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FORECAST:

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UN Assembly Meet Called

Twenty-Nine Nations Approve Special Session On Palestine Question

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 13 (AP)—The United Nations today called a special session of the 55-nation General Assembly, beginning April 28, to map the future of Palestine.

The assembly will try to skirt the complex political issues of the Holy Land problem until later in the year, restricting the special session to establishment of a fact-finding commission to lay ground-work for a final decision on Palestine's future.

The world parliament will meet at 11 a. m. Monday, April 28 at the now-deserted New York World's Fair building at Flushing Meadows which has become the temporary assembly hall of the U. N.

There appeared to be at least one immediate political result of the special session. The Egyptian government has agreed to a special assembly meeting in Cairo, it is reported, has decided to shelve indefinitely its offer to bring the broken-down Anglo-Egyptian treaty negotiations into the UN Security Council.

Ask Restraint

Other Arab states were understood to have prevailed upon the Egyptian government to refrain from any action which might strain British-Arab relations during the fateful UN debate on the future status of Palestine.

Formal invitations to the 55 member nations were prepared by the UN Secretariat today shortly after Canada, the Philippines and Turkey endorsed Britain's request for a special assembly meeting devoted solely to the Holy Land crisis.

It was necessary for 28 members representing a majority of the United Nations to approve the meeting. The UN could act on the proposal only after a two-week period of study of the issues of the festering Palestine question and report back to the assembly at its regular 1947 session in September. Then, officials believe, the real showdown on Palestine will come.

FOUR PASSENGERS DIE IN AIR CRASH

Seven Others Receive Injuries When BSAA Ship Breaks Up In Fog

LISBON, Portugal, April 13 (AP)—Four persons were killed and seven were injured, three seriously, when a British South American Airways York transport, the Star Speed, crashed early today on a fog-shrouded field at Dakar, French West Africa.

In Paris the French news agency said four of the injured died, raising the death toll to eight. Three of those hurt were said to be in critical condition.

The airliner left London Saturday morning for Rio De Janeiro and carried nine passengers and a crew of six, including a stewardess, BSAA announced. No Americans were aboard. The dead were all passengers.

Casualty List

The airlines casualty list was: Killed: Aurelio Oliveira Brito, Portugal, his son, Aurelio S. Brito, 10; Dr. A. Baxter of Great Britain, and Fernando Costa Pinheiro, of Portugal.

The airlines said all the injured were sent to a hospital.

The French news agency in a dispatch from Dakar said the plane found in the airfield covered with fog, circled for an hour until its fuel was exhausted then tried a crash landing. It struck a tree and was split in two.

The agency said the British consul and French authorities had investigated and absolved the crew.

TWO LOSE LIVES

IN AYDEN CRASH

AYDEN, April 13 (AP)—Henry Leigh Burgess, 18, of Raleigh, and Don Jenkins, 12, of Ayden were killed today when a small private plane piloted by Burgess crashed on the farm of E. Lee Cox two miles west of here.

The plane was demolished and the badly mangled bodies of the

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The Weather

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CHAIRMAN of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, Sen. Charles W. Tobey (R-N.H.), is pictured before he told legislators in Washington that there was "thimbleberry and humbuggery" in loan negotiations between the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the B. & O. Railroad. He said it was his belief that the R. F. C. acquiesced in a "fraudulent" banking action which had the effect of enabling the railroad to extend an \$80,000,000 loan, due in 1944, to 1965.—(International Soundphoto).

BOARD MAY NAME JONES SUCCESSOR

County Home Issue Also Expected To Come Before Commissioners

The naming of a successor to the late C. David Jones, sheriff of New Hanover county, and action on the repeated request of Commissioner George W. Trask that the board accept his resignation as chairman of the county home committee will face the county commissioners when they meet today at 10 a. m.

Chairman Addison Hewlett has indicated that the selection of a new sheriff will be on today's agenda.

According to courthouse circles two veteran attaches of Sheriff Jones' office, Porter Davis and M. B. Register, are among the most likely and logical successors to receive the appointment for the unexpired term extending to January, 1950.

The possibility that the commissioners may be called upon to appoint Sheriff Jones' widow as his successor was heard over the weekend. In the event such action should be forthcoming at today's session, a chief deputy would be appointed from the present staff to assume most of the sheriff's normal duties.

The county home issue is likely to arise again today as Trask, who has served on the board for

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VIOLENCE TAKES TEN STATE LIVES

Drowning Accounts For 2 Fatalities; 1 Highway Accident Death

By The Associated Press

At least 10 persons died violent deaths in North Carolina during the weekend.

Henry Leigh Burgess, 18, of Raleigh and Don Jenkins, 12, of Ayden, were killed late Sunday when a small private plane piloted by Burgess crashed two miles west of Ayden.

Odell Ramsauer, 23, of Route 1, Newton, and his two-week-old son Chester, were fatally burned when their home was destroyed by fire Sunday morning.

