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New Deadline Asked By AFL

NLRB Requested To Soften Rule On Non-Communist Affidavits

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The AFL today asked the National Labor Relations Board either to (1) soften the rules requiring non-Communist affidavits from labor leaders, or (2) wait until about November 1 for a showdown over their legality. Joseph A. Padway, AFL chief counsel, met with the board and NLRB General Counsel Robert N. Denham, and requested that the board reverse Denham's ruling. This ruling is that all top officers of the AFL and CIO must swear they are not Communists before unions affiliated with them may use facilities of the government agency.

In event the board decides not to throw out Denham's interpretation of the Taft-Hartley act, Padway asked it to extend the deadline for filing such affidavits by 30 days or longer. Both AFL and CIO will have held their national convention in the meantime.

If this postponement is granted, it would assure added life to about 5,000 cases pending before the board. These cases, involving union grievances against employers, were instituted prior to August 22 when the Taft-Hartley law with its new requirements became operative.

Allows 20 Days The Denham ruling allows 20 days for unions to qualify under the law after receipt of notice of what it requires of them. First notices were mailed out by the board September 2 and the present earliest deadline is about September 23. After that the board—unless it grants the extension—will begin dismissing pending cases which involve unions whose officers have failed to file the affidavit that they are not Communists.

Padway and an associate, Henry Keiser, talked informally with the board officials. The labor attorneys contended that the act requires the affidavits only from officers of unions, and not from the heads of the federations into which these unions are gathered.

COURT GETS JURY DECISION TODAY

Panel Ready To Announce Findings In Rich Square Case

WARRENTON, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Authoritative sources said tonight that the Warren County Grand jury had reached a decision on the state's request for indictments in an attempted lynching case, but the decision will not be made public until court reconvenes tomorrow.

The 18-man jury was asked to return true bills against Joe Cunningham, Rich Square assistant theater manager, and A. E. Edwards, Northampton county jailer, in connection with the attempted lynching last May 23 of Negro Godwin "Buddy" Bush.

The grand jury examined witnesses this afternoon but had not reached a decision when Judge W. C. Harris adjourned court at 4:45 p. m.

Shortly after the judge left the court house word was sent from the grand jury room that it was ready to return to open court.

Court attaches reached Judge Harris at his hotel, but the jurist said that court would not be reconvened until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

Cunningham is charged with conspiracy to break and enter the jail at Jackson and with breaking and entering it with intent to harm a prisoner. Edwards is charged with aiding and abetting the lynching attempt which failed when Bush escaped from a group of armed, masked white men.

Cunningham, Edwards and Bush were all present in the court room today.

Seven U. S. Soldiers Stall 2,000 Yugos

Attempt To Invade Territory Of Trieste Frustrated By American Detail At Border—Innocents Serious

TRIESTE, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Seven American soldiers today held off a force of 2,000 Yugoslav troops who tried to invade Trieste on the day of its birth as a free state. The incident was one of nearly 20, caused by attempts of Yugoslavs to encroach on Italian territory, which were so serious in their entirety that an allied general said: "We could have had war." Officers in charge of the Yugoslav troops, approaching the United States lines on the new Italian-Yugoslav frontier about 3 a. m. said: "We have 2,000 troops behind us and we are coming through. We will give you five minutes."

U.S. Opens War On Soviet "Misuse" Of Veto Power

UN AT A GLANCE

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Highlights of the opening sessions of the United Nations Assembly today: Dr. Oswaldo Aranha of Brazil was elected assembly president over Dr. Herbert V. Evatt of Australia, 29 to 22.

Representatives of the United States, Britain, China, France, Russia, Mexico and Cuba were elected to the seven vice-presidencies. Chairmanships of the six main standing committees went to Luxembourg, India, Poland, Syria, Chile and New Zealand.

The 14-nation steering committee comprising the president, vice presidents and committee chairmen, was called to meet tomorrow to begin work on the 62-item agenda.

General debate was scheduled to start tomorrow (10 a. m. EST) with Secretary of State Marshall as the second speaker. Mexico was listed to lead off.

Aranha made the opening speech as holdover president from the special Palestine session and Mayor William O'Dwyer gave the official welcome.

