

SUPERFORTS MAKE

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planes, escorted by 24 P-80 jet fighters roared low over Washington. "I couldn't take much more of this stuff," First Lt. William H. Wadding, a co-pilot, remarked as he edged his ship very close to the wing of another plane, "but its fun while it lasts."

The eighth plane, commanded by Capt. William J. Webster of Lubbock, Tex., was enroute to Washington tonight after being marooned seven hours at Anchorage. Webster had a rocky flight across the dreary North Pacific with no engine in bad condition, but at Anchorage he crawled with his ship with the Texas flag and announced: "Everybody should salute this flag."

The 29's churned up a storm of red dust in their takeoff from Yokota field, Tokyo, while peasants gaped outside the field's fences. As the planes sped eastward into the rising sun, the first night was only five hours long. The next day, white-capped peaks of the desolate Aleutian islands poked their noses above a blanket of clouds. These ominous peaks looked good to one plane, however, the ship commanded by Lt. Julian Upton. After a watered night across the Collier, Upton made a forced landing on the Island of Adak. Bad the trouble fixed, and caught up with the rest.

Fog Closes In
Weather closed in on the 29's as they throbbed over Anchorage—a fog and rain squall made it a tricky landing. They lost almost an hour since most of the planes had to come in with the ground control approach radar system and took time.

Winds were favorable, however, over the majestic, high-reaching Alaskan peaks. Pilots joked about how far they might skid if they made a forced landing on a glacier. But there wasn't too much joking by now. Everyone was tired. The 29's aren't built for comfort—the bomb bay, gun turrets, radar systems and other fighting equipment occupy all good sleeping room. You sleep on the floor if you sleep at all and if you are a radar man or navigator you don't sleep. And you eat army rations—no room in a 29 for lunch boxes. Even the water supply is short.

Over Washington, Lt. Horace C. Nichols, one of the pilots asked: "What time we going back to Fort Worth?"
"Nine A. M. tomorrow, his co-pilot replied.
"No sense in staying over," Nichols said. "I'd rather fly right on home."

COUNTY TO CHECK

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\$350 for safekeeping which the latter said that he had found on the sidewalk. Carter declared that he had asked Croom whose money it was and that Croom had said he did not know.

"I told him," related the suspended superintendent, "that it was not right to keep it. I had no intentions of keeping the money and was doing everything to find out who the owner was when the charges were filed."

Not Clear
Carter said that in addition to the \$350 given him, Croom had another \$50. However, the additional \$50 of the total of \$450 named in the warrant, was not clearly accounted for.

Upon motion of Commissioner Harry Gardner, who said it was a matter of policy, Carter was suspended. The suspension would stand pending the outcome of any court action.

Attorney Sinclair suggested that Mrs. Charles Carter operate the home. After some discussion, the commissioners agreed that Carter and his family move within the next few days.

HIGHSMITH FUNERAL SET FOR 2 O'CLCK TODAY AT ATKINSON

BURGAW, Aug. 1. — George H. Highsmith, 60-year-old well known druggist at Atkinson, died at his home Thursday morning after a long illness.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p. m. Saturday in Atkinson, N. C., Rev. P. K. Woody officiating. Interment will be in Rockfish Cemetery at Wallace. The Masonic Order of Atkinson will handle the grave-side ceremonies.

Mr. Highsmith is survived by his wife, Mrs. Isla Ward Highsmith. Two sons, George H. Jr., and Charles W. Highsmith of Atkinson. One daughter, Mrs. E. V. Linsey of Greenville, and two brothers, Dr. J. H. Highsmith of Greensboro and J. N. Highsmith of Durham. Two grandchildren also survive.

TOM HAYWOOD'S

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200 penitents and others merely curious have resorted to its soul-searching boating. Included were numerous high ranking officials, at least one governor, and residents of nearly every state in the union as well as of foreign countries.

The kicker is now wearing out his tenth belt and its sixth set of shoes.

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STATE ADVERTISING EXECUTIVES ENJOY CONVENTION DINNER

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NEW BERN, Aug. 1. — Representatives of newspapers and advertising agencies met here tonight at Trent Pines club for the opening sessions of the midsummer meeting of the Carolinas Advertising Executives association. Officers and directors had dinner together followed by an executive session of the newspaper members with C. W. Patterson, Jr., of High Point, President, presiding.

