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Rent Control Up To Truman

Senate Passes Measure Allowing 15 Per Cent Hikes If Agreed Upon

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—The bill continuing rent control through next February, but permitting landlords to raise rents 15 percent where tenants agree in writing for a lease, was passed by the Senate today on a voice vote. The bill was introduced in the House by the White House. It is now in conference with the House. The bill, which would extend the present law until Jan. 31, 1948, would allow landlords to raise rents 15 percent where tenants agree in writing for a lease. The bill also would allow landlords to raise rents 15 percent where tenants agree in writing for a lease. The bill also would allow landlords to raise rents 15 percent where tenants agree in writing for a lease.

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LIVE WIRE KILLS SHELBY OFFICIAL

City Engineer Electrocuted When Storm Blows Radio Antenna Down

SHELBY, June 19 (AP)—A severe wind and electric storm here today resulted in estimated property damage and the death of City Electrician Barney J. Fowler, 54.

Fowler, a city employe for the past 15 years, died instantly after touching a wire carrying 2,300 volts of electricity which had been blown to the ground. Heaviest property damage came when the wind toppled the 304-foot tower of the radio station WOFB at 2:55 p. m. Service at the station was immediately disrupted and the station remained off the air tonight.

The Weather

FORECAST:
North Carolina—Considerable cloudiness with occasional showers Friday and Friday night, little change in temperature. Saturday partly cloudy and warmer with scattered thundershowers. Sunday and Monday—Considerable cloudiness with scattered thundershowers. Tuesday—Partly cloudy and warmer with scattered thundershowers.

Veto Of Labor Bill Sure, Official Says

White House Declares President Concludes Taft-Hartley is "Bad Piece Of Legislation"

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—A White House official said tonight President Truman is completing a message vetoing the Taft-Hartley labor bill.

This official, who declined to allow use of his name for publication, said the President has reached the conclusion that the bill as drafted "is a bad piece of legislation."

Mr. Truman's message will be sent to Congress about noon tomorrow. Republican leaders in both the House and Senate say they have sufficient votes to enact the bill over a veto.

Hundreds Leave Homes As Mississippi Rises

Evacuation Of Sny Levee District Ordered By Area Official

QUINCY, Ill., June 19 (AP)—Lowland residents began moving out South of here tonight as the swollen Mississippi river continued to rise steadily with record crest predicted for the end of the week.

RECORD RAINFALL

LAKE CHARLES, La., June 19 (AP)—The heaviest six-hour rainfall ever recorded in the United States flooded low sections of Lake Charles today and drove a number of residents from their homes.

The rainfall totaled 15 1/2 inches from 8:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. The U. S. Weather bureau office in New Orleans said this was a national record.

U. S. RECAPTURES AIR SPEED TITLE

Lockheed Shooting Star Wrests Honor From British After 24 Years

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—The United States recaptured the world airplane speed record today after 24 years of trying.

Pan American Airways Constellation Wrecks In Upper Euphrates

ISTANBUL, Turkey, June 19— (AP)—A four-engined Pan American 36 Constellation crashed in the upper Euphrates river valley early today, apparently while trying to make an emergency landing.

MOB OF COMMUNISTS ATTACK PRIEST WITH STICKS IN COLLEGE

TRISTE, June 19 (AP)—Msr. Antonio Santin, Roman Catholic bishop of Capodistria and Trieste, was attacked by a mob today when he went to Capodistria for religious services and was so badly mauled that he was ordered to remain in bed by his physicians.

Maritime Unions Ratify Five Per Cent Pay Hike;

VFW To Act On Protest

NEW YORK, June 19 (AP)—Key New York locals of three CIO maritime unions voted late today to ratify the 5 per cent wage hike announced in the four-day shipping tieup on the East and Gulf coasts.

