

WEATHER

WILMINGTON AND VICINITY: Fair with little change in temperature.

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SECTION A—PRICE TEN CENTS

Soldier Dead Begin Return To The U.S.

Solemn Service Conducted In Antwerp Before Crowds

5600 ARE FIRST

Gen. Clay, Belgian Chief Give Farewells And Praise

ANTWERP, Belgium, Oct. 4.—Thousands of Belgians joined high American officials today in reverent tribute to 5,600 American soldier dead who sailed for home aboard the U. S. Army transport Joseph V. Connolly.

The crowds massed in the 400-year-old grand plaza of the ancient city to honor the first homing contingent of soldier dead from the last war whose return was requested by their families. The transport is scheduled to arrive in New York harbor about Oct. 25.

Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American military governor in Germany, stood before a coffin of one of the soldiers anonymously chosen and declared: "We have not yet found the lasting peace for which these men died in their youth."

LOWERING PRICE TURNS UPWARD

Consumer Resistance Seen Weakening, Index Shows

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The high cost of food, forced down somewhat in a wave of stiff consumer resistance after reaching record peaks in mid-September, has started its upward spiral again.

Butter and eggs were the principal exceptions at both wholesale and retail levels.

Wholesale prices reversed a two weeks decline and moved up in the Associated Press index of 25 commodities.

The index advanced to 192.60 per cent of the 1926 average, compared with 190.13 a week earlier, 192.38 two weeks ago, 194.35 three weeks ago and the record high of 195.31 on September 16.

Food and livestock prices scored the greatest gains during the week. The food index jumped from 159.21 to 162.15 and livestock from 233.71 to 241.79.

In Philadelphia The Progressive Citizens of America advocated public ownership of the steel industry and a return to price control and rationing as emergency steps to combat inflation.

REFRESHER COURSE

FAYETTEVILLE, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Hundreds of army reservists from all parts of North Carolina were at nearby Fort Bragg today for a contact school designed to acquaint them with new weapons and military procedures.

The Weather

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 a.m. today. Temperatures: Maximum 78; Minimum 56; Mean 67; Normal 69.

Table with columns: Station, High, Low, Precip. Includes cities like Wilmington, Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Denver, etc.

German Girl Consigned To Fiance As 'Freight'



DORIS VON KNOBLOCK, 21-year-old German girl, emerges from a freight crate at the airport in Frankfurt, Germany, after airport employes discovered her plan to have herself shipped aboard a plane in the crate addressed to her fiance, Ralph Berndt, of 539 W. 49th Street, New York City.

Yankees Clip Dodgers, 2-1; Duke Wins; UNC Beaten

YOUNG WIFE DIES AS HOME BURNS

Jacksonville Woman's Husband Plea For Help Fails

JACKSONVILLE, Oct. 4.—A 25-year-old woman, wife of a Marine sergeant was burned to death here at about 4:15 a.m. today.

Police officers who took her body from the burning two-story house 311 Ann street, said that there was no visible sign of life in Mrs. LeRoy Patterson, whose home is in Savannah, Ga. She was rushed to Onslow county hospital.

Sgt. Patterson was on top the building shouting for help, when police and fire fighting equipment arrived. He had crashed through a window which led to the roof.

Coroner Talbot Jones said that death of Mrs. Patterson was caused by severe burns and suffocation.

The house, which was almost destroyed throughout the second floor is owned by Mrs. Beulah Miller. It was used as a rooming house. All other roomers escaped uninjured.

Fire department officials estimated the property damage at between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

RIVER STEAMER RUNS DOWN PLANE LANDED IN ITS PATH

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 4.—(AP)—The oddest accident on record was logged at South Charleston's police headquarters today—a steamboat ran over an airplane and demolished it.

The Mairscoff flying school reported that Frank Isaacs, piloting a seaplane, miscalculated the shadow of electric wires on the Kanawha river and altered his course.

Result was he crashed landed in the path of an oncoming ship.

Howard Hughes Inquiry Continues Secretly, It Is Now Admitted

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Senate investigators secretly reviewed today an inquiry into \$40,000,000 worth of wartime airplane contracts awarded to Howard Hughes, Hollywood millionaire.

Two closed-door sessions were held today, it was learned, to question witnesses who may testify publicly at a hearing scheduled to reopen Nov. 17.

