

FORECAST:
Wilmington and vicinity: Cloudy, with heavy rain and squalls today; Friday partly cloudy and warmer with showers.

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Britain Warns Arab States Against War

LONDON, Oct. 14. — (U.P.) Great Britain was reported today to have warned Arab states that a move to carry out the Arab League decision to mass troops along the Palestine border may have drastic consequences.

The Foreign Office revealed that British representatives "informally" told the Syrian government that Britain sharply disapproves Syrian troop "maneuvers" in the direction of the Palestine frontier.

There were strong indications here that similar "advice" had been handed to other Arab states. "All the middle Eastern countries are now fully aware of our position," a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The British action carried an implied threat that 100,000 British troops in the Holy Land would take ruthless steps to put down any Arab revolt within the borders of Palestine while Britain was still responsible for maintenance of order.

Another Blow

Diplomatic sources said Russia's outright approval of partition was another blow to Arab who expected a measure of Soviet support for the Arab state.

Strong British support for the Arab troop movement was regarded here as a certain to quash effective Arab plans to ring Palestine with troops. The regular armies of most of the Arab states are dependent upon Britain to a large degree.

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Luckman Relaxes Rules For "Meatless Tuesdays"

QUEEN WILHELMINA PASSES SCEPTER

Juliana To Serve As Princess-Regent Of Holland Until Dec. 1

THE HAGUE, The Netherlands, Oct. 14. — (U.P.) — Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands, overcome by fatigue and illness, temporarily passed the scepter today to her stalwart, 38-year-old daughter, Crown Princess Juliana.

Juliana, as princess-regent, will rule the lowland kingdom until Dec. 1, when it is hoped that the 67-year-old queen will be sufficiently recovered to resume the throne.

The princess took the oath of office at 3 p.m. before a joint session of parliament in ancient Knights' Hall, amid shouts of "long live the regent!" which quickly spread to the thousands of loyal Dutch subjects lining the streets outside.

The temporary queen, simply dressed in a greenish-blue frock, was accompanied by her husband, Prince Bernhard, who wore the uniform of a general in the Dutch Army. Queen Wilhelmina was unable to attend.

Ceremony Short

The short, sober inaugural ceremony was opened by Prof. R. Kraenburg with a brief speech welcoming the new ruler but expressing "the sincere

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TOBACCO PRICES WEAK ON MARKET

Middle Belt Growers Get Lowest Return Of Season For Offerings

By The Associated Press

Flue-cured tobacco markets reported generally lower prices yesterday according to the State and Federal Departments of Agriculture.

The greatest price drop of the season was reported from the Middle Belt. Averages for all grades were down from \$2 to \$7 per hundred pounds from Monday's sales with common and low quality leaf, fair and low smoking leaf, all primings, and thin nondescript showing the greatest losses, from \$5 to \$7.

Sales continued heavy but quality of the offerings was inferior to Monday's. There were more common grades and nondescript and less choice grades. Growers sold a total of 4,447,697 pounds Monday at an average of \$43.71 per hundred, 77 cents above last Friday's average.

Eastern Belt

On the Eastern Belt, the majority of grades were off from \$1 to \$3 with losses more prevalent for smoking leaf, cutters and lugs. A few nondescript and common leaf offerings showed advances of from \$2.50 to \$2. The general quality of offerings

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The Weather

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Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m. yesterday:

TEMPERATURES
1:30 a.m. 64; 7:30 a.m. 62; 1:30 p.m. 71; 7:30 p.m. 72; Maximum 74; Minimum 61; Mean 67; Normal 66.

HUMIDITY
1:30 a.m. 87; 7:30 a.m. 93; 1:30 p.m. 79; 7:30 p.m. 80.

PRECIPITATION
Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m. .75 inches.

Total since the first of the month 2.52 inches.

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

Wilmington
10:35 a.m. 5:36 p.m.
10:51 p.m. 5:36 p.m.

Wilmington Inlet
10:35 a.m. 5:36 p.m.
10:51 p.m. 5:36 p.m.

Sunrise 6:47; Sunset 5:58; Moonrise 7:30; Moonset 6:30.

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Eighty Years Of Service

An Editorial

The Wilmington Morning Star today observes the 80th anniversary of its life of service to its community, state and nation.

Founded by the late Major William H. Bernard, a gallant officer of the Confederacy, in the stirring days of reconstruction, the first issue made its appearance on Oct. 15, 1867. It was a small publication but back of its pages was a courageous spirit of progress which has continued to make it the dean of North Carolina newspapers.

The advancement of the intellectual and civic influences of the Wilmington Morning Star has been constant during the four years.

