WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA — Partly cloudy, warm and humid. Gentle northeasterly winds.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Partly cloudy and continued warm. Possible afternoon showers.

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Auburn	7

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JASPER W. EFIRD DIES IN NEW YORK

Was Uncle Of Claude Efird, Wilmington Store Manager

CHARLOTTE, Oct. 18 — (AP)— Jasper W. Efird, 57, of Charlotte, vice-president and merchandise manager of the Efird department stores in North and South Carolina, died today in New York where he was on a business trip. He was the uncle of Claude Efird, manager of the Wilmington chain store.

The body will be brought here.

He had been manager of the Efird stores in Rock Hill, S. C., and Durham, and had his office in the Charlotte store.

Efird was a native of Anson county. Two of his five brothers. Edward L. Efird of Winston-Salem and J. Ray Efird of Columbia, S. C., died several years ago. The surviving brothers are J. B. and P. H. Efird of Charlotte and Sam M. Efird of Norwood. These five sisters survive; Mrs. Laura E. Harris of Concord, Mrs. Annie E. Shankle and Mrs. Bernice E. Turner of Anson county, Mrs. Bronnie E. Foreman of Salisbury and Mrs. Nell E. Denning of Albemarle.

The funeral will be conducted Monday at noon in Charlotte.

In Wilmington, Claude Efird, manager, said the local store would be closed all day monday, reopening as usual Tuesday morning.

"Louie" Strauss Cleared In Death Of His Partner

GLENBROOK, LAKE TAHOE, Nev., Oct. 18 — (AP) — "Russian Louie" Strauss was freed today of a charge that he killed Harry Sherwood, his partner in the ornate Tahoe Village gambling casino, Sept. 13.

Justice D. W. McCleery dismissed a formal murder charge against Strauss, 42, known in night spots on both East and West coasts, after reading the transcript of a day-long preliminary hearing yesterday. After the hearing, Strauss invited the whole courtroom to a feast, including drinks.

DUTCH WIN POINT

BATAVIA, Java, Oct. 18.—(AP) —The Netherlands won what appeared to be an important political victory today when 50 Indonesian leaders voted to cooperate in organizing a West Java government.

The Weather

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

TEMPERATURES

1:30 a.m. 70; 7:30 a.m. 69; 1:30 p.m. 80; 7:30 p.m. 72.

Maximum 82; Minimum 68; Mean 75; Normal 73.

HUMIDITY

1:30 a.m. 99; 7:30 a.m. 98; 1:30 p.m. 68; 7:30 p.m. 93.

PRECIPITATION

Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m. —0.00 inches.

Total since the First of the month—3.84 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY

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

	High	Low
Wilmington	12:59 a.m.	8:06 a.m.
	1:33 p.m.	8:50 p.m.
Masonboro Inlet	11:13 a.m.	4:42 a.m.
	11:18 p.m.	5:30 p.m.

Sunrise 6:20; Sunset 5:34; Moonrise 11:42 a.m.; Moonset 9:20 p.m.

River stage at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 a.m. Saturday, 10.2 feet.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Weather Bureau report of temperature and rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., in the principal cotton growing areas and elsewhere:

Station	High	Low	Prec.
WILMINGTON	82	68	
Asheville	80	57	
Atlanta	84	64	
Boston	82	65	
Buffalo	81	63	
Charlotte	84	63	
Chicago	77	62	
Denver	75	44	
Detroit	70	64	0.22
E. Paso	84	50	
Jacksonville	85	67	
Kansas City	80	57	
Key West	85	76	0.98
Los Angeles	77	56	
Memphis	76	68	0.18
Miami	86	72	
Minn.-St. Paul	72	53	
New Orleans	84	65	
New York	77	65	
Norfolk	80	66	
Phoenix	91	52	
Richmond	81	67	0.01
San Antonio	92	74	
San Francisco	71	50	
Savannah	87	66	
Seattle	59	47	0.54
Tampa	88	69	
Washington	79	68	

Carolina Press Association Dinner

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA newspaper editors and publishers are pictured in attendance at a luncheon given yesterday at the Cape Fear club by the Wilmington Star-News at which former Governor J. Melville Broughton told them of the necessity of developing state ports to effect a better balance of industry in the state. (Star-News Staff Photo)

Carrie L. Broughton State Library Complimentary

Press Association Hears Of Port Need

An analysis of the content of weekly and daily newspapers to determine readability indexes of news material, editorials, and feature material was presented to Eastern North Carolina editors and publishers yesterday at the morning session of their annual convention here.