Little Trial Probe Urged

Wire From Wilmington Post Prompts Demand For Action

By FRANK VAN DER LINDEN
Morning Star Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, June 19—In response to a protest from its Wilmington, N. C. chapter, the Veterans of Foreign Wars will demand a congressional investigation of the secret navy court martial which acquitted Lt. Comdr. Edward N. Little, USN, of all charges concerning alleged complicity in mistreatment of fellow Americans in Japanese prison camps, a national VFW official said today.

Wilmington Accountant To Testify Before House Committee Today

'ABBIE AND SLATS'

Because the Post Office was able to give faster service than first anticipated, the comic strip "Abbie and Slats" is appearing today on Page 14 in your favorite morning newspaper.

GEN. EISENHOWER WILL NOT RESIGN

Chief Of Staff Not To Leave Duties This Year, War Department Says

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said today he had been approached to accept the presidency of Columbia university of New York, but announced that he has no intention of quitting as Army chief of staff this year.

WOMAN EDUCATOR FOUND MURDERED

BOULDER, Colo., June 19 (AP)— Emily Griffith, 68, founder of the Emily Griffith Opportunity school at Denver, and her sister, Florence Griffith, 67, were found shot to death today in their cabin at Pinecliff, 20 miles southwest of here, Undersheriff Donald Moore reported.

Along The Cape Fear

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—By a vote of 48 to 38, the Senate today approved and sent to President Truman controversial legislation permitting higher wool tariffs. Foes contended that the bill would encourage the spread of Communism by disrupting efforts to build up world economies security.

Red Army Outnumbers U. S. Over Ten To One

MIAMI, Fla., June 19 (AP)—Lt. Gen. J. Lawton Collins, in calling for a program of universal training and unification of the Army and Navy, declared here today "Russia is capable of putting 200 divisions in the field" compared with the "ten divisions in the whole U. S. Army."

And So To Bed

A local man went into the bus station yesterday to purchase his afternoon copy of the Wilmington News and as usual he took the top paper off the stack and left his nickel.

Strikers May Return Today

Operators On East, Gulf Coasts Expected To Accept Contract Terms

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—The three unions affected by the settlement with 33 operators reached in the early morning hours today are the National Maritime Union, American Communications Association and Marine Engineers Beneficial Association.

Lowrimore Brief Favors Joint Income Tax Return

Representatives From Five Producing States Open Raleigh Session

RALEIGH, June 19 (AP)—Production and marketing administration representatives from five flue-cured tobacco-producing states today opened two-day sessions at N. C. State college to study tobacco marketing prospects for the coming season.

STUDENT NURSES TO VIE FOR TOGA

Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1947, who will be selected from the nine most beautiful and best-all-round student nurses in North Carolina, representing the different nursing districts of the state will receive a free week at Wrightsville Beach as the guest of the Southeastern North Carolina Beach association.

Nicaragua Cut Off Diplomatically In Western Hemisphere

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—Nicaragua was cut off from diplomatic contact with most of the Western hemisphere today when the United States joined the other 21 American republics in refusing to recognize the new government there.

Timber Mills

TURPENTINE INDUSTRY—Recent talk and newspaper stories on the turpentine industry in this section of North Carolina give rise to the possibility of a revival of the industry. But it is extremely doubtful, if Wilmington ever again will see the industry at near the level that old timers can recall.

Along The Cape Fear

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP)—The United States consulted informally with other Western hemisphere nations before deciding to withhold recognition of the regime set up by Gen. Anastasio Somoza in an overnight revolt several weeks ago, a State department official said.

VHI Plans Improvement To Lake Forest Holding

Improvements on grounds at Lake Forest and to the 584 masonry units located there will be made if the application of Veterans Homes, Inc., for an increase of more than \$40,000 in the VHI budget is granted by the Atlanta office of Federal Public housing authority.

Oldest Mill

On the river front between Castle and Queen streets stood the Northrop Mill. At the southern end of the city was the Kidder Mill. That was the oldest of them all.