport bay supply the gasoline operated equip- the night of March 15. ment used at the basin.

Work on the project will begin after plans and specifications are prepared by the local engineers.

#### Tobey So Charges When Senate Okays Oct. 31 As Deadline

He said profiteering and gambing in sugar will create the scandal he foresees. Senator Donnell (R.-Mo.) re-parked that he had "no fear of any

ors blind."

The speculators are not blind toight," Tobey yelled. Senator Taft (R.-Ohio) scoffed at

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### **CHEMIST REPORTS BLOODSTAIN FIND**

Overell Murder Suspect **Enters Dramatic Case** 

yacht, highlighted a transcript of gram. county cler shortly after Gollum. ed for arraignment under murder indictments voted yesterday.

uvenile court. Gollum's entry of a plea was delayed until April 4.

"As a result of my examination, I have been able to determine that the coat at one time was heavily The grment earlier had been admitted as a jury exhibit, described as found in a room in the Flint-The storage tank and supply line ridge mansion of Financier and Mrs. Walter E. Overell into which

Pinker's testimony continued:

### Cubans' Honor Satisfied When Blood Flows Freely

swords at dawn today apparently their differences and parted as ing up a great opportunity if you satisfying the "honor" of both, friends. one, an alleged friend of Charles In the first reprise or round. (Lucky) Luciano, whose depor-tation last week left a fantastic the second, Chibas was wounded tangle of personal animosities in the left side. He bled profusely.

among high-placed Cubans The duelists were Sen. Francisco was not grave. He received med-Prio Socarras, brother of the it again. prime minister and an alleged close associate of the racketeer wrist in the third test of arms, during Luciano's six months in but his wound likewise was pro-

who sneered publicly at the alleged friendship.

- Blood was drawn from two or of both Senators. Then Prio he states.

Cuban Senators duelling with and Chibas ostensibly made up "Along The Cape Fear is pass

but the doctors said the wound ical attention and they went at

Prio was pinked in the right sufficient damage had been done ary War. Their swords flashed in the to satisfy the demands of the

able income up to \$1.000; and give 20 percent reductions to most other taxpayers, retroactive to Jan. 1. Several "ifs" make the future WASHINGTON, March 27-(AP)of the bill uncertain. One is the position of GOP Senate leaders that the tax cut should be effective July 1, instead of for the full year of 1947. Another is

Amid bitter charges by Senator obey (R-N.H.) that it was opening the way for "a national scandal," the Senate approved and sent back to the House tonight a bill to kill sugar rationing next Ortober 31. It stamped final approval on the bill by a 46 to 34 vote after a stormy session in which Tobey shouted that his own party, the Republicans,, must shoulder the 'blame' for the failure to extend controls for a full year.

marked that he had "no fear of any national scandal" and asked Tobey why he made the charge. Tobey replied that the October

31 deadline would put spectators on notice when they can make Hugh Morton Named Chairthe kill' whereas the longer control period would make specula-

#### A campaign to enlist 2,000 mempers into the South Eastern North Carolina Beach Association will get lined by the president were the underway on Monday morning with members of the organization solic- ing by the members from local iting individuals and business firms merchants and brokers. Stacy

SANTA, ANA, Calif., March 27 -(P)—Discovery of bloodstains by 000 for the fall fishing rodeo to be a police chemist on clothing iden- sponsored by SENCBA, has been tors were planning to observe May grand jury testimony filed today.

The transcript was filed with the indirectly interested in the development of the area's tourist and rec-21, and Louise Overell, 17, appear- reational potentialities will be asked to become members of SENCin the drive opening on Monday. Miss Overell was certified to ities will be approached. Minimum of \$10 has been named for individual membership.

Ray Pinker, Los Angeles police chemist, said of a black leather

"Microscopic examination

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## Along The Cape Fear

sterling defense of the cat fish which graced this column not so indicates that they're right," our long ago has brought on a con-friend contends.

the cat fish, we're glad to say, have no more truck with them but as to which is the best eating and immediately turn to the imfish in the Cape Fear region. But let us tell you what one eating fish to be found here. friend has written to us:

"Many more millions of Ameri-

he adds. make sure that the controversy moment. will develop, the same reader was kind enough to tell us what one

many long years ago had to say Lord Cornwallis we are told. said the discovery of the blue

Perhaps, or certainly, Salon of Arms here until doctors "gentleman's code" which applies people—at least chess or culinary and judges decided enough bloodto such contests.

CONTROVERSY AGAIN—The tain trout as the top eating fish. terling defense of the cat fish "The price on the spring menus

But as the Cape Fear region Not as to the great merits of boasts no mountain trout, we will pertant task of picking the No. 1

FLOUNDER PERHAPS-Just cans are more interested in eat- a cursory survey of our associing fish than in catching them," ates reveals that the flounder is strong contender for top honors. do not investigate this important Gallup poll conducted in less than where. five minutes, just to give you some idea as to how extensive FOR A STARTER - Just to our research has been to the

Our kind reader who suggested that we promote the battleofthe distinguished visitor in our midst fish has already taken his stand.