The press association two-day meeting was brought to an end with a luncheon at which the Wilmington Star-News was host and former Governor J. Melville Broughton delivered an address.

Election of officers at the closing session saw T. J. Lassiter of the Smithfield Herald chosen as president to succeed Henry Belk of the Goldsboro News-Argus.

C. A. Eury of the New Bern Sun-Journal was elected first vice president and Leslie S. Thompson of the Whiteville News-Reporter was chosen second vice president. Mayor Parker of the Hertford County Herald was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Directors elected in addition to the new officers and retiring president were Mrs. E. F. McCullock of the Bladen Journal and J. Walter Webb, general manager of the Wilmington Star-News.

The analysis on newspaper content was presented by Robert C. Anderson of the Institute for Research in Social Science of the University of North Carolina.

It dealt with the amount of space devoted to local, state, regional and national news, feature material, advertising, editorial material, art work, and the general editorial policy fof the newspaper.

The three score editors and publishers in attendance gave their whole hearted endorsement to the projected tour of North Carolina next spring by members of the National Editorial association.

The full text of former Governor Broughton's address will be found on Page 9-B.

The necessary development of North Carolina's ports as a means of effecting a better balance of the state's industry was stressed by former Governor J. Melville Broughton in an address at the luncheon meeting of the Eastern North Carolina Press association at the Cape Fear club yesterday afternoon.

T. J. Lassiter of the Smithfield Herald, new association president, presided at the luncheon, at which the Wilmington Star-News was host. R. B. Page, Star-News publisher, introduced Broughton.

Broughton pointed out that 95 per cent of the state's industry is west of Raleigh ,and said that the economic unbalance of the eastern area of the state would be corrected greately by the development of Tar Heel ports.

He deviated from his original subject — North Carolina Ports and State Development—to point out weaknesses in the Eastern North Carolina economic structure.

There is a definite unbalance between agriculture and industry he declared as he emphasized the necessity for processing plants to handle crops grown in Eastern North Carolina.

He praised the work of the North Carolina State Ports Authority and said:

"Working under adverse conditions, R. B. Page, Wilmington publisher, accomplished what probably no other man in the state could do—receive an appropriation for an authority which was created to operate without funds."

He was high in his praise of the authority as a whole and pointed out that much cooperation has been given the authority's projects by upstate executives and manufacturers.

HURRICANE LATE ADVISORY GIVEN

Weather Bureau Says Coast To Miss New Storm

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 18—(AP)—The Weather Bureau issued the following hurricane advisory at 10:15 p. m. (EST):

"The hurricane was centered at latitude 25.1, longitude 70.4 or 610 miles south southwest of Bermuda at 10:15 p. m. (EST)."

It is moving northward about 14 miles per hour. Highest winds in a small area near the center are estimated at 120 miles per hour and winds of near hurricane force extended outward north and east of the center about 150 miles.

Storm should continue to move northward with about the same velocity and intensity for the next few hours but its course may change to northeast Sunday.

Present indications are that the storm will remain well to the east of all points on the U. S. coastline.

All ships in the projected path of the storm should exercise extreme caution for this is an intense hurricane.

AMERICAN GIRL ESCAPES REDS

Tells Of Hardships And Of Bribery By Her

FUERTH, Germany, Oct. 18—(AP)—Irma Mohaupt, 22-year-old American-born girl, of Cincinnati, told a story of escape after three years in a Russian work camp, how she walked until her feet were swollen, and eventually reached freedom in the American zone of Germany.

Now chubby and healthy, the girl's story began in Yugoslavia where she said her German-born father was killed before her eyes by partisans, and where she said she saw Soviet troops shoot six German soldiers on a dance-floor —then hold a dance on it.

The five-year story was ended by her own efforts, she said, after the U. S. State department was unable to accomplish her repatriation.

She finally escaped, she said, by bribing the prison commandant and the doctors with 500 rubles which she had earned by sewing at night.

Sec. Marshall Plan Given To Subgroup

Action Voted 38 To None, Four Nations Absent

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 18.—(AP) —The United Nation's assembly's political committee today tossed Secretary of State Marshall's plan for a year-around sitting of the assembly to a sub-committee but the Russian group announced it would boycott the whole proposal.

