

Wilmington and vicarities: Increasing cloudiness and warmer today and tonight; Sunday, showers followed by cooler weather.

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Soviet Faces Major Defeat

Britain Clinches U. S. Victory On Greek Plan In Security Council

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 18.—(AP)—Soviet Russia faced a major defeat in the Security Council today on her demand for United Nations supervision over President Truman's aid program for Greece.

The verdict was assured when Britain, packing both majority support and the power of the veto, announced she would oppose a U. N. check on American spending in Greece.

France said she also would oppose it unless the United States agreed to supervision.

The other top proposal before the council submitted by the United States would order the council's Balkan investigating commission to leave representatives in Greece temporarily to watch over the turbulent border areas pending court action. This carried majority support but was subject to Russian veto.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, British delegate, assailed the Russian proposal as "not desirable or useful" and said he was surprised that Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko had advanced such a plan.

Cadogan Blast

Speaking of unilateral aid, Cadogan noted that the Russian government "had done the same thing for Poland, Yugoslavia and others" and, so far as he knew, had never informed the U. N. of it.

Peering over his glasses at Gromyko, Cadogan said he saw no reason to agree with the Soviet contention that American aid to Greece should be treated in one way and Soviet aid to Yugoslavia, Poland and others should be treated in another way.

Immediate reaction to Cadogan's speech came from Dr. Julius Katzschy, Polish delegate, who remarked that his country "did not need reminders from Sir Alexander" about its obligations to report on agreements. He then said that the Soviet resolution did not go far enough and offered an additional paragraph stipulating that aid

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LABOR GETS PAY BOOSTS, CONTRACT

Westinghouse Electric Offers Workers 15-Cent Hourly Increase

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Labor and management reached agreement, or cracked open stalemate negotiations, in some important sectors of industry yesterday.

In Pittsburgh Westinghouse Electric corp. and the CIO United Electrical workers announced a one-year contract agreement providing a 15-cent hourly wage increase to more than 75,000 workers. The agreement is subject to ratification by local unions.

In Pittsburgh, too, a long deadlock in negotiations between steel workers and the steel industry appeared broken when the union asked for a 23-cent an hour wage boost from Jones & Laughlin Steel corp., the nation's fourth largest producer employing some 25,000 workers.

Offer Denied The Jones & Laughlin offer, it was believed, could set a pattern for the industry. The Iron Age, steel industry journal, said Thursday U. S. Steel corp. had made a definite wage offer, for the first time, which was denied by Philip Murray, steelworkers president, and drew a "no comment" from big steel.

In Detroit, General Motors corp. matched the terms of its settlement with the CIO United Electrical workers with an offer of "the equivalent of a 15-cent hourly pay increase to the CIO United Auto workers. The offer included 11 1/2 cents an hour more pay plus pay for six holidays annually.

Union Dissatisfied The GM offer brought a quick "not satisfactory" from President Walter Reuther of the CIO-UAW in Pittsburgh.

The nationwide telephone strike entered its 12th day but in Washington Joseph A. Beirne, president of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, said "we're working toward a settlement this week."

The Weather

FORECAST: South Carolina—Increasing cloudiness and warmer Saturday, warmer Sunday with scattered showers west of Columbia. Sunday showers followed by cooler.

North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness and warmer Saturday, warmer Sunday with scattered showers west of Durham. Sunday showers followed by cooler.

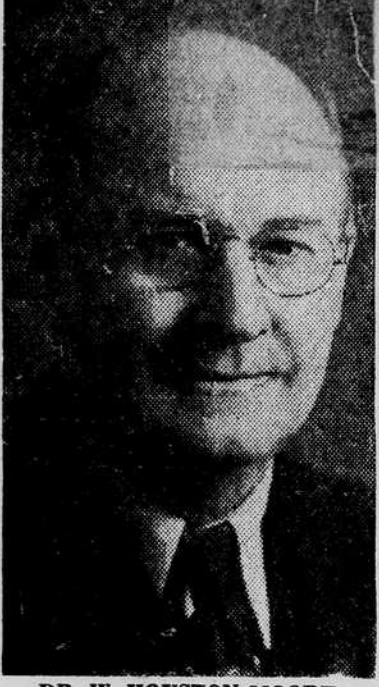
(Eastern Standard Time) (By U. S. Weather Bureau) Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday.