LIKELY CHOICE - "Of salt water fish the pig fish is a favorite, with shad second and the Cuba, and Sen. Edward Chibas, nounced not grave. Then the Brem in North Carolina was black spotted trout third. They who sneered publicly at the aljudges halted the duel, ruling that worth the price of the Revolutionare so different in taste that it are so different in taste that it is impossible to get any agreement," he cautions us.

experts-rate the brook or moun- (Continued on Page Three, Col. 8) Armour packing company shipping (Continued on Page Four, Col. 6

# The officers and guests of the New Hanover Restaurant Operators Association are shown above at the banquet meeting of the association held last night at the Famous Club. Left to right, seated—R. W. Fergurson, of Charlotte, representative of Swift and Company; W. A. Linehan, director of the sugar disvision of the OPA, Raleigh and W. C. Ha as, sanitary inspector for the food division of the city-county health department. Standing—E. W. Stacy, president; Miss Anna Koutroulias, member of the board of directors; William J. Blackwell, secretary-treasurer and Chris Rongotos, vice-president of the association, (PHOTO BY CAROLINA CAMERA). Local Merchants

### OUTLINE GOALS Aims Of New Local Organ-

The Weather Today And Saturday Desization Told At First Formal Meeting FORECAST: and rain in East portion Friday morning collowed by clearing Friday afternoon Over 100 members of the New

Hanover Restaurant Operators Association and their guests attended the first official meeting of the
group, organized last October, in
the Famous Club last night.

President E. W. Stacy presided
and before introducing the speak
and before introducing the speak
Meteorological data for the 24 hours
ending 7:30 n.m. vesterday. ers on the program, he gave a general outline of the purposes

nding 7:30 p. m. yesterday. TEMPERATURES 1:30 a. m. 35; 7:30 a. m. 34, 1:30 p. m. 46; 7:30 p. m. 51; Maximum 52; Minimum 31; Mean 42; Normal 56.

HUMIDITY

1:30 a. m. 45; 7:30 a. m. 52; 1:30 p. m. and objectives of the recently-Included in the objectives as out-

FROM WEST ON NAZI AUSTRIAN LOOT;

REPUBLICANS PASS TAX SLASH BILL

Restaurant Operators Hold Banquet Here

35; 7:30 p. m. 64.

PRECIPITATION

Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. organization for cooperative buy-Total since the first of the month said the board of directors of the TIDES FOR TODAY Association have visions of estab-

(From the Tide Tables published by Coast and Geodetic Survey). lishing their own poultry farm. Wilmington 2:00 a.m. 2:20 p.m. Masonboro 12:09 a.m. "We will appoint a special way and means committee to study Sunrise 6:05; Sunset 6:30; Moo 10:10a; Moonset 12:08a. River stage at Fayetteville, N. C. a. m. Thursday 12.8 feet. The committee and the board of B. Orrell, president, was in charge directors will study the ideas subof the meeting. Hugh Morton has mitted and work out a plan that been named as chairman of the will be presented to the members

for a mail vote, the president WEATHER "NASTY" Stacy said the restaurant opera-ALL OVER STATE

Individuals and firms directly or Miss Anna Koutroulias, a mem-Temperature In Carober of the board of directors, served as toast mistress. By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In introducing W. A. Linehan, director of the sugar branch of the O.P.A., with headquarters at Ra-Later, municipalities, and commun- leigh, Miss Koutroulias, referred to him as the "Sugar Daddy" of the restauranters.

formed association.

stated.

"You people, the institutional users of sugar, know just about as SENCBA program is to create much as I do about the present year-round recreational activities sugar situation," he said.

and projects for the area. Since He stated that the main source its organization less than one year of the American sugar supply ago, the major projects sponsored comes from the Carribean area.

by SENCBA was the fishing rodeo He went into detail of explaining staged last fall. A larger rodeo is the present sugar reulations, but

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#### land and in the mountains hovering around the freezing mark. At 7:30 P. M. Thursday Wilmington was the warmest point in

North Wilkesboro reported three moderate to heavy falls were re-Concord and Asheville.

round 40 this morning.

lina Thursday

It was generally nasty outdoors

The Charlotte Weather bureau

-snow, sleet and rain-over most

of the state with temperatures in-

in North Carolina last night.

Greensboro, Raleigh and Winston-in which the frame structure burn-Salem were freezing or below and ed. A strong odor of kerosene Continued on Page Four, Col. 3) (Continued on Page Seven; Col. 3)

# Sponsoring Event

Wilmington" Days "Shop in Wilmington Days," to-

lay and fomorrow. These are the days when the alphabetical symbol SWD, about

The two days have been set aside of-town shoppers to visit Wilmington stores and view the beautiful out compensation from the United Easter displays now featured here. Nations or Austrians." ton stores and view the beautiful For the first time since the close of the war, Wilmington merchants the deputies prepare a "defini-(Continued on Page Seven; Col. 3)

### INQUEST CALLED IN NEGRO'S DEATH

Coroner Sets Monday Night the Russians a right to assets For Probe Of Fire

New Hanover county Coroner Gordon Doran announced last Wilmington Boasts Highest night that an inquest into the death of Bob Martin, aged Wilmington Negro, has been scheduled for Monday night in the grand jury room of the courthouse at eight

Martin's body was found badly burned in a blazing house at 706 Green street Wednesday night and it was thought at first that the house caught fire accidently and reported moisture in various forms Martin was trapped in the building. He was found crumpled just inside the front door and firemen were forced to break the door down when it was found locked.

