

Wilmington and vicinity: Partly cloudy with little change in temperature today and Wednesday.

## UN Delegates End Deadlock

### Committee Votes To Avoid Mention Of Palestine Independence In Order

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., May 12.—United Nations delegates, breaking a five-day stalemate, voted today to avoid any mention of Palestine independence in the instructions for its special commission to investigate the Palestine problem.

The decision, taken by a vote of 29 to 14, ended a Soviet-American conflict over the time when Palestine should be freed.

The dispute reached a show-down when Russia sought to instruct the still-to-be appointed UN investigating commission to recommend that Palestine be freed "without delay." The United States sought to have the commission merely consider "guarantees of the rights necessary to the peace and independence of its (Palestine's) peoples."

Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko, facing defeat on his original proposals, submitted a last-minute compromise based on the U. S. draft today, but when the United States objected, France moved that the whole subject of independence be eliminated from the instructions that will go to the commission of inquiry.

The United States and Great Britain voted with the majority to kill the reference to independence. Voting against the move were Russia and the Arab countries, who have demanded independence for Palestine now. Immediate independence would leave the Arabs in control of the Holy Land.

The decision of the UN delegates, sitting as the UN Political Committee, thus left it up to the investigating commission itself to decide whether it should recommend:

1. The size and composition of the family group to be housed requires four or more dwellings; 2. The applicant requires additional floor space in his residence, for the practice of his business or profession, and

3. The applicant purchased a lot subject to deed restrictions in excess of 1,500 square feet and made the purchase at a time when no regulations were in effect that would have prevented him from proceeding with construction.

Either veteran or non-veteran applicants building for their own occupancy may build houses with maximum floor area if they meet these requirements, the expediently 1,000 reserve officers. Contractors not building for owner occupancy are not exempted from the 1,500 square feet maximum.

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The Wilmington chapter, playing host to the state meet, will place emphasis on the banquet scheduled for 7 p. m. Saturday, May 24. Secretary Royal and Gen. Denvers have been invited to address the gathering. Brigadier General E. A. Evans, Washington, executive director of the ROTC, also will speak.

A reception and cocktail party, will precede the banquet. Business sessions will be conducted on the mornings of both May 24 and 25 when arrangements will be completed to send a large delegation to the national meeting armed with resolutions calling for attention to be focussed on North

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**SAMUEL HYDER** (above), 47, found out you can't laugh in public in Fayetteville, R. I., especially when the laughter disturbs the public. Hyder was fined \$2 and costs by Judge William M. Connell, a fellow roomer with Hyder at the Y.M.C.A. (AP Wirephoto).

## UNCLE SAM EASES NEW HOMES RULES

### Maximum Floor Space Raised Under Certain Circumstances

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—The government eased its building restrictions today to permit construction of homes with a maximum of 2,000 square feet of floor space, under certain circumstances. This is 500 square feet more than previously authorized for new dwellings.

The new rules, ordered by the Federal Housing Administration at the request of Housing Expediter Frank R. Creedon, will apply when:

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## Turkey To Use U.S. Cash For Military

### President General Ismet Inonu Declares Nation Will Seek Loan From International Bank For Economic Plans

BY VIRGIL M. PINKLEY United Press Vice President For Europe

ANKARA, May 12.—(AP)—President Gen. Ismet Inonu of Turkey announced today that Turkey will use the \$100,000,000 American loan for military purposes and will seek a loan from the International bank for economic development. Inonu stated in a telegraphic interview that Turkey was unwilling to discuss granting any outside power a base in the Dardanelles or any other question of Turkish territorial integrity or sovereignty.

He also expressed Turkey's desire to strengthen Turkish cooperation with Greece and cordial relations with all countries of the Arab league.

## \$250,000 To \$500,000 In Equipment For RONS

### Lieutenant Commander De Fay Announces Setup For Armory Here

Between \$250,000 and \$500,000 worth of training equipment is being sent to the local Naval Reserve unit for use in its new armory at the North Carolina Ship Building company. Lieutenant Commander T. G. De Fay, assistant director of training for the Sixth Naval district, said yesterday.