TEMPERATURES: Wilmington 7:30 a. m. 55; 7:30 a. m. 50; 1:30 p. m. 61; 7:30 p. m. 61; Maximum 66; Minimum 46; Mean 58; Normal 63.

HUMIDITY: Wilmington 7:30 a. m. 72; 7:30 a. m. 82; 1:30 p. m. 82; 7:30 p. m. 82.

PRECIPITATION: Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 4.5 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY: From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.



DR. W. HOUSTON MOORE

PEOPLE TO HONOR DR. MOORE SUNDAY

Mayor Lane Sets Day Aside In Recognition Of Greenfield Park Work

Sunday has been proclaimed "Dr. W. Houston Moore Day" by Mayor W. Ronald Lane in honor of the Wilmington physician who for years has been instrumental in the development of Greenfield Park.

In addition to his interest and work in the park, Dr. Moore has advocated the extensive planting of azaleas throughout the city as beauty attractions. He has been the driving force behind the proposed Azalea Festival, the first of which is scheduled for 1948.

A native of Warsaw, Dr. Moore came to Wilmington in 1911 and has practiced here since that time. In his proclamation, Mayor Lane extended an invitation to the public to visit Greenfield Sunday and view the profusion of azaleas now in bloom there.

Mayor Lane's proclamation, released yesterday, is as follows: Whereas, Greenfield Park is recognized as one of the most beautiful natural parks in the United States; and

Whereas, thousands of visitors annually visit Greenfield Park to see the magnificent floral display exhibited by the beautiful azaleas; and

Whereas, our historic city has gained national fame because of the development of Greenfield Park; and

Whereas, the azaleas will be at their height on Sunday, and Whereas, Dr. W. Houston Moore of Wilmington has given unsparingly of his vast energy and valuable time to promote Greenfield Park and direct the attention of the public to its great beauty; and has rendered a great public service through his unselfish efforts to allow our city to capitalize on the azaleas:

Now, therefore, in recognition of the devoted service of this public-spirited citizen and physician, I, W. Ronald Lane, mayor of Wilmington, do declare Sunday, April 20, "Dr. W. Houston Moore Day" and invite all to whom these presents shall come to visit Greenfield on that day.

TOP ROTC HONORS FOR WEEK LISTED

Pvt. Larry Dagenhart, Sgt. Ralph Huband Named Distinguished Cadets

By ROBERT MILLER Pvt. Larry Dagenhart and Sgt. Ralph Huband of companies A and C respectively, won top ROTC honors yesterday afternoon as they were made first and second-third year distinguished cadets of the New Hanover High school battalion for the week of April 14-18, it was announced by Sgt. Cary Durden, a member of the staff.

The best company for the week of April 14-18 will be graded on Friday mornings parade and inspection. The honor company will be awarded a streamer at Monday morning formation which will be the company's guidon staff.

The company commander and company sponsor will be honored by wearing the fourragere, a shoulder cord.

Pvt. Dagenhart and Sgt. Huband will be awarded the fourragere at Monday morning on the 13th and Ann parade field.

Pvt. Dagenhart, a sophomore at the local high school, has obtained the highest cadet ROTC honor by winning distinguished cadet rating of the battalion eight weeks and

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Assets Plan

Soviet Minister T. Urit-ed States C Offer

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Foreign Minister T. Urit-ed States C Offer

At the suggestion of British Foreign Secretary Bevin the ministers agreed to meet twice daily in order to speed the end of the conference. "If we have two meetings we might be able to get out of here," Bevin said.

Molotov went through a definition of German assets offered by Marshall paragraph by paragraph, rejecting and criticizing in turn.