Today its personnel is the most competent and its facilities the most ample in its unintermittent history. In that, we take pardonable pride. And this feeling is accompanied by the realization that this growth was made possible by the steady support accorded by the community and territory.

We deeply appreciate this support. We believe it has been engendered through the newspaper's strong desire for all the people to feel that it is their newspaper. Over the eighty years, The Wilmington Morning Star has become an institution whose interests are so closely interwoven with those of the city and Southeastern North Carolina as to be inseparable.

Today, Wilmington is living in another post-war era. But instead of the darkness and hopelessness of the comparable period when Major Bernard made his vision a reality, there is brightness and unrestricted opportunity which should carry Wilmington to its greatest heights.

In the late 1860's, The Wilmington Morning Star was a leading force in rallying the people to the hard tasks of reconstruction. In the late 1940's, its first desire is to continue as the strongest of all voices in the call to hasten the community's potentialities in a spirit of unrestrained cooperation.

Because the most fruitful of all years lie ahead for The Wilmington Morning Star's sphere of service, it marks this occasion with renewal of its pledge to do its full part in realizing the extensive opportunities of Wilmington and Southeastern North Carolina. It is meeting this responsibility with greater determination than ever because today is the most opportune of all times for advancement.

May we continue to go forward with greater strength than ever.

Veterans Will Get Army Camps Notice

GREEN TURNS UP

CHARLOTTE, Oct. 14. — (P) — A traffic light conveniently changed to green as a driver's car slipped from its parking place yesterday and rolled across Trade street, one of Charlotte's main arteries.

No one was hurt — but a large plate glass window of an automobile showroom was broken, and the owner of the machine reported \$160 was missing from a glove compartment after the freak mishap.

WAA Officials Agree To Plan Proposed By Noble Committee

BY FRANK VAN DER LINDEN Morning Star Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14. — Veterans organizations will get a thirty-day notice on the sale of surplus military establishments suitable for conversion into 150,000 temporary housing units, the chairman of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Housing committee said today.

The committee, headed by Ken Noble of Wilmington, N.C., completed an eight-point housing program here today and it will be presented to President Truman next week by National Commander Ray Brannaman of Denver.

Noble said War Assets Administration officials agreed to the plan.

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"ORAL" RELEASE STANDS IN COURT

Jury Returns Verdict For Defendants In Suit By George W. Lyons

A jury in New Hanover county superior court today found that George W. Lyons, real estate agent, had released Mr. and Mrs. John K. Davis, former owners of Jo's Night Club on the Carolina Beach road, from the terms of a contract they had made with the firm of Lyons and Thomas before they sold the club to Capt. Ben L. Wagnon for \$13,000.

The jury's verdict prevented Lyons from recovering \$1,800 he sought as 10 per cent commission on the sale. The case was clinched for the defendants Tuesday when attorney W. K. Rhodes, Jr., called H. H. Thomas as a witness to corroborate the testimony of Davis who testified he had been orally released from the contract with the realty firm when the party

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STALIN NOW RESTING FOR HIS HEALTH AT BLACK SEA AREA SPA

LONDON, Oct. 14. — (P) — The Moscow Radio disclosed tonight that Prime Minister Stalin is in a rest area on the Black Sea.

Announcing that Stalin had received eight Laborite members of the British parliament visiting the Soviet Union, the broadcast said the "reception took place in the area of Sochi," a Black Sea resort.

Stalin, who will be 68 Dec. 21, spent a prolonged vacation in the Sochi area following the end of the war when there were widespread but unconfirmed reports that he was seriously ill.

Farmer, Wife Find Means To Continue Charities

PELICAN RAPIDS, Minn., Oct. 14. — (P) — Because Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold G. Rhode feel a responsibility toward seven destitute European families, those families are going to continue receiving food and clothing even though difficulties have beset Mr. and Mrs. Rhode.

The couple, who farm 80 acres nine miles Southeast of Pelican Rapids, wrote to a Fargo, N. D., radio station saying they would have to cease sending food and clothing to the families because their corn crop failed and the price of livestock feed has "gone sky-high." They asked aid in locating persons who would care for the families from December through May. By the end of that time, they said, they might be able to help some more.

Five women responded to the request. Two of them said church groups they represented would take over the sending of packages.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhode have been sending food and clothing to friends in the British occupied zone of Germany.

New Tropical Blow Heads For South Carolina Coast; 48 Rescued From Airship

Heavy Seas Make Rescue Dangerous

Giant Flying Boat Forced Down At Sea With 69 Persons Aboard

NEW YORK, Oct. 14. — (P) — Weary Coast Guard crews, fighting waves two stories high, tonight rescued more than 48 of the 69 persons aboard a giant Boeing flying boat, wallowing for more than 12 hours approximately 820 miles off the Newfoundland coast.