A number of short addresses are scheduled for tomorrow morning with Joseph Daniels of Raleigh as luncheon speaker. A banquet tomorrow night will conclude the programs which are all under the direction of J. L. Allegood of Wilmington. Co-chairman of local arrangements are C. A. Eury of this city and Frank Horton of Kinston.

CAPE FEAR

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quired to make a test run at full speed. The 18 knots an hour she made while en route down from Baltimore sent her nosing through a lot of water.

MET PC-776 — Two miles below Wilmington yesterday afternoon the Mendota passed the Naval Reserve PC-776 en route to Charleston, and the crews of the two ships exchanged customary amenities by standing at attention and saluting. Except for a three-day visit in February, the Mendota has been away from Wilmington for seven months.

PATROL DUTY — Based at Boston, the Mendota has been away from Wilmington all these months on ice patrol on the Grand Banks, off Labrador, where ice and current observations were made, and elsewhere in the North Atlantic.

On occasion the Coast Guard vessel would trail a wandering iceberg. With radar she would pick up the approach of any vessels in the shipping lanes and by radio warn them of the presence and floating position of the icy menaces in their paths.

Moving pictures were made of some of the iceberg movements and many photographs were made for the cutter's files by Lieutenant Hilbrandt, the photographic officer.

AWAITS ORDERS — Commander Bowerman expects that the Mendota will remain tied up here for at least a fortnight before going back on patrol schedule. It is quite likely that he will receive orders regarding a new patrol schedule next week.

Just now he is hopeful of building up the ship's complement, which normally calls for 14 men and 12 officers. Of the 90 men and 10 officers now aboard, 60 per cent of the crew are from the old cutter Modoc.

"We had smooth sailing during our ice patrol duty," Commander Bowerman said last night. "But we are glad to be back home, believe me."

ANSWERS FROM

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out of Duckabush trees. They are of extremely high pitch and the whistle is sometimes inaudible to the human ear. The end of the whistle is placed in the water and the vibrations bring the fish from near and far."

Frank F. Weber of Yorkville, Ill., volunteered this information: "You just take the long stem of the dandelion blossom, pinch one end of it until it slightly splits. Then blow through the split."

This brings fish from miles around trying to seize the blowers' hook, Weber claimed.

An anonymous correspondent said he knew the fish caller well. The only difficulty, he reported, was that fish oftentimes wrest the caller from the fisherman and then use it to call one another.

"What she really intended to ask for," wrote G. W. Kraus of Atlanta, Ga., "was a fish hook."

He said that this was a certain kind of hook found more commonly in the upper part of Florida, working out of Panama City.

"The fish hook serves any number of customers," Kraus said. "All you have to do is give him ten bucks a day. He furnishes everything—not only calls the fish but chases them right on to the hook, and all you have to do is drag them in."

SEVEN MEN HELD

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here unless a union contract was signed between the company and miners. One of the warrants accused the eight prisoners with being in the group.

The other banding and confederating warrant accused all except Holland with being in the group which returned to the mine on the morning Peace was shot and killed.

Officials here reported today that several truck mine operations near here have closed recently after receiving threats from "roving pickets" that the mines must close unless they sign union contracts.

Members of the groups were not identified but two mine operators reported today they were forced to close.

Wilson said the investigation of the Peace slaying would be continued. No date has been set yet for the examining trials for the eight prisoners.

He could announce no definite plans regarding this project, however.

Wright is currently residing at his summer home at Wrihtsville Beach.

Carrots and other edible roots were imported into Great Britain from Holland and Flanders about 1510.

TAFT WILL COUNT

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his prospects for the nomination and election. Some of his out-of-state supporters said he could have strong Southern support for the asking.

Taft's colleagues still here after last night's big home-coming rally, which was interpreted by them as launching the Taft Presidential boom also drew some comfort from yesterday's statement by Gov. James H. Duff (R-Pa) advising the party not to tie itself up to a single candidate so long in advance of the convention.

Martin Favorite
The believed Taft might muster some strength in the big Pennsylvania convention delegation. There are reports, though, that Senator Martin will be the Keystone state's favorite son.

Taft had strong support from Southern delegations in his past two attempts at the nomination in 1936 and 1940. Visiting Republicans here said much Taft strength was still there, but predicted split delegations from several states.

They said Carol Reece, chairman of the Republican National committee and Tennessee national committeeman, would probably hold the key to the Southern situation; that other state delegations would follow Tennessee's endorsement.