Donald Sheffield of Whiteville and Eauron Harrelson of Mollie in Columbus county were killed Saturday night in a dynamite explosion aboard a small boat on Lake Waccamaw.

Two-year-old Roger Paschal drowned in a shallow spring on his grandfather's farm near Greensboro Friday.

Randolph Thorne of Route 1, Wilson, was killed in an auto-truck collision on the Wilson-Raleigh highway Saturday night.

Norman Summerlin, 26, drowned late Saturday when the boat in which he was riding on a pond near Mt. Olive capsized.

Four-year-old Annette Taylor was shot and killed Saturday night when, Coroner Raymond Jarman reported, a shotgun in the hands of her father was discharged.

2,000 Villagers Get Anti-Smallpox Serum

MILLBROOK, April 13 (AP)—State troopers stood by today to keep order as three doctors worked at a feverish pace here to vaccinate 2,000 villagers after the outbreak of four cases of the virulent type of smallpox.

Local physicians assisted by a State Health department doctor vaccinated more than 1,000 residents by early afternoon. Troopers calmed long lines of village residents and farmers from the surrounding area as they stood in long lines awaiting their turn.

Panic-stricken residents yesterday to mob local doctors yesterday when the cases were first reported but doctors ran out of vaccine. The State Health department rushed additional vaccine and other doctor to the area this morning.

Milk Strike Hit

Wholesale Milk Deliveries In Chalkout

April 13 (AP)—Spurning an appeal by Gov. Robert F. Bradford, 1,700 milk truck drivers and creamery workers went on strike today and frantic mothers besieged union headquarters for emergency service.

The wildcat walkout cut off deliveries of 60 per cent of the milk supply for communities in Eastern Massachusetts including Boston. It was estimated that 530,000 families from Worcester to Cape Cod were affected by the controversy over length of the work week.

A spokesman for the Milk Wagon Drivers, Creamery and Ice Cream Workers union (AFL) said telephone at the union headquarters had been ringing steadily since 6 a. m., with requests for delivery from mothers of young children. Many of the callers were directed to dairies near their home where they could buy milk over the counter.

Service to hospitals and other institutions continued despite the strike.

First report of violence came from the Dorchester section of Boston where a non-striking driver told police three milk bottles were taken from his truck and hurled through his windshield.

Canned Milk Run

Variety stores, open on Sunday, reported a run on canned milk. The drivers quit when their 11th hour compromise plan was rejected by the 17 companies involved. After holding out for six days' pay for five days' work, the union finally agreed to a five-and-a-half day work week. The companies turned down the compromise, reiterating their original proposal of a flat \$2-a-week raise for six days work.

The union, an affiliate of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers (AFL), contends that the shorter work week is necessary to provide more jobs. The Teamsters' union had not sanctioned the walkout.

Gov. Bradford announced that he did not plan to use his emergency powers.

VIRGINIA WELLS PRODUCING CRUDE

Big Boom In Mineral Leases Follows Finding Of Oil In Virginia

EWING, Va., April 13 (AP)—A dozen oil wells in operation, plus another dozen in various stages of drilling, are bringing an unprecedented boom to parts of Lee county, Virginia's first oil field.

Oil and gas rights to an estimated 60,000 acres of land, running down the Powell River valley across the Tennessee line, have been leased by a half dozen companies, speculators and independent drillers.

Operators of the existing wells have offered no figures on production, but local businessmen and property owners who have watched the drillings and pumping operations, estimated that the daily output is about 400 barrels.

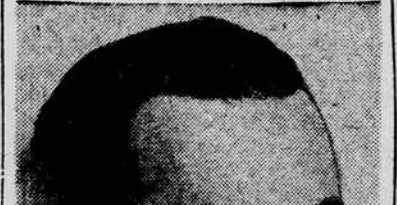
Robert Fulkerson, one of the Ewing promoters, said one of the top producing wells is yielding at least 100 barrels a day, worth \$2000 or more at the spot.

Ship By Truck

The Rouge Oil company, a Louisiana concern, which began operations in this area a year ago last February, owns the successful wells sunk thus far. Lester Trahan, Rouge representative in Ewing, said the company is shipping Lee county oil by truck to Middlesboro, Ky., about 20 miles away, for loading on tank cars and delivery to refineries elsewhere.

Mrs. Vesta E. Sewell, clerk of Lee county circuit court, said the deluge of leases coming into her office and additional activity in handling deeds had necessitated additional office help. She said leases guarantee landowners one-eighth of the sale price of oil or gas produced on their land.

Fulkerson said purchase of more than 60 acres of land for a prospective oil refinery, to be completed if oil production reaches the point where local refining would be practical, already has been made.



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SMILING BROADLY, President Harry S. Truman rounds out his second year as Chief Executive by working as usual in his White House office. The President is reported to be riding a new high of popularity, according to a national poll group, with 60 percent of the voters approving the way he is "handling his job" at present.—(International Soundphoto).