While mid-Atlantic night winds of gale force whined around the leaking hulk of the plane, the Bermuda Sky Queen, Coast Guardsmen made five trips to the craft, removing 48 persons to the safety of the Weather ship Bibb.

The Coast Guard here reported in a message received at 6:45 p.m. (EST) that it would be necessary to make three more successful trips tonight bringing seven persons on each trip before the final rescue work could be accomplished.

This was likely to "take the balance of the night," the message read.

Thus far no injuries or deaths have been reported despite the winds and mountainous waves.

The message from the Bibb, however, said one of the survivors

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FOLLOWING A SUCCESSFUL OPERATION on her eyes, the dog, said that it was the first time he had tried the operation "Liebchen" is shown with her mistress Gayla Blasdel in Los Angeles. Dr. H. Blasdel, who performed the cataract operation on an animal. (International)

90-Mile Per Hour Winds At Center

Wrightsville Beach Escapes With Minor Damages From Tides

High winds and tides wreaked havoc with the nervous systems of many Carolina and Wrightsville Beach residents last night but if any material damage was added to the depredations of the Tuesday morning disturbance, it was hidden by the darkness.

Some of the beach residents, alarmed by warnings of two more storms to come Tuesday night, hurriedly made voluntary evacuations Tuesday afternoon. New Hanover county Red Cross was alerted but no serious relief measures had to be undertaken.

Apprehension reached a high point when the tide rolled in at approximately 8:30 p.m. But it was not appreciably higher than the tide of Tuesday morning which did minor damage along the water front.

The wind steadily increased to near gale proportions as the disturbance passed east of Wilmington. Rain squalls added nothing to the comfort of small crowds of anxious observers who gathered about the piers and other vantage points to await developments.

John D. Mercer at the Atlantic View pier said he sustained approximately \$3,000 damage when the breakers that came in with the high tide Tuesday morning battered his concession stand. It was the highest tide he has seen on Wrightsville Beach during the five years he has been there, Mercer said.

When a small crowd of observers arrived Tuesday evening to wait for the storm, Mercer opened the pier for business. The old timers recalled the storm of 1944 which washed out the pier and the terrific hurricane of 1907 which washed the beaches clean.

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ROTARIANS HEAR FINANCE REPORT

State Treasurer Johnson Guest Speaker At Luncheon Meeting

"North Carolina is doing more for the average individual than any other state in the union," State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson of Raleigh, avowed candidate for the governorship in the 1948 election, told local Rotarians at their luncheon meeting at the Friendly yesterday.

After Fred Willets, Jr., had asked his father, Fred Sr., to introduce the gubernatorial candidate, Johnson told the club that the North Carolina government is different from any other state government in the union.

Elaborating on this point he declared that this State constructs and maintains its own state roads and that for nine months out of the year the state maintains its educational system.

Discusses Finances

Discussing the financial situation in North Carolina, on which he is rated an authority, Johnson said that there is \$25,000,000 in the highway liquidation fund, which is kept separate from the general fund.

In the general fund the State has \$51,500,000 set aside and there is no general fund debt. Fifty millions are earmarked for building and 30 millions for a postwar reserve fund.

Although North Carolina is "breaking under the same tax law under which it operated in 1940, its income in 1947 will be \$119,000,000 against \$41,000,000 in '41."

Fred Green, a former member of the local Rotary, was a visitor of the club. Bradford Wiggins and Floyd Williams were honored as junior Rotarians.

The club went on record as observing meatless Tuesday.

AFL Votes To Oust Lewis From Office

FOR CHARITY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 — (U.P.) — Former Secretary of State James F. Byrnes will not receive a penny from his sure-fire best-selling memoirs, "Speaking Frankly", published today.

All receipts from sale of the book and of serial rights syndicated to newspapers will go to the James F. Byrnes Foundation. It will provide scholarships for orphaned children to attend college. Byrnes' father died when he was a baby and his mother was unable to send him to college.

FLORIDA DAMAGE FIFTY MILLIONS

Typhoid-Laden Sewage Threatens Health Of West Palm Beach

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 14. — (U.P.) — Typhoid-laden sewage from overflowing septic tanks and choked drainage systems spread a fear of disease over flooded South Florida today and authorities ordered strict counter measures as it appeared the floodwaters were far from subsiding.

Damage, mounting hourly, had surpassed the \$50,000,000 mark.

The West Palm Beach city health officer "advised" some 6,000 residents of South and West sections to move out, after their septic tanks overflowed. Fifteen families were ordered from a West Miami location for the same reason.