One Tennessee visitor said there is a movement afoot to make Reece a "favorite son" candidate in order that he might hold the Tennessee delegation in the safety zone, waiting to jump on the winner's bandwagon.

Other Taft supporters said he probably would receive support not only in Tennessee, but in Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi. They looked for possible split delegations in Texas, former Taft bailiwick, and in Florida, North Carolina and Virginia.

Georgia doubtful
They would not attempt at this juncture to predict how Georgia and South Carolina might line up. Whatever the ultimate strength Taft shows up with in Dixie, one thing is certain. He has the promise of Ohio's big block of 53 delegates in his pocket if he wants them.

CIO'S BELL BLAMES HIGH PRICE ON TAFT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Jack Kroll, director of the CIO Political Action committee, said today Senator Taft (R-Ohio) is "primarily responsible" for the high cost of living and if he runs for President he "will not even carry his own home state of Ohio."

At the same time Senator Wherry (R-Neb.), in an interview, blamed Truman administration for high meat prices and said they will continue "as long as the government allows half of our wheat crop to be exported overseas and engages in anything but orderly buying of grains."

Kroll, in a statement from CIO headquarters, said Taft "is now an avowed candidate" for the Republican nomination and the CIO-PAC is "sifting the nefarious record" of Taft as chairman of the Senate Republican Policy committee.

"We cannot forget his generalship in the fight against OPA, which he seeks to disclaim," Kroll said.

Interview Himself
Noting Taft's chairmanship of a Senate-House committee to investigate prices, Kroll added: "If Senator Taft is really interested in what causes the high cost of living today he can sit at home and interview himself. He is the one primarily responsible for it."

Wherry, scoffed at arguments that killing of OPA controls caused steak to soar to above \$1 a pound in some butcher shops and said the cause is "large exports of wheat both last year and this year."

"If we had OPA controls today we would have the worst black market and the longest lines at meat counters ever seen," he declared.

"We have no meat black markets today. Nobody has to stand in line to buy meat. If the price is too high, you can leave it alone or buy something else."

DEWEY HOLDING STILL ON HIS INTERESTS
ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Nothing short of a political rocket will propel Gov. Thomas E. Dewey into announcing he is a candidate for the 1948 Republican Presidential nomination, an authoritative source indicated today after the governor's return from a month's tour of the west.

Keeping his own counsel, Dewey dug deep into a high pile of accumulated state work soon after he and his family arrived this morning from Detroit, last stop on a 6,500-mile "vacation" trip.

Although Dewey has not declared his candidacy and does not intend to, his Western junket was partially a vacation but largely a major phase of his campaign to win the Presidential nomination.

The governor was represented as highly pleased with the results of the trip. He conferred with Republican leaders of 15 states and 12 of them said he was leading the field in their states.

Three Exceptions
The three exceptions were Colorado, where he was given a "fighting chance" against Senator Robert A. Taft by National Committeeman Rex Eaton; Illinois, which is reported now to be leaning toward its governor, Dwight Green, or Taft; and Michigan, where its senior Senator, Arthur H. Vandenberg, holds first place in the affections of the party.

Informed sources said Dewey was convinced that he had amassed a sizeable lead over Taft and felt no necessity, immediately at least, of speaking out on national and foreign issues, as Taft would have "all Republicans" do.

When and if Dewey does take to the public platform on issues affecting the nation at home and abroad, it will not be as a declared candidate for the Presidential nomination, unless something new unforeseen changes the picture.

BRICKER SHAKES GUARDS FOR VACATION TRIP
COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Sen. John W. Bricker departed today for a month's vacation in Canada, leaving behind police bodyguards assigned after a mys-

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

By Alley

TOM WAN' M' T' LOAN 'IM A DOLLAH 'TWEEL T'MORROW — SHUCKS! EF HE AIN' GOT NO DOLLAH ON SAD'DAY HE SHO' AIN' GWINE HAVE ONE ON SUNDAY!



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terious caller telephoned "we're going to get him this time."

Five detectives were on duty to protect the former governor at last night's Republican rally here. Grounds of his home in suburban upper Arlington also were searched.

Bricker was not at home yesterday when his mother-in-law, Mrs. Maud A. Day, took the threatening call. A similar call was made to the Senator's downtown law office.