Cmdr. De Fay, in Wilmington on a three-week inspection tour of all naval reserve units in the district, praised the work of the local unit, organized surface division 6-23, for raising its full complement of 16 officers and 208 men and for providing such an active program.

"Wilmington's unit has done a wonderful job," said De Fay, "and I'm sure it will be even better when the armory is completed and ready for use."

TO ASK BIDS He said that ads for the contract for the armory will be published inside of two weeks. The work on the building, formerly an apprentices' dormitory at the shipyard, will consist mainly of changing partitions and hallways, generally overhauling the building.

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## PROFESSOR SEEKS \$14,000 SALARY

### Suit Growing Out Of Meadows Conviction Filed In Pitt County

RALEIGH, May 12.—(AP)—A suit against the board of trustees of East Carolina Teachers college growing out of the trial and conviction nearly two years ago of the institution's president, Dr. Leon R. Meadows, has been filed in Pitt Superior court, it was revealed here today.

The suit was brought by Dr. E. L. Henderson, an ECTC professor who asserts that he was discharged by the board during the controversy over the charges against Dr. Meadows. Dr. Henderson is seeking to recover \$14,000 in back salary for the years 1944-45, 1946-47 and 1948-49.

Issued In Wake A complaint in the case was issued through Wake Superior court to Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, who is chairman of the ECTC board.

Henderson was one of three ECTC faculty members who were fired by the ECTC board after it had exonerated Dr. Meadows on charges that he had failed to account for college funds.

Although exonerated by the board, Dr. Meadows was convicted in court of embezzlement and false pretense and is now serving a three-year term which he is scheduled to complete on July 28.

1948 Site Chosen He said he regretted that there had not been time to make living accommodations in North Carolina for the hundreds of doctors attending the convention in this Virginia resort city, but said a

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# Court Ruling Gives South Lower Freight Rate Basis; Labor Bill Vote Set Today

## Senate Ready To Call Roll

### Debate On Highly Controversial Measure Will End At 11:30 A. M., SST

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—Senate Republican leaders today won an agreement for a final vote tomorrow on labor disputes legislation.

The agreement, reached on the twelfth day of sharp give-and-take over proposed checks on strikes and union practices, calls for an end of debate at 12:30 p. m. (11:30 a. m. EST).

At that hour the Senate will start balloting on any pending amendments, including a motion by 11 Democrats to substitute a milder bill for the one backed by Senator Taft (Ohio), chairman of the Republican Policy committee and of the Labor committee.

Sponsors of the substitute, designed to meet President Truman's recommendations on labor legislation, concede it will be defeated.

"We're licked," Senator Elbert Thomas (Utah), one of the authors, told a reporter, "We know that, but we do feel we should be on the record with the kind of labor bill we favor."

Outs Closed Shop The Taft bill, up after the substitute, would outlaw the closed shop, under which employers can hire only union members. It also provides, among other things, for a new federal mediation agency; authorizes the government to seek injunctions against "national emergency" strikes, makes unions liable for unfair labor practices and subject to suit for violation of contract, and outlaws union-controlled health and welfare funds.

The bill already approved by the House goes further. For example, it outlaws industry-wide collective bargaining in nearly all instances and scraps the National Relations board in favor of a new labor-management board.

Several Democrats in Congress have predicted that President Truman will veto whatever final version comes out of a House-Senate conference.

The agreement to vote interrupted a speech by Senator

## \$3,600 CUT FROM AIRPORT PAYROLL

### Acting Manager Reports Reduction In Personal; South East To Pay

A reduction of \$3,600 in the annual payroll of the Blumenthal airport was disclosed in the monthly report of activities at the field, released yesterday by Henry E. Boyd, Jr., acting manager.

Boyd reported that the personnel was reduced by one office clerk and one carpenter mechanic, and was organized "into a more effective working unit."