The Marshall formula which had been accepted by France and Britain as a basis for discussion, retained the main United States stand that property acquired by the Germans under "force or duress" should not be considered assets subject to seizure by the allies.

Will Not Exist Marshall made it clear he would not insist upon the exact words "force or duress," but said there should be no disagreement as to the propriety of excluding from seizable German assets forced transfers by coercion.

Marshall told Molotov he felt the United States proposal was "a reasonable compromise," but that he had the impression from Molotov's reply that "we are farther apart than ever."

"Mr. Molotov seems to be saying there should be no free and independent Austria," Marshall added. "If Mr. Molotov's proposal

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RAILROAD GROUP TO END SESSION

Final Meeting Of Treasury Division, AAR To Be Held This Morning

Treasury officials of many of America's leading railroads will wind up their two-day business session of the advisory committee on American Railroads, at 11:45 a. m. today.

The final business session will get underway at 9:30 o'clock this morning in the Cape Fear club, where the group met yesterday morning for a three hour session.

Matters relative to railroad procedure were discussed during the meeting, according to E. R. Hurst, Philadelphia, chairman of the advisory committee and representative of the Pennsylvania Railroad company.

Hurst presided at the business session and E. R. Ford, of Washington, treasury division of A. A. R., is secretary of the group.

Following the business session the group was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Hargrove Bellamy at their residence at 1417 Market street, after which they returned to the Cape Fear club for lunch.

Four Gardens The ladies, accompanying the committee members here for the conference, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. P. Nichols at a luncheon in the Nichols' home at 102 North 15th street.

Yesterday afternoon the visitors were taken on a tour of the area which included a visit to Greenfield lake, Airie gardens, and Wrightsville beach.

Last night the group was entertained at a supper held in the Cape Fear club.

Immediately following today's business session, the visitors will travel by auto to Orton plantation where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence Sprunt at a barbecue.

The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company through its treasurer, P. Nichols, is serving as official host to the regular business session of the A. A. R. group.

Those Attending In attendance at yesterday's session in addition to Hurst, Ford and Nichols were: E. H. Bunnell, vice-president, A. A. R., Washington, D. C.; J. A. Simpson, secretary, Pacific Railroad, New York, N. Y.; P. A. Lyon, secretary,

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WHOLESALE ARREST OF TELEPHONE WORKERS FOLLOWS COURT DECISION; MONSANTO PLANT GIVES UP BODIES

Rescue Crews Dig Out Dead

Texas City Known Casualty Toll Now 59; 307 Listed As Missing

TEXAS CITY, Tex., April 18.—(AP)—The smoking ruins of the Monsanto Chemical plant yielded 26 more dead today and asbestos clad rescue workers said 75 to 100 bodies were lying in the area where explosions and fires in this Gulf port city have killed an estimated 650 persons and injured 3,000.

The known dead rose to at least 300. The Houston Post quoted an American Red Cross official at Texas City, saying that 549 persons are known to have lost their lives.

The Houston Chronicle said a total of 50 bodies had been recovered in the area by mid-afternoon and that the company's office building still is too dangerous to be probed.

Eleven fires still raged around the city where a series of blasts were set off by an explosion aboard the French ship Grand Camp Wednesday morning. Two new blasts broke out today.

John H. Wallace, Boston, Mass., seaman, and Gordon Penzo, Houston, among the first to enter the restricted Monsanto area, said "about 75 to 100 bodies" are lying in the area.

Their report did not cover the office building. At Galveston, 11 miles away, a Coast guard board of investigation began its hearing into the cause of the explosion on the Grand Camp.

The first witness, Samuel F. Muecke, deputy collector of customs at Galveston, testified that the Grand Camp carried 16 cases of small ammunition destined for Venezuela.

Later, however, William T. Butler, technical advisor and an expert on dangerous cargo shipments, said such ammunition was not considered dangerous cargo although nitrate, which also was being loaded, was dangerous.