Nathan Sees Way To Bar Inflation

Economist Suggests Return To Excess Profit Tax To Lower Prices

WASHINGTON, April 13 (AP)—Economist Robert Nathan suggested tonight that Congress threaten to reimpose excess profits tax on industry unless it cooperates with President Truman's anti-inflation drive and voluntarily lowers prices.

Nathan, one time top New Deal economist and a former deputy director of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconstruction, said in a radio broadcast (WINK) that there was little Congress could do to stop an inflationary spiral.

"I doubt the feasibility of even thinking about re-instating controls like OPA," he said. "But they (the Congressmen) can bring pressure to bear against excessive

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DYNAMITE BLAST TAKES TWO LIVES

Columbus County Men Victims Of Explosion Aboard Small Boat

WHITEVILLE, April 13 (AP)—A dynamite explosion aboard a small boat killed two men and seriously injured a third on Lake Waccamaw late last night.

A fourth man escaped with only slight injuries and was able to direct officers to the scene where they found the bodies in about three feet of water.

Sheriff H. D. Hanley identified the dead men as Donovan Sheffield of Whiteville and Eauron Harrelson of Mollie, Columbus county. Thurmond Harwood was still unconscious tonight in the Columbus county hospital.

The fourth man was Jesse Todd who reached Whiteville about five hours after the accident to report to Sheriff Stanley that a boat had "blown up."

Stanley said that Todd told him the following story:

"I was blown about 20 feet away from the boat when the explosion took place. When I got myself together and understood what had happened the first thing I remember seeing was a hand sticking up out of the water. I took hold of this hand and dragged it to

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Plane Cracks Flight Marks

Hounded By Bad Luck, Ship Leaves Cairo On Hop To Karachi, India

CAIRO, Egypt, April 13 (AP)—The Reynolds round-the-world Bombshell roared off the runway here tonight with her nose pointed toward Karachi, India, her crew set on a globe-girdling record, and a trail of smashed flying marks already behind her.

Hounded by bad luck but blessed by good weather, the Bombshell was 21 hours and 57 minutes out of New York and about a third of the way around the world, when she took off at 10:08 p. m. (3:08 p. m. EST).

A flat tire on the nose wheel kept the silver, blue-trimmed plane here for two hours and 16 minutes, just as a bad radio had grounded her for 77 minutes in Paris.

The next stop was Karachi, India—1,958 miles away.

"We're practically there already," grinned Milton Reynolds, 54-year-old millionaire owner of the plane and navigator for the record-smashing flight.

New Records

The Bombshell already has set new, unofficial speed records from New York to Gander, 3 hours flat; from Gander to Shannon, Ireland, 5 hours and 17 minutes; Gander to Paris, 7 hours flat; and Paris to Cairo, 6 hours and 38 minutes.

Reynolds and his two crew members—Capt. William Odum, pilot, of Roslyn, N. Y., and T. Carroll Salee, flight engineer, of Mineola, N. Y.—were still confident they were going to better the present round-the-world record of 91 hours and 12 minutes set by Howard Hughes in July, 1931.

"Had we been flying Hughes route we would have been in New

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NINE MEN MISSING AFTER SHIP SINKS

Norwegian Freighter Goes Down Friday; Tanker On Fire At Sea

CAPE MAY, N. J., April 13 (AP)—A Norwegian cargo ship, the Belpamela, sank in the North Atlantic Friday and nine of the 27 persons aboard are missing, the Coast Guard reported today.

The John Mitchell, which picked up 18 survivors after the sinking, messaged that the Belpamela was sunk when rolling cargo burst her sides. The location of the ship was given as 1200 miles East of Norfolk, Va.

First word of the Norwegian freighter's plight received here came from the freighter Marquette Victory which relayed information from the Mitchell.

The fate of the nine missing crew members is not known, it was reported.

The Belpamela is owned by the Christian Smith company at Oslo, Norway.

The rescued crew members reported that the nine men still missing had put off in life rafts before the ship went down. The Coast Guard asked all vessels in the vicinity to conduct a search for the men.

The Belpamela, a 3,100 ton motor vessel, left New York on April 5 for Cherbourg, France.

The American freighter, John P. Mitchell, a 7,000 ton freighter of the Seas Shipping company, New York, is headed for an unspecified U. S. port and is expected to dock with the survivors within few days.

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And So To Bed

Three local men planned all last week for a fishing trip. Tackle was purchased, bait ready, and everything made ready.

Saturday finally arrived and brought rain. But the would be anglers carried out their plans. In showers and clear weather they battled for six hours. The next result... one skate, and that a small one.

On the way home one of the members of the party stopped by the fish market and purchased a few mullets.

Upon his arrival at home the angler was met at the door by his wife, he handed her the package with the remark, "This is all we could get."

The wife, unwrapping the package exclaimed, "Gee whiz, this is the first time I have ever seen fish caught ready for the frying pan."

The fish had been thoroughly cleaned by the owner of the market.

P. S. — Now Hubby is trying to explain so he can go again next week.