The field received information from South East Airlines, which suspended operations here in April, and was reportedly in arrears in payment of office rent at Blumenthal, that all obligations would be met.

The report also indicated E. G. Barringer, of National Airlines, had scheduled a visit here in May to discuss contract negotiations with the Airport committee.

At the same time Harry Gardner, chairman of the county airport committee, indicated in a statement that the committee was willing to listen to any proposal for the leasing of Blumenthal airport from New Hanover county.

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## Lt. Gen. Whitehead "Scorns" Soviet Rumors On Fliers

### Along The Cape Fear

SWEET STORY — There's a story elsewhere on this page this morning which may sound "scary" to some. It is a story about a sugar-laden vessel here today and reports the arrival of one yesterday. If these were the only vessels arriving on eastern seaboard ports with the Cuban commodity, their cargo would be only a drop in the proverbial bucket.

OTHER SHIPS—Last week The Star carried a story detailing the arrival of ships in New York. The story told how "sales" had been conducted there to free overcrowded warehouses in order that the boats might unload.

Because of this abundance of sugar from the Cuban growers, rationing should soon end. How

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THREE BABIES BOUND FOR EUROPE are weighed in at La Guardia field in New York before their mothers took them aboard an airliner bound for Berlin. They are left to right: H. M. Beutell, Jr., son of Mrs. Mary Jane Beutell of Atlanta; Judy Cherry, five-month-old daughter of Mrs. Charles Cherry, of Hayesville, N. C.; and four-month-old Aileen Heoz, daughter of Mrs. George Heoz, of Baltimore. The babies and their mothers are en route to join their fathers and husbands who are with the armed forces in Germany. (AP Wirephoto).

## State Completes Case Against Jack Batson

### "PROTECTION" Request For Postponement Denied By Williams; Adams Sentenced

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—The House passed a bill today to cut down the chances of the missus' putting rat poison in pappy's biscuits by mistake.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

## PHONE INDUSTRY NEARER TO PEACE

### Settlements Announced In Several Cities; Western Electric Out

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—Additional local strike settlements spelled a partial return to peace in the telephone industry tonight but in several key spots the 36-day-old dispute found negotiations still snarled.

The Western Electric Employees association appealed to the government to step into its deadlock with the Western Electric Co. Henry Mayer, union attorney, said that "The workers want to get back on the job."

Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson conferred all afternoon with Western Electric representatives after the company rejected a union proposal to arbitrate all issues.

"Apparently Gibson got nowhere," Mayer told newsmen, "because at 4:15 p. m. the company repeated its refusal of arbitration."

Gibson replied "no comment" when asked whether the government would offer a new settlement formula as requested by the union.

The Western Electric dispute is of paramount importance in the national picture because the union, representing 22,000 workers in 21 plants, has prevailed on other Bell system workers not to return to

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## "LIVE" DOLL INJURED WHEN CHILDREN DROP HER ON CITY STREET

PORTLAND, ORE., May 12.—(AP)—Two-month-old Patricia Sullivan lay in a hospital with serious head injuries today because two small neighborhood children had thought she was a doll.

Mack Smith, who rushed the infant to a hospital, said he noticed two girls—one 3 years old, the other 4—playing with a bundle on a suburban street yesterday. They dropped the bundle several times.

Suddenly the bundle cried. Smith ran over, found a wailing baby in the covers. He said the little girls told him they had found the baby sunning in her buggy before a nearby house, though the was a "play doll" and borrowed her.

Hospital attendants said the infant's cranium bones had separated from the tumbles onto the pavement. The child is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sullivan.

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## High Tribunal Upholds ICC

### Seven To Two Decision Ends Discriminatory Structure

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—The South won a fight for lower rail freight rates today in the Supreme court.

A 7-2 decision upheld an interstate Commerce commission order for a 10 percent increase in certain rates in the Northeast-North of the Potomac and Ohio rivers and East of the Mississippi—and a 10 percent decrease in the South and in Western areas between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains.

Southern industrialists and political leaders, notably former Gov. Ellis Arnall of Georgia, had led the battle for the lower rates to aid Southern industry, contending their section and the West were discriminated against.