Police expressed belief the calls were for a "crank" but took no chances. A former capitol policeman fired on Bricker in Washington three weeks ago.

APPEARS AT EASE

Bricker appeared at ease during last night's banquet. He sat at a table near the speakers' platform and introduced Sen. Robert A. Taft for the latter's address.

After the banquet, the bodyguards escorted Bricker from the hall by a rear entrance. Later three detectives accompanied Taft out the same way. Authorities described the action as a "precautionary measure."

PROBERS HEAR

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should be taken to contract with Hughes" for 100 planes.

In San Francisco, Arnold confirmed his order for the 100 planes with the observation "hindsight and second guessing seem to be in order."

"Hindsight is all very well, but at that time they wanted planes and wanted them fast," Arnold told reporters.

Asked if he thought the Hughes plane a good one, Arnold answered: "I didn't say that. We were in a war. We needed the best equipment we could get in a hurry. We needed a fast photo reconnaissance plane like the British Mosquito."

"We tried to build the Mosquito here and we couldn't. We tried to build them in Canada and couldn't. We tried to get them from Europe and couldn't."

"The only plane we could get like it was Howard Hughes' FX-11 and that's why we bought it."

Copy Exhibited
The committee received a copy of a technical order covering the 100 planes which noted that they were to be produced "following a recommendation from Colonel Roosevelt to General Arnold."

Echols said he assumed that Wright Field air authorities wanted to show by this notation that they advised against the project and were overruled.

Also into the record went an Army Air Forces memorandum dated March 31, 1945, saying there was "pressure brought to bear from very high places" in connection with award of the contract.

Brewster, chairman of the War Investigating committee, made his offer to waive Senatorial privileges after Hughes announced in Los Angeles that he will ask the Justice department to investigate "the relationship of Senator Brewster with Pan American Airways."

This was a reference to Hughes' statement earlier this week that the Maine Senator had offered to call off the current investigation if Hughes would merge his Trans World Airline with Pan American.

"I will welcome the most thorough exploration of this charge by the Attorney General in justice to all concerned," Brewster said in a statement.

To Waive Privileges
He added that after Hughes has testified before the committee, "I shall be most happy to waive all committee and Senatorial privileges and appear before the committee as a plain American citizen under oath."

Brewster added that "if there were a word of truth in the charges now being made" by Hughes "they should have been presented to the Attorney General last February at the time of the alleged proposal."

The Maine lawmaker said "one does not wait six months where a blackmail charge is involved."

Although Finland extends far north into extremely cold latitudes, with rugged climate and topography, it is an agricultural country. Lumber is the most important industry. Principal crops are rye, barley, oats potatoes and hay.

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CROSS COUNTRY AFTER-DINNER SPEECHES AT DUKE

DURHAM, Aug. 1.—(AP)—After-dinner speeches telephoned from coast to coast featured tonight's banquet of the Duke university Southern California Alumna association at Los Angeles.

The speakers, Dean H. J. Her ring and Coach Wallace Wade, were introduced by Alumni Secretary Charles A. Dukes in the alumni office of the university campus at Durham. The listeners sat around banquet tables on the other side of the continent in Los Angeles. The speeches were transmitted by direct telephone wire from Durham to Los Angeles.

Thurston Jackson, Duke graduate in 1934, presided over the banquet on the west coast.

The Los Angeles chapter was reorganized Dec. 15, 1946. Tonight's banquet was the first annual meeting since the group was reorganized.

Whiteville Police Chief Appointed Public Works Head

WHITEVILLE, Aug. 1.—W. B. Coleman, chief of the Whiteville police force for the past 20 years, Wednesday afternoon announced that he had tendered his resignation as chief to accept the city's offer of the post of city superintendent of public works.

With the release of his letter of resignation, city officials disclosed that Assistant Chief E. W. Hobbs had been named acting chief as of August 1 when Mr. Coleman will take his new position.

Chief Coleman laid aside his badge and uniform Friday night, and hung up his gun and holster which he wore for 22 years.

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DECLINES NOTED IN EARNINGS

Weekly Wages Down 0.8 Per Cent During June, Says Labor Branch

RALEIGH, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Hourly and weekly earnings of state non-agricultural workers showed fractional declines in June, Clarence Pritchard, statistics director for the state labor department, reported today.

Weekly earnings, which averaged \$35.28, were down 0.8 per cent and as compared with May averages, Pritchard said. Weekly and hourly earnings decreased in 19 industry groups and increased in 16 other groups.