Two Local Men Face Charges In Affray Case

H. B. (Shorty) Lockmey and Bill Birdsong were placed under \$50 bond last night on charges of engaging in an affray at 701 N. Third street, city police said.

Tar Heel gloom fans were both gleeful and gloomy today after results of yesterday's football clashes were all tabulated.

The glee followed news that Wallace Wade's Blue Devils of Duke were apparently much stronger than pre-season reports had them, and had battered the Tennessee Vols by a 19-7 margin.

The gloom came when the Texas Longhorns, for some reason labeled an underdog in the pre-game predictions, lambasted Charley Justice and his Tar Heel teammates by a lop-sided 34-0 margin.

Wake Forest defeated Clemson 16-4 and William and Mary trounced the Citadel 56-7.

In other games throughout the nation, Georgia upset mighty Louisiana State by a 35-19 score, Georgia Tech continued its winning ways by defeating Tulane 20-0, Mississippi battered South Carolina 33-0, Army whipped Colorado 47-0, Notre Dame opened its season by slugging Pittsburgh 40-6, and Michigan slapped down Stanford 49-13.

The North Carolina State Wolfpack came out on the long end of a 14-0 score by downing a scrappy Davidson eleven.

Other scores and results will be found on the sports page.

TWO MEN HELD IN MAIL FRAUD

FAYETTEVILLE, Oct. 4.—(AP)—United States postal inspectors are holding two men here, identified as from Richmond and Charlotte, on charges of using the mails to defraud by representing themselves as agents for North Carolina and Wilmington concerns in securing from out-of-state wholesalers \$300,000 worth of merchandise.

The defendants identified themselves as Thomas Albert Pope, 53, of Richmond, and Sam Whitford, 35, of Charlotte.

Postal inspectors gave this report of their alleged operations: "They printed letterheads of North Carolina firms, mostly department stores. They said the firms were about to open branches in small North Carolina towns, and ordered merchandise valued at \$100,000 over the last few months. Delivery on about \$30,000 worth was secured.

The goods were shipped to Dunn, Monroe, Gastonia, Sanford and Warsaw, authorities said. They added that the men claimed they represented firms in Wadesboro, Lumberton, Durham, and Wilmington.

CHURCHILL DEMANDS AN EARLY ELECTION TO DESTROY LABOR

BRIGHTON, England, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Winston Churchill today demanded an early national election which he said would destroy the labor government.

Addressing a cheering conservative party convention at its closing session, the war-time prime minister delivered a sharp attack on the labor government, declaring "the machinery for the totalitarian grip on British society is being built up and perfected."

OPTIMISTIC NOTE

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The American Meat institute said today the current food crisis could be met without disrupting the American farm program or instituting meatless days.

\$750,000 Jewels Taken From Beauty At Gun-Point; Priest Sues To Stop U N

Would Stop UN From Use Of N.Y. Site

Returned Pastor Declares 3rd War 'May Be On Way'

International Catholic Truth Society Head To Act

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The Rev. Edward Lodge Curran, president of the International Catholic Truth Society, has notified the United Nations that he will file a court action in an attempt to bar the UN from using the Manhattan site for its proposed world capital.

Patrick I. Flannely, counsel to the priest, filed copies of a formal complaint yesterday with the city corporation counsel and also notified the UN by telephone of the proposed action.

The complaint charged the UN has failed in its peace functions, and added that the international organization had become a sounding board for the Soviet Union to "insult and defame" the United States.

Father Curran, who is pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church in Brooklyn and former managing editor of The Tablet, a church publication, indicated he would file a suit in New York Supreme court, Queens, which would name Secretary General Trygve Lie of the UN and Mayor William O'Dwyer.

The complaint said it was illegal for the Congress, state and city governments to give the land for the site to a "foreign sovereignty." It also sought return of the building in Flushing Meadow being used as a temporary general assembly hall.

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It was also reported that chaos in Germany has ditched all sex morality with resultant evil effect on young American occupation soldiers.

Fourteen clergymen made the trip. The Army released the reports it received from the first four. They were written by Dr. George Pitt Beers, executive secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission and chairman of the Council of World Evangelization, Northern Baptist convention; Dr. Alfred Carpenter, director of the Chaplains commission, Southern Baptist convention; Dr. W. O. H. Garman, director of Civil affairs of the American Council of Christian churches, and Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, pastor of the Park Street church of Boston.