Officials of Northeastern states and 33 railroads had attacked the proposed rate change as arbitrary, unsupported by facts and a reversal of long-standing practice.

The opponents of the rate change now have 25 days to seek a rehearing from the court. If it is denied, the ICC can order the new rates into effect. It made its findings in May, 1945.

They involve only the so-called "class rates," applying to the various classes of manufactured products such as clothing. These constitute about four percent of all rail traffic and yield about six percent of the railroads' freight revenue. The order does not apply to "commodity rates" covering raw materials such as coal, or to

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## DEVOLL KILLING REMAINS MYSTERY

### Clues Run To Dead End, Brunswick Officers Admit; No Arrests

SPECIAL TO THE STAR SOUTHWEST, May 12.—The mysterious death of Sgt. David J. Devoll, 25-year-old member of the U. S. air force, stationed at the Myrtle Beach airport, whose body was found in his automobile Friday afternoon, remains unsolved, attaches at the Brunswick county sheriff's office said late tonight.

Although the Brunswick officers have tracked down many clues in the fatal shotgun slaying of the soldier, none have proved fruitful. Deputy Sheriff E. V. Leonard, of Brunswick county, said tonight that no new clues have been uncovered and that no arrests have been made.

Ruled Out The theory of robbery has been ruled out in the case as "2 was found in the pockets of the slain man. It has been reported that particles of red dust found on the dead man's shoes and a similar dust found at a place in South Carolina have been forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation laboratory in Washington.

Photographs and finger prints taken at the scene, about one and a half miles from the South Carolina line, by Harry E. Fales, head of the New Hanover County Bureau of Identification, have also been sent to the FBI for study.

Two special investigators from the air base at Myrtle Beach have been assigned to the case, but both have declined to divulge what progress has been made.

Officer's Theory Brunswick county officers are of the opinion that Devoll was killed in South Carolina and the body placed in Devoll's car and driven to the spot where it was found by an unidentified woman Friday, shortly before noon.

Pine needles and straw were found on the clothing of the Army sergeant and little blood was found in his car, a 1937 Dodge sedan. It was evident that the slain man did not struggle with anyone prior to his death. His clothing was not disarranged, the officers said.

Mrs. Levie White Devoll was preparing today to attend the funeral services of her husband at North Bend, Ohio.

## And So To Bed

The hard one of a bus driver is a hard one, but the driver of a shipyard run suffers no end.

Last night as he approached the intersection of Southern Boulevard and the Carolina Beach road he remarked, "I hope something can be done about either lowering the fence or raising the score board over there." He pointed to the Legion Stadium where the Pirates were locked in battle with the Dunn-Erwin Twins.

"I'd like this," the driver pointed out, "I love baseball, and if it could be arranged so I could see the scoreboard every trip I make, then I will be happy, since I have to work and can't see the actual game."

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## The Weather

FORECAST: South Carolina—Partly cloudy and no important temperature changes Tuesday and Wednesday. Scattered showers in West portion Wednesday.

North Carolina—Partly cloudy and no important temperature changes Tuesday and Wednesday. Scattered showers in West portion and in mountains Tuesday night.

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

TEMPERATURES 1:30 a. m. 51; 7:30 a. m. 55; 1:30 p. m. 61; 7:30 p. m. 67; Maximum 76; Minimum 48; Mean 62; Normal 76.

HUMIDITY 1:30 a. m. 97; 7:30 a. m. 80; 1:30 p. m. 69; 7:30 p. m. 62.

PRECIPITATION Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. .00 inches. Total since the first of the month .06 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY (From Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.)

Wilmington 3:31 a. m. 11:02 a. m. 6:43 p. m. 11:37 p. m. 1:04 a. m. 7:42 p. m. 1:35 p. m. 7:49 p. m. Sunrise 5:12; Sunset 7:05; Moonset 1:27; Moonrise 12:50. River stage at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a. m. Monday 10.6 feet.