The length of the work week conformed to a downward trend in earnings, with fewer hours being worked in 19 industry groups and more hours worked in 16 groups. With an over-all decline of 0.3 per cent, the work week averaged 38.3 hours.

Manufacturing workers in non-durable goods industries averaged 96 cents an hour; those in durable goods industries, 84.2 cents. Non-manufacturing industries showed an average of 75.9 cents. Nine industry groups, all in manufacturing, paid average wages of more than \$1.00 an hour.

Hourly and weekly earnings in the textile mill products industry fell sharply, along with a marked decline in total employment. Hourly earnings in cotton textiles, the largest branch of the industry, fell 4.1 per cent. All other principal branches of the industry showed decreases in earnings, and the length of the work-week also declined in most branches.

Weekly earnings in tobacco and tobacco manufacturing industries, which employed 3,000 additional workers during June, declined 3.1 per cent. Average hourly earnings

fell 1.7 per cent, but were still at an average of \$1.05 per hour.

Average hourly and weekly wages of hotel employees—one of the lowest-paid groups of employees in the state—fell six per cent during June. Hotel employees averaged 39.4 cents an hour in wages, not including tips, or \$18.20 for a work week of slightly more than 46 hours.

PROBABLE CAUSE FOUND IN ALAMANCE SHOOTING CASE

BURLINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—City Judge C. C. Cates, Jr., found probable cause this afternoon against Paul McLeod and kept his bond at \$25,000 in connection with the slaying of Frank Roberts here on the night of June 20.

Paul McLeod and his brother, Robert, had been charged with the slaying. Following today's hearing the charge against Robert McLeod was amended to accessory to murder and his bond was lowered to \$5,000.

Both men will face Alamance county Superior Court on Aug. 11.

J. D. Robertson, brother-in-law of the slain man, testified that as he entered his home, after being summoned by his wife, he was Paul McLeod running away from the scene.

FOREMEN UNIONISTS FILE SUIT AGAINST TAFT-HARTLEY LAW

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The Foreman's Association of America filed suit against the National Labor Relations board today challenging the constitutionality of the new Taft-Hartley Labor act.

The Foremen's union, with headquarters in Detroit, specifically attacked the provision which relieves employers of the obligation to bargain collectively with unions of

The Weather

Weather bureau report of temperature, precipitation and wind for the 24-hour ending 8 p. m., in the principal cotton growing areas and elsewhere.

Station	High	Low	Precip.
WILMINGTON	90	66	0.0
Alpena	88	63	0.0
Asheville	82	61	0.0
Atlanta	93	71	0.0
Atlantic City	73	66	0.0
Birmingham	94	72	0.0
Boston	82	66	0.0
Buffalo	72	47	0.0
Burlington	88	64	0.0
Charlotte	94	72	0.0
Chattanooga	92	70	0.0
Chicago	78	52	0.0
Cincinnati	82	58	0.0
Cleveland	78	53	0.0
Dallas	94	71	0.0
Denver	91	61	0.0
Detroit	71	48	0.0
Duluth	84	57	0.0
El Paso	94	68	0.0
Fort Worth	91	78	0.0
Galveston	89	70	0.0
Jacksonville	94	72	0.0
Kansas City	96	74	0.0
Key West	90	76	0.0
Little Rock	96	74	0.0
Los Angeles	95	74	0.0
Louisville	85	61	0.0
Memphis	92	74	0.0
Meridian	96	68	0.0
Miami	92	76	0.0
Minneapolis	82	58	0.0
Mobile	96	72	0.0
Montgomery	94	72	0.0
New Orleans	90	72	0.0
New York	78	63	0.0
Norfolk	78	61	0.0
Philadelphia	88	63	0.0
Phoenix	100	81	0.0
Pittsburgh	75	53	0.0
Portland, Me.	73	51	0.0
Richmond	84	67	0.0
St. Louis	88	71	0.0
San Antonio	98	71	0.0
San Francisco	66	58	0.0
Savannah	96	78	0.0
Seattle	91	67	0.0
Tampa	93	73	0.0
Vicksburg	96	74	0.0
Washington	78	61	0.0

There are 52,000 auto repair garages in the United States, supervisory employes. It contends this is discriminatory.

The suit asks the Federal District court here to stop the NLRB from dismissing the union's petition under authority of the act.

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