The refusal of Russia to cooperate was noted generally in the reports, and was emphasized by Dr. Ockenga. He asserted that "from the stalemate tactics of the Russians, it is obvious that the communists seek a disorganized, confused, poverty-stricken Germany, on which Communism breeds."

He added that the "line taken by the French communists to block any attempt to lift German industrial levels reveals this. The Marshall Plan is "an effective countermeasure to this threat," said Dr. Ockenga. Then he added:

"Nevertheless it has drawn the lines of division between Eastern and Western Europe which may well lead to a third war. Either we must retreat from the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall Plan or we must be prepared to implement these words with force, if needed."

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Thief Threatened To Shoot Her And Young Daughter

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Mrs. Sari Gabor Hilton, blonde "Miss Hungary of 1930" and former wife of multi-millionaire hotel owner Conrad Hilton, was robbed today of jewelry valued by police at \$750,000 by a man who threatened to shoot her and her six-month-old daughter.

The holdup man forced his way into Mrs. Hilton's penthouse apartment at 8 East 83rd street, just off Fifth avenue, shortly after 11 a. m., and tied Mrs. Hilton and her maid before escaping with the jewelry, police said.

Mrs. Hilton, sister of Hungarian actress Eva Gabor, wore a dazzling array of jewels last night on visits to several exclusive restaurants and night clubs.

Police Inspector Abraham Goldman, who gave the reported value of the jewels, said that among the 25 stolen pieces were a diamond necklace, two diamond bracelets, a diamond engagement ring and a diamond wedding ring.

Police gave this partial version of the robbery. A grey-suited, six-foot-tall man wearing dark glasses forced his way into the apartment after the maid had opened the door in response to a sharp rap.

Pointing his gun at the maid, the bandit followed her into the living room where Mrs. Hilton was sitting.

"Give me the jewels," he ordered Mrs. Hilton.

The diamond-studded jewelry was in the bedroom.

He took the jewelry which was in a jewel case on the dresser and tied Mrs. Hilton to a love seat in the apartment foyer.

The bandit at first told the maid he was there to do "some wiring" in the apartment but when she insisted no such work had been ordered he pushed her ahead of him and drew his gun.

Police said Mrs. Hilton's daughter, Constance, was in the apartment at the time of the robbery.

As Mrs. Hilton left the apartment accompanied by detectives to examine police files of photographs of known jewel robbers, she said the bandit threatened to shoot her and the baby.

"After the holdup man struck my maid he told me: 'If you don't keep quiet I'll shoot you and the baby,'" she said.

OVERELL JURY, ELEVEN TO ONE

SANTA ANA, Calif., Oct. 4.—(AP)—The jury trying Louise Overell and George (Bud) Gollum for the murder of her parents advised Judge Kenneth Morrison tonight that it stood numerically 11 to 1, without disclosing whether the vote was for conviction or acquittal.

Jay Porter, Orange, Calif., foreman of the jury, informed the court he believed the jury could reach a verdict.

The jury was summoned to the courtroom at 6:30 p. m. (PST) 9:30 p. m. (EST) by Judge Morrison after it had been deliberating for 26 hours.

"Mr. Porter, Judge Morrison said, 'I should like to ask you a few questions and I would like you to answer without divulging secrets that belong to the jury alone. Please tell me what the vote of the jury is numerically in the case of Mr. Gollum?'"

"Well, your honor," Porter replied. "We have been considering the cases—"

At this point the court admonished Porter against any discussion of whether the jury was considering the case of Gollum and Louise jointly.

Porter explained, however that the vote was 11 to 1, also in the case of Miss Overell.

"Do you believe you will be able to reach a verdict?" asked the jurist.

"We hope so," answered the foreman.

UNC STUDENTS 7528 CHAPEL HILL, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has an enrollment of 7528 students for the fall term.

Advertisement for 'This Is Happy' by Peggy Dern, featuring a woman's face and text about happiness and a raincoat.

Justice Holt Dies

STAUNTON, Va., Oct. 4.—(AP)—Henry Winston Holt, chief justice of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, died of a heart attack tonight.

He was 72 years old and had served on the court for 15 years. He was born in Staunton, Va., and attended the University of Virginia. He was a member of the Virginia Bar Association and the American Bar Association.