Earlier today rumors circulated here that several victims had been found alive in the ruins of the multi-million dollar Monsanto plant.

The Chronicle quoted H. N. Sanborn, (Continued on Page Two; Col. 4)

CLUB TO SPONSOR MODEL PLANE RUN

Event Scheduled By Sunday By Exchanges; E. R. Wilson Elevated

E. R. Wilson has been named second vice president of the Wilmington Exchange club to succeed Oscar Simpson, who has moved to Lumberton. The announcement of Wilson's selection by the board of control was made during yesterday's luncheon session of the club.

With J. M. Snow, president, presiding, the club heard several announcements. Dr. R. T. Ronner said that a special ladies night program has been arranged for April 30 at the Famous club. Dress for the occasion will be optional, he added.

Dwight McEwin announced that a model plane meet has been scheduled for 10:30 a. m. Sunday at the thirtieth and Ann streets field.

More than 50 planes have been entered in the event and an extensive prize list is being offered.

William G. Robertson entertained the club with a humorous talk and then led the members in a song during the meeting.

Along The Cape Fear

FT. FISHER NOTE — Not so long ago Along the Cape Fear told a little of the history of a poem which was read at the dedication program of the Ft. Fisher monument.

There was an oversight on our part for which we are deeply sorry. Space would not permit us to carry all of the valuable material that was placed at our disposal by Mrs. E. L. Robbins, recording secretary, Cape Fear chapter, No. 8, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Previously we told of the poem, "Fort Fisher," rendered by Mrs. Margaret Davis Bragg during the ceremonies in 1926. But here are a few historical highlights that we did not include.

GOLDEN JUBILEE — Upon the occasion of the Golden Jubilee convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy at the Welcome banquet last October 8, Mrs. Bragg, president of the Cape Fear chapter, again read "Fort Fisher" prior to cutting the five-tiered anniversary cake.

The cake was cut with the historic sword which Major James Reilly surrendered at the fall of Ft. Fisher. Major Reilly had rallied the



BOARD OF DIRECTORS of Insurance Firm meet—Pictured above are members of the board of directors of the Carolina Insurance company who met following the annual session of the firm's stockholders at noon yesterday.

NOTED PHYSICIANS MAY SPEAK HERE

Medical Society Extends Invitations For August 22, Special Meeting

The New Hanover Medical Society has announced the appointment of five committees on arrangements for the special meeting of the Society, which is scheduled to be held at Wrightsville Beach, August 22.

Dr. J. Watts Farthing, chairman of the publicity committee said last night that five prominent doctors, who are rated as tops in their respective fields, will address the meeting. Over 400 physicians of North Carolina have been invited to attend.

Included on the agenda for the day-long meeting will be a morning and afternoon business meeting and a banquet. The visiting doctors will be the guests of the local Medical Society. Arrangements will be made for outside fishing trips for the day following the meeting.

Dr. Farthing said he would announce the speakers as soon as they accept the invitations. It is understood that invitations have been sent to the leading physicians of John Hopkins Hospital, Mayo Clinic, Crile Clinic, Harvard University and the University of Pennsylvania.

Committees Named The following committees will have charge of the meeting: Program: Dr. Robert M. Fales, Chairman; Dr. D. R. Murchinson, Dr. D. R. McEachern and Dr. William S. Doshier.

Entertainment: Dr. Donald Koonce, Chairman and Dr. R. Bryant Hare, Jr. Publicity: Dr. J. Watts Farthing, Chairman; Dr. J. Watts Farthing, Chairman; Dr. J. Watts Farthing.

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COL. GILLETTE LAUDS PORT OF WILMINGTON IN WATERWAYS SPEECH

The role that the Port of Wilmington played in the defense of the nation was outlined by Col. George W. Gillette, division engineer, of the South Atlantic division, during an address yesterday before the Florida Waterway congress, meeting at Mount Dora, Fla.

The entire south Atlantic coast has a potential treasure in the form of waterways, according to Colonel Gillette, a former district engineer who was stationed here.