The committee adopted a proposal to send the "little assembly" plan to a subgroup by a vote of 38 to none, with four abstentions.

The Russian group which fought stubbornly against the idea until the actual ballot was taken, did not vote.

Joseph Bech of Luxembourg, chairman of the political committee, then announced a 15-member sub-committee to handle the Marshall Plan. He named Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, France, India, Lebanon, Mexico, The Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Britain, and the United States.

Soviet delegate Andrei A. Gromyko then announced that for reasons he had already given he could not participate in the work of the subcommittee. He had argued in debate that the Marshall proposal was "illegal" and contrary to the UN charter.

The Slav nations announced formally when the vote neared that they would refuse to participate in the ballot.

Four Arab states abstained—

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Five-Year-Old Boy, Man Fatally Hurt In Robeson County

LUMBERTON, Oct. 18—A 31-year-old East Lumberton man, and a five-year-old St. Pauls boy died today as a result of two automobile accidents which occurred several miles apart.

Robeson county Coroner D. W. Biggs said that no inquest was planned in either case, and that D. C. Fields and Bruce Sinclair, Negro, drivers of the death machines, will be brought directly before the grand jury when Superior court convenes Monday morning.

Fields is hald on a charge of manslaughter following the death of E. LeRoy MacMillan in the Lumberton hospital today.

Grady Pittman said that Fields was arrested on a charge of hit-and-run after MacMillan was found unconscious beside the street, near Fields' residence. MacMillan had been struck by a pick-up truck, police said.

Fields was placed under $1,000 bond, following MacMillan's death today.

Five-year-old Jimmy McCormick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arch McCormick, St. Pauls service station operator, was fatally injured this afternoon when he was struck by an automobile driven, police said, by Sinclair, and dragged 75 feet on the road. The Negro took the youth to a doctor but he died shortly afterward.

J. J. Kinlaw, deputy sheriff, and chief of police at St. Pauls arrested the Negro who was later released under bond.

Funeral rites for McMillan will be held from the home Monday at 4 p. m. by the Rev. Bailey C. Lewis. Interment will be in New Hollywood cemetery.

IDENTIFICATION MEN MEET HERE

Fingerprint Experts Take Dip In Ocean At Carolina

North Carolina members of the International Association for Identification, in the first day of a two day convention yesterday, found the weather at Carolina Beach warm enough for pleasant dips in the ocean.

The fingerprint experts were gathered for their fourth quarterly meeting of the year.

Most of the first day was spent in registering and renewing old acquaintences at the Bame hotel, where the convention has its headquarters.

Harry E. Fales, head of the Wilmington-New Hanover county bureau of identification, said a business meeting was scheduled for 11 a.m. today at the Palais Royal: Melvin Hoover, president, of Charlote, was to preside.

A meeting of the members' wives was scheduled for 11 a.m. in the Town Hall where Mrs. J. C. Layton, county juvenile clerk, was to address the women on problems of juvenile delinquency.

Fales said the association will elect officers at the January meeting in Charlotte.

Government Leaders Say Figure Low

Administration Spokesman Says May Have To Up Total

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—(AP)— Administration officials said today this country may have to increase rather than cut the $22,400,000,000 total of European requests under the Marshall Plan.

At the present stage of study, they emphasized, this is only a possibility — but one which is causing much concern to federal financial experts trying to reduce the cost before offering the program to an economy-seeking Congress.

These officials, who withheld the use of their names, told a reporter that they fear the 16 western European nations have overestimated that their ability to increase their own exports in the four-year period concerned, and are over-optimistic in foreseeing a 12 1-2 per cent drop in U. S. prices. Such a drop would better the buying power of their scant supplies of dollars.

A heavily Republican Congressional committee meanwhile returned from Europe with a demand for immeditae foreign aid under the Marshall Plan or a "similar plan."

Their statement, issued by Chairman Short (R.-Mo.) of the nine-member group of House appropriations and armed services committeemen, said American help must be forthcoming 'at the earliest possible time" to forestall a complete downfall of Europe. Seven members of the committee are Republicans.

A series of other developments in the administrtaion's drive to funnel food and goods to Europe marked the week-end. They were:

First, bakers in Des Moines, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh joined a growing movement toward higher bread prices. They announced 1-cent-a-loaf increases starting Monday in the two eastern cities, following similar news from Baltimore and New York yesterday. At Des Moines a 2-cent retail rise is scheduled. An American Bakers association official forecast privately that other cities might follow suit in view of wheat at $3.08 a bushel."