Local officers, together with the state with 50 degrees, but the Doran, started an investigation mercury was expected to drop to when certain clues were found led them to suspect foul play. Investigating officers said yes-

nches of snow yesterday and terday that Martin reportedly had several hundred dollars locked in ported along the Northern edge of a trunk in the house but efforts to he state. Snow fell in Charlotte, find the trunk were unsuccessful Another thing which acted to Temperatures early last night in raise suspicion was the manner

### Bacon Business Brings "Blushes" To Barrister Lawers usually are the last per-|clerk, said he had chased a man

its share of support in minature wish they were, well, you know

But such wasn't the case in recorder's court here yesterday. For reported present. a fleeting moment an attorney bacon, a defendant by proxy, an Willie Simon. alleged bargain between the actual

place, it's necessary to give a about little history of the case. On March 13, W. J. Dempsey,

sons in the world to become em-down an alley, Alexander Davis, barrasseed in court. They have the who later was arrested by police The Virginia Mullet came in for know-how of making defendants and charged with the theft of a box of bacon valued at \$48.

When Davis was called to answer in court yesterday, he promptly

But on cross-examination, it was turned and twisted like a worm on revealed that he wasn't "Alexa hot brick. And figuratively he ander Davis." When his true was on a hot brick for the moment. identity was made known, it was It all had to do with a box of found that he actually was one

Solicitor James King said he defendant, the proxy and the at-smelled a rat in the proceedings at once. He said he began to ques-To understand just what took tion Willie as to what it all was

"Yassuh." Willie said, "Alex

## Compromise Proposal Is **Brushed Off**

Russian Minister Agrees to Discuss Key Issue to Peace Parley

Bevin, Bidault Back United States Stand That Definition Needed

MARSHAL HOLDS ON

MOSCOW, March 27 - (AP) Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov gave ground tonight under pressure from the three Western nations and agreed to dis-cuss a definition of German sets in Austria, the key issue in the writing of the Austrian peace

He submitted to the Foreign Ministers council a compromise proposal which American authorities said unofficially was too vague to permit acceptance. Whether Molotov's retreat foreshadowed agreement on the Austrian pact remained in doubt.

For two hours Molotov clung teadfastly to his argument that ny German assets in the Eastern one of Austria belonged to Russia without question, and that no definition of what constituted German assets was necessary. The problem, he said, was covered adequately by the Potsdam agreement which Russia has interpreted as allowing her to take whatever she pleased

West Insistnet
Secretary of State Marshall,
French Minister Georges Bidault and British Secretary Ernest Bevin had insisted that it was neeignated As "Shop In German assets in Austria. They maintained that the Germans had essary to define what constitutes seized much Austrian and United Nations property without payment, and this could not be considered German although it was

in German hands at the end of the war. In partial acceptance of which you have been reading, French proposal, Molotov sug-come to realization. French proposal, Molotov sugministers be instructed to "preby the Wilmington merchants as pare a definition of German asa period of special appeal to out- sets excluding property seized by the Germans by direct force, or as a measure of aryanization with-

> The French proposal would have tion of German assets excluding all property taken by force or duress, and in general unduly taken by the Germans from the United Nations or Austria for religious, political and racial rea-

> Soviet Claims Molotov's elimination of the phrase "by duress" would give taken by the Nazis by the use of threats and other pressure. Likewise the phrase "as a measure of aryanization" would apply only

#### (Continued on Page Seven; Col. 4) SNOW, HIGH WIND **CUTS ATTENDANCE**

Three Thousand Teachers Gather At Asheville For Convention

ASHEVILLE, March 27-(A)-Inelement weather, including snow and ice and high winds, slowed arrivals here today for the 63rd annual convention of the North Carolina Education association. Approximately 3,000 school teachers, principals and superintendents. including 1,800 official delegates, are expected to attend the convention, however, and welcome signs were in evidence in store windows and public buildings

throughout the city. Sessions which preceded the first general meeting of the convention. this afternoon included meetings of the NCEA board of directors and of the superintendents' and united principals' divisions.

Two general sessions are scheduled to be held tomorrow. One, beginning at 9 a. m., will feature election of NCEA delegates, the president's report on association activities, discussion of the NCEA

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### And So To Bed

How old should a dime be to The question is not so ridiculous as it might sound, since

any numismatist - coin collector - might ask it. O. V. Hill, of 11-X Lake Forest, has a dime dated 1833, which makes it about 114 years

"I had had it for some time, thinking the date was 1888, until I applied some acid and brought out the 1833 date," explained Hill, an employe of American Bakeries company.