Gen. R. A. Wheeler, also a former district engineer here, was also scheduled to address the conference yesterday.

PAGE IRVING BERLIN AS THIS MAY RECALL HIS WORLD WAR SONG

CLEMSON, S. C., April 18.—(AP)—Two members of Clemson college's R.O.T.C. Drum and Bugle corps were slightly injured when struck by articles thrown from windows as they made their 6:20 a. m. rounds making the Cadet corps today.

Col. A. J. Thackston, Jr., commandant, was investigating the incident when this note showed up: "We wish to request that all unnecessary and loud commotion in the R.O.T.C. unit before reveille and breakfast be taken to Bowman field or suspended."

It was signed, "several sleep members of the Veteran corps," a group not subject to military regulation.

ARMY ADVISORY GROUP ORGANIZES

Commanding Officer Of N. C. Military District Addresses Meeting

The Army Advisory Committee of Wilmington held their first meeting yesterday afternoon in the office of Bishop Thomas H. Wright, it was announced by Archie B. Johnston, coast artillery instructor.

The advisory committee is composed of leaders from the various civic clubs in this city and it's purpose is to form a liaison between the civilians and the soldiers.

Colonel McLaughlin, commanding officer of the North Carolina Military District, was the principal speaker of the evening.

"The fostering of better relations between the military and civilian personnel of this area is the main purpose of this committee," said McLaughlin, "and the army is a civilian army."

"It is your army and no one else," he said.

MAN ARRESTED ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Chinese-Hawaiian Jailed For Attempted Attack On White Woman

William P. Kamalu, 23-year-old Chinese-Hawaiian, was being held in the New Hanover county jail last night on charges of attempted criminal assault on a 22-year-old white married woman of the Skipper's corner section of Castle Hayne.

Sheriff F. Porter Davis, making his first arrest since he was appointed sheriff Monday, said he received the call at 7 o'clock last night. The Sheriff said he believed that Kamalu is AWOL from the U. S. Army. Papers found in his pockets disclosed he was a member of the 57th Field Artillery at

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CHURCHILL HITS WALLACE TALKS

Former Premier Labels American As "Crypto Communist" In Speech

LONDON, April 18.—(AP)—Winston Churchill sharply attacked Henry A. Wallace in a public speech today, classing him as a "Crypto Communist" and declaring he was trying "to separate Great Britain from the United States and to weave her into a vast system of Communist intrigue which radiates from Moscow."

In Stockholm Wallace said he had no immediate comment on Churchill's statements.

The former British prime minister defined a "Crypto Communist" as "one who has not got the courage to explain the destination for which he is making."

Crypto is derived from a Greek word meaning "hidden." Addressing a rally of 10,000

TEXAS CITY FIRE LADDIES GO WEST

Wednesday's Disaster Kills Most Of Personnel, All Equipment

TEXAS CITY, Tex., April 18.—(AP)—The Texas City volunteer fire department had 47 members today it has 20 members.

On Wednesday 27 members responded to the alarm of fire aboard the French freighter Grand Camp, tied up at the dock of the Monsanto Chemical company.

Not one of those 27 survived the blast which disintegrated the ship and set off a chain of explosions which wrecked this port.

The department had four pieces of equipment. Today it has none. The wreckage of two fire trucks was found today. There wasn't even a red wheel or a bell to indicate the other two had ever existed.

The department's casualties included its chief, H. J. Baumgartner, the First Assistant Chief, Joe M. Braddy, and the two captains, S. B. Numez and Capt. W. G. Johnson.

Acting Chief Fred Dowdy, the second assistant chief, was out of town on Wednesday. Today he was named acting chief.

Five of the 20 survivors worked silently today around the almost new tank fire house, fronted by a neatly clipped lawn. They were replacing the window glass. One piece of equipment was a inside. It was a pumper truck loaned from Ellington Field, Houston.

The men were stunned by the tragedy. They didn't want to talk about it.