Second, Senator Barkley of Kentucky, Senate Democratic leader, saw President Truman and then told reporters he does not think Mr. Truman would hesitate to call a special session of Congress on European aid if necessary. Barkley — another traveler newly home from Europe—said he saw many underfed and ill-clad people.

Third, a decision on whether to abandon eggless and poultryless Thursdays from the citizens food committee grain-saving drive is expected Monday, when Chairman Charles Luckman meets here with poultry producers and feed industry spokesmen. Poultrymen and a number of Congress members have branded the diet-day a mistake, contending that unkilled chicken simply go on eating grain.

Fourth, the Citizens Food committee announced the launching of what it called the greatest consumer service ever attempted" to help consumers cope with the problem of high food prices" while contributing to the food-saving drive.

Flash Flood Does Huge City Damage

GALAX, Va., Oct. 18—(AP)—Seven houses were washed away and 150 families were forced from their homes early today as a flash flood tore down narrow Chesnut creek into this southwest Virginia town causing damage estimated by Mayor Ross C. Penrey at from two to three million dollars.

No casualties were reported.

Ironically, the flood knocked out the town's pumping system and by early afternoon the 3,000 residents were without drinking water.

The crest of the flood struck shortly after midnight.

The Norfolk and western railway canceled all service.

Red Cross workers moved in early in the day and set up headquarters to care for the homeless.

The main street of Galax, and particularly the upper part of the town, was a scene of confusion as chickens, hogs and cattle driven by high waters, wandered about.

SLAVE LIST VALUABLE

NEW YORK, Oct. 18—(AP)—A list of "Negroes belonging to George Washington" today brought $1,400 in an auction.

Marshall Pleads For World Patience On Path To Peace

EASTON, Pa., Oct. 18—(AP)— Secretary of State Marshall pleaded today for world-wide patience as the United Nations struggled to find the path to peace.

Marshall, in a speech at La-Fayette college founder's day exercises, said the U.N.'s work should be considered "in the light of how human beings proceed."

NEW FRENCH CRISIS

PARIS, Oct. 18—(AP) — The French cabinet met in emergency session to try to end the six-day-old Paris subway bus strike.

PETRILLO TO QUIT RECORD MAKING

Industry Says It Has Enough On Hand For Two Years

CHICAGO, Oct. 18—(AP)—James C. Petrillo announced today that union musicians would be barred from making any records or radio transcriptions after December 31, but recording industry sources said they anticipated the move an dhad enough unissued records to last from one to two years.

The fiery boss of the AFL Federation of Musicians said his 225,000 members were "destroying themselves" by making records and transcriptions and added, "There will never be any more phonograph records or transcriptions made by members of the musicians union."

The ban, which Petrillo said was voted unanimously by the union's executive board in a closed session, brought a quick reaction from trade sources in the industry.

"The big three — Columbia, RCA-Victor and Decca — have been making records so rapidly in recent months, both here and abroad, that they can continue to issue records for at least two years," said one man in New York long associated with the industry.

PEOPLE ANXIOUS TO AVERT WAR, SEN. HOEY CLAIMS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18—(AP)— People are so anxious to prevent another war, Senator Hoey, (D-NC) said today, that he doubts rationing "will be necessary in our present food conservation efforts to preserve peace and to aid suffering peoples."

Hoey expressed belief in an interview that a resolution adopted by directors of the General Federation of Women's Clubs board urging 3,000,000 club members to create local organizations for food saving will make the rationing laws unnecessary.

U. S. Chamber Views Taxes As Threatening Future Prosperity

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18—(AP)— The Chamber of Commerce of the United States declared tonight that "the combined burden of federal, state and local taxation offers an ominous threat to future prosperity."

It made this observation in an analysis of the outlook as to expenditures, taxes and the public debt during the fiscal year 1949, which begins next July.

R. A. BRITT SNAGS LARGE BLACK DRUM AT WRIGHTSVILLE

A fighting black drum, that pushed the scales down to 15 pounds and 12 ounces, was pulled from the surf at the northern end of Wrightsville Beach late last night by R. A. Britt, 11-C, Lake Forest.

The 38-inch beauty was weighed and measured by Johnny Mercer, owner of the Atlantic View Fishing pier, who said, "It's the biggest black drum I've seen this year."