TOBACCO PRICES TURN IRREGULAR

Lower Quality Leaf Sells Well On Middle Belt; Eastern Recovers

By The Associated Press Sales continued heavy yesterday on markets of the Middle Belt following Monday's opening at which 3,862,060 pounds of tobacco brought an average price of \$46.16 per hundred pounds.

Price trends yesterday were irregular. Several of the lower quality leaf grades increased from \$1 to \$4.50, and cutters and lemon lugs were slightly higher. However, orange lugs and most primings fell from \$2 to \$3.

Meanwhile, on the Eastern North Carolina belt prices recovered from Monday's slump and in some cases were higher than they were last Friday. But on the Border markets, a downward price spiral partially or completely eliminated gains recorded Monday.

Quality Good The opening sales on the Middle Belt brought out large quantities of good quality tobacco, and yesterday's offerings were about the same in quality. The

Porcupine Minus Quills, Loses Bout With Monkey

BALTIMORE, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Wilton the porcupine finally ran out of ammunition so Charlie the terrible monkey won out in the end.

Wilton was found dead this morning on the floor of their cage at the Baltimore zoo. Charlie had no comment.

Warnings Lowered In Carolinas As Storm Creeps On Palm Beach; Jap Typhoon Takes 2,280 Lives

Flash Floods Add Terror In Areas

Tokyo Hard Hit With 180 Dead, More Than 1,670 Missing Reports Say

TOKYO, Sept. 16.—(AP)—A lyrically named typhoon, Kathleen, spread death and destruction over two-thirds of Honshu island and casualty figures tonight still were mounting. Kyodo News agency, U. S. Army and unofficial estimates rolled up these counts: 2,280 dead or missing, including 100 dead in Tokyo. Two medium sized towns wiped out and numerous villages flooded. 160,000 homes flooded or damaged, including 15,000 in Tokyo. 150,000 acres inundated. Fifteen prefectures extensively damaged.

Hundreds of millions of Yen damage—millions of dollars, U. S., at the official exchange rate of 2 cents a Yen. General MacArthur's headquarters had no reports of American or allied casualties. However, some families were moved to safer locations and an isolated unit of several hundred U. S. Cavalrymen at Camp McNair, near Fujiyama, was supplied by air.

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CEMENT FLOWER—Pictured above is Mrs. Maggie Keen of South Sixth street, sitting on the cement steps at her home beside the large ageratum bush which is growing atop the cement steps. She says she has no explanation how the plant came to grow out of the step. (Staff Photo)

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Winds Of 160 MPH Now Bearing Down On Central Florida Resort Centers; Wilmington Area Set For Emergency

Red Cross Workers Ready To Aid Residents If Hurricane Hits

Residents of the Wilmington area, alerted by reports of the proximity of the most severe tropical hurricane to be recorded in modern times, are reassured today that the Red Cross has coordinated all government and private agencies in methodical preparation to guarantee effective relief measures regardless of what may develop as the disturbance passes by.

This area was placed on an alert status at 11 a. m. Tuesday by Gardner Greer, chairman of the New Hanover Red Cross disaster committee, following the decision of the weather bureau to call for voluntary evacuation of the beach areas.

Greer presided over a meeting of the disaster committee at Red Cross headquarters, on Front street, late Tuesday afternoon at which all details were perfected for the development of relief measures according to the requirements of the situation.

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Weather Bureau Advisories Expect Storm To Strike Near Palm Beach

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 16.—(AP)—The U. S. Weather Bureau issued the following advisory at 10:45 p. m. (EST): The severe hurricane, attended by winds of over 100 miles an hour near center and with gales extending outward 100 miles from center, was centered at 10:45 p. m. (EST) 145 miles east of West Palm Beach, apparently moving about 8 miles an hour.

The continued westward movement will bring the storm center over the Florida coast between West Palm Beach and Miami Wednesday, with high tides.

Winds are now increasing along the Florida East coast and will attain hurricane force early Wednesday from Titusville to Miami and the Okeechobee region with gale winds over the remainder of South and Central Florida by Wednesday afternoon.

All interests in South and Central Florida stand by for frequent and additional advisories.

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The Weather

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