A. W. Williams, fire marshal, said that as soon as the debris was cleared away there was going to be a memorial service for the firemen who lost their lives in the line of duty.

Writer Charges Chaplin With Praising Mussolini

NEW YORK, April 18.—(AP)—Screen writer Konrad Bercovici testified today in his suit against actor-producer Charles Chaplin that the British-born film star 10 years ago praised dictatorships and lauded the rise of Hitler and Mussolini.

Bercovici, who is suing Chaplin for \$5,000,000 for the movie comedian's alleged breach of an oral agreement to collaborate with him in producing the film, "The Great Dictator," told a federal court judge and jury that Chaplin's praise of dictators was in 1937 during early discussion between the two.

Concerning the alleged agreement, Bercovici described numerous telegrams he said he sent Chaplin and purported conversations with the actor, but did not give specific details relating to the agreement.

Scores Taken Before Judge

Southern Bell Company Gets Injunction Barring Picketing By Union

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 18.—(AP)—A Circuit court judge today issued a state-wide no-picketing order against striking telephone workers and sheriff's deputies tonight began to enforce it with wholesale arrests.

The deputies seized 20 union members about two hours after the injunction was read to pickets and a copy posted on the wall of the local telephone building. A little later a new line of pickets formed. They, too, were hustled to the county courthouse to face Circuit Judge Bryan W. Simpson, who issued the restraining order on a complaint of the telephone company that one of its managers had been manhandled and other violence committed.

The pickets were charged with contempt of the court order.

Protesting that the arrests were unjustified, union spokesmen said they intended to maintain the picket line as long as their members held out. A written statement from union headquarters asserted "there has been no violence" and the "law guarantees peaceful picketing."

Named in the injunction were the Southern Federation of Telephone workers, two national unions of telephone workers and C. K. Standen, SFTW state director.

Injunction Terms The injunction said that "unless the processes of this court are used to intervene, there is likelihood of violence, bloodshed and civil commotion."

Florida Dooly, Southern Bell Florida manager who applied for the injunction, said George Kinman, Jacksonville manager, was a "physically roughed up by some 10 or 12 pickets" as he attempted to enter the main exchange building this morning.

The bill of complaint also said that some 600 of the company's wires were cut at Miami April 9, that workers were coerced at Fernandina, physically intimidated at Lake City, and "unlawful activities" occurred at Jacksonville Beach, Waldo and Homestead.

UNION TACTICALLY HELPS FOR TRUMAN HELP WASHINGTON, April 18.—(AP)—Tactically bidding for a White House intervention in the 12-day national telephone tie-up, strike leader Joseph A. Beirne announced today that he is laying all the facts of

VHF RADIO RANGE TO OPERATE SOON

Boyd Tells Chamber Air Committee That Equipment Now In Place Here

The very high frequency radio range for Wilmington and the surrounding area is scheduled to be in full operating condition by the last of May or the first of June, the air committee of the local Chamber of Commerce was advised at a meeting in the Woodrow Wilson hut yesterday afternoon.

Henry E. Boyd, Jr., acting manager of Blumenthal airfield, told the committee that range equipment is fully installed here and that it would be in operation on a full time basis starting April 22.

He explained, however that all stations, along the coast must be first checked before the operation of the range could be considered complete and estimated that the check would be ended around the last of May.

Yesterday's meeting was called to discuss the recent Civil Aeronautics Board decision in awarding a certificate to Piedmont Airlines to operate two feeder lines in five southeastern states and is effect on Wilmington.

No decision was taken by the air committee pending the outcome of a visit to Washington by Col. Henry E. Boyd, traffic manager of the Wilmington Port Traffic Association, who is slated to contact CAB officials in reference to the present route situation.

R. E. Page, chairman of the committee, presided at the session.

And So To Bed

"Love triumphs again" is the cherry greeting the Star's courthouse reporter receives from an assistant in the clerk of court's office when no divorce suit has been placed on file that day.

Whereas on days when marital difficulties lead to divorce action being filed the salutation is changed to "They've done it again."