Britt entered his prize catch with the SENCBA Fishing Rodeo.

His companion, C. F. Gower, 3-C, Lake Forest, hauled in a baby, two and one-half pound black drum. A third companion fisherman, L. W. Parker, 516 N. Fifth street, just went along for the ride. He didn't catch anything.

Report Bevin Asks Spain Get Aid

LONDON, Oct. 18—(AP)—A well-informed Latin American diplomat said today that Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin had advised two Spanish leaders that Britain wants Spain included in the Marshall plan but with Generalissimo Franco and the Communists excluded from the Spanish government.

The informant said Bevin had so informed Indalecio Prieto, exiled Spanish socialist leader, and Jose Maria Gil Robles, Spanish monarchist, and that the two anti-Franco leaders were well advanced on plans for formation of a coalition now that Bevin has given them a "go ahead" signal.

The coalition, the informant said, is intended to succeed Sranco, if and when his regime collapses, as an interim government which would preside over new general elections and a plebiscite to decide on a Republic or monarchial form of government.

Both Prieto and Gil Robles, when questioned today, claimed to have ignored each other's presence here, though they are reported to have met.

FORTY-ONE BELIEVED DEAD IN FRENCH PLANE CRASH IN WATER

PARIS, Oct. 18—(AP)—Forty-one persons were believed today to have been killed in the crash of a French plane in the Mediterranean sea.

The company operating the plane said two persons, the pilot and another crew member, had been rescued.

Greeks Seize All Communist Newspapers; Mrs. Truman Sued In Auto Crash Death

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 18—(AP)— Certified copies of a $10,000 damage suit, brought in a state court and naming the President's wife, Mrs. Harry S. Truman, as one of the defendants, were called for by the U. S. District court here today.

Circuit Judge Ben Terte directed the clerk of the court to carry out requirements of the writ of certiorari at once.

The law suit was filed Dec. 5, 1946, after a motor car driven by Henry J. Nicholson and owned by Mrs. Truman allegedly was involved in an accident with a car driven by Mrs. Nelle Motley Pearson, Auxvasse, Mo., who brought the suit.

The plaintiff's husband, Dr. John R. Pearson, was a passenger in the car driven by Mrs. Pearson and died from injuries allegedly suffered in the accident which occurred near Warrenton, Mo., June 8, 1946. Mrs. Truman was not in her car at the time.

Nicholson was identified in the writ as an official of the United States Secret Service of the Treasury department.

Sikes Isn't Surprised That Wallace Is Leader

By JOHN SIKES

WALLACE, Oct. 18.—It ain't no wonder to me that this big little farmers' town is heading toward its biggest tobacco season of any year.

It may sound like what the snootier sophisticates call corn, but this is the pullingest together place I've ever been in.

All the folks are pitching in with their active moral support—and most of them with their active physical support—toward at least a couple of common ends: 1.) Highest possible prices to farmers for their tobaccos; 2.) Highest number of pounds in history sold on the Wallace market for one year, a goal of 15,000,000 pounds.

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ORMA JEAN WILLIS FEATURED SOLIST ON RADIO TODAY

A musical program, featuring Orma Jean Willis, soloist soprano, was scheduled for the Voice of Wilmington radio program today over station WMFD at 1:30 p. m.

The program will be broadcast from the St. James Episcopal church, according to Ben MacDonald, producer and narrator.

Dell McGowan will be the instrumentalist, and W. G. Robinson will be at the organ. J. T. Hiers will be the guest speaker.

CONSTITUTION 150 OLD

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18—(AP)— The Navy's best known warship the USS Constitution, will celebrate her 150th anniversary Tuesday.

ATHENS, Oct. 18—(AP) —Greek police seized all Communist newspapers and periodicals tonight.

Police occupied the offices of the Communist party newspaper Rizospastis, and the headquarters of the weekly Elleftheria Ellada, published by the communist - dominated coalition EAM (National Liberation Front).

Under a suspension law signed by King Paul last night all the property of the newspapers will be confiscated. The law is directed against newspapers which "serve" the guerrilla rebellion.

A large crowd outside the Rizospastis offices cheered when the newspaper's sign was taken down and its furniture was removed. Similar action was taken against the newspaper's printing establishment several blocks away.

Athens newspapers earlier reported a shakeup in the Greek high command by a military council meeting which opened two days ago at Volos.