A score of inoculation stations were opened along 120 miles of

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BUS-TRAIN COLLISION KILLS 12 YOUTHS IN WEST SWEDEN TOWN

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 14. — (U.P.) — A bus-train collision in a dense fog six miles south of Karlstad in Western Sweden today killed at least 12 young people between the ages of 15 and 25, all from the nearby village of Edsvalla.

The police superintendent at Karlstad said the death toll may reach 14 when identification is completed.

The entire village of Edsvalla went into mourning as parents and relatives aided in the grim task of identifying the victims.

Along The Cape Fear

BATTLE OF FORT FISHER

The holiday lull in the Federal attack on Fort Fisher did not last long. On January 13, 1865, a second fleet of 58 vessels under the command of Admiral Porter appeared off shore and began a furious bombardment of the fort which lasted three days.

In his official report of the battle for Fort Fisher, General Whiting writes:

"On Thursday night the enemy's fleet was reported off the fort. On Friday morning the fleet opened very heavily. On Friday and Saturday, during the furious bombardment of the fort, the enemy was allowed to land without molestation and to throw up a light line of field works from Battery Ramseyer to the river thus securing his position from molestation and making the fate of Fort Fisher, under the circumstances, but a question of time.

"On Sunday, the fire on the fort reached a pitch of fury to which no language can do justice. It was concentrated on the land face and front. In a short time nearly every gun was dismounted or disabled, and the garrison suffered severely by the fire.

"At three o'clock the enemy's land force, which had been gradually and slowly advancing, formed in two columns for assault. The garrison, firing the fiercest bombardment, was not able to stand to the parapets, and many of the reinforcements were obliged to be kept a great distance from the fort.

"As the enemy slackened his fire to allow the assault to take place, the men hastily manned the ramparts and gallantly repulsed the right column of assault.

"A portion of troops on the left had also repulsed the first rush to the left of the work. The greater portion of the garrison being, however, engaged on the right and not being able to man the entire work, the enemy succeeded in making a lodgment on the left flank, planting two of his regimental flags in the traverses.

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ENRAGED FATHER SLAYS DAUGHTER

Eldest Child Critically Injured From Beating With Hammer

NEWTON, Mass., Oct. 14. — (U.P.) — Because he opposed a daughter's wedding plans, a 44-year-old Newton widower shot and bludgeoned one daughter to death today, critically injured another by beating her with a hammer, and then tried to take his own life by swallowing acid.

In a police complaint, Fiore D'Antonio, a stone mason, was charged with murder in the death of his 14-year-old daughter, Nina, and with murderous assault on his daughter Mary, 18.

Nina, a Newton high school sophomore, died as a result of shotgun wounds in her back and a fractured skull sustained when she was beaten on the head with a hammer. D'Antonio and the bride-to-be, Mary, were hospitalized in critical condition.

Hospital authorities said Mary had suffered several broken head and face bones from hammer blows. The father, police said, swallowed nitric acid, used for cleaning machinery.

Authorities theorized that D'Antonio became angered last night when Mary told him she planned to marry Mario Pignatelli, 21, of Newton, a former Air Forces sergeant, late this month.

Pignatelli said he and Mary admitted to D'Antonio last night that they had spent the day shopping for wedding clothes in Boston where the girl was a

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And So To Bed

Rumors were flying thick and fast last night that the Atlantic View Pier had washed away.

Johnny Mercer, owner of the popular fishing spot opened the pier turned on the lights and proudly announced that it was still standing.

"If you don't believe it, just walk out there and see how steady it is," he told a pretty young miss.

She started out to look at the waves bashing at the end of the pier, suddenly the young lady slipped and fell flat on the hard boards of the pier.

Returning she said to Mercer, "It sure is steady," as she walked away brushing water off her raincoat.

Four-Year-Old Blows Real Scientific Bubble

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 14. — (U.P.) — Four-year-old Sally Colman huffed and puffed on a plastic bubble blower—and a new idea for atomic ray detection blew into her scientist-father's mind.

The tot's unsuccessful efforts to fashion a bubble from plastic at her birthday party prompted her father, Dr. John W. Colman, of the Westinghouse Research Laboratories, to aid her.

Dr. Colman said today the transparent plastic ended a long hunt for a "window" for the atomic ray detector he and a colleague, Dr. Fitz-Hugh B. Marshall, have devised.

The detection had to be a hundred times thinner than human hair, to admit nuclear rays of lowest intensity. It had to be strong enough to withstand coating of aluminum holed into a steam—to keep out unwanted light rays. The plastic bubble was.

Dr. Colman said the new atomic ray detector can count particles cast off by exploding atoms at the rate of 100,000 each second about 50 times faster than the standard geiger counter.