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Milk Control Laws Lauded

Public Health Association Speakers Cite Protection To Consumer

CHARLOTTE, Nov. 4.—(AP)—The control of milk for the protection of the health of the state's consuming public occupied the attention of the North Carolina Public Health Association at today's sessions of the 36th annual convention being held here.

An eight-man panel discussing the new milk control program which became effective September 1 generally agreed that the "minimum standards" being enforced jointly by local health departments and the State Department of Agriculture will protect the public from "doctored" and unsanitary milk if education and control are applied together properly on the local level.

But one of the biggest problems, it was pointed out, is the proper control of the more than 65,000,000 pounds of milk imported into the state annually.

Dr. E. W. Constable, state chemist with the Department of Agriculture, said the \$15,000 which the General Assembly appropriated for enforcing milk regulations from the state level each year of the current biennium "does not seem a particularly imposing coverage" when spread over the 100 counties.

Small Operators
C. W. Pegram, chief of the dairy division of the agriculture department, said that eight hearings have been held since Sept. 1 with producers whose milk samples indicated watering. They were "mostly small operators," he said.

Pegram pointed to the need of "more adequate supervision of the finished milk product"—ice cream and milk drinks which he said are often kept in refrigerated water which in effect constitutes a "bacteria broth."

Though the General Assembly killed the State Health department's bill to control milk statewide, Robert L. Caviness, the board's sanitary engineer, told the convention "we will get what we desired in that bill."

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ROTARIANS HEAR CIGARETTE STORY

Ralph Hanson Gives Facts, Figures On Growing Part Of Leaf Industry

Consumption of cigarettes in the United States doubled during the war years and a predicted postwar decline has not yet been noted, Ralph Hanson, representative of the Philip Morris research department from New York City, told local Rotarians at their luncheon meeting yesterday.

According to Hanson, 181 billion cigarettes were consumed in this country in 1940, and that number had increased to 324 billion by 1945. Last year United States smokers consumed 35 billion cigarettes.

"In that shortage year when you will remember that there were long lines and we all stood in them to get cigarettes," he said, "there were actually 30 billion more cigarettes consumed in the United States than in the year before."

Pointing to the cigarette as the junior member of the enormous tobacco industry in the size of unit, Hanson declared that it is junior in size of unit only having "reached a position of dominance in the tobacco family after being originated as late as 1850."

Hanson traced briefly the processes of tobacco raising, harvesting and curing, bringing in both flue cured and air cured tobaccos and including also Turkish blending tobaccos, which he explained are cured in the rafters of the homes of Syrians by smoke from the cooking and household fires.

Until the advent of the last war, he said the United States was dependent on a French monopoly for all cigarette paper. This, he said, was overcome on the day the war started, September 1, 1939.

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The Weather

FORECAST:
South Carolina and North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness and mild Wednesday night. Scattered showers Wednesday afternoon. Thursday clearing and slightly cooler.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday:
Total: 1.30 a. m. 58; 7:30 a. m. 54; 1:30 p. m. 62; 7:30 p. m. 63; Maximum 71; Minimum 53; Mean 62; Normal 60.

PRECIPITATION
Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 0.70 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY
(From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.)
Wilmington—2:33 a. m. 9:51 a. m. 12:31 p. m. 6:40 a. m. 1:07 p. m. 7:36 p. m.
Moonset 11:27 p. m.
Sunrise 6:36; Sunset 5:16; Moonrise 11:20 p. m.
River stage at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 a. m. Tuesday 18.7 feet.

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ORCHESTRA LEADER Eddy Duchin smiles at his son, Peter. Eddy's new stepmother, Mrs. Maria Teresa Winn, the pianist and Mrs. Winn were married at the New York home of Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman. Peter's mother died in 1937. Bride is daughter of a former British diplomat.

Sales Tax To Stay Johnson Predicts

WHAT? NO BULLETS

HARLAN, Ky., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Election day in Harlan county was once an occasion for shooting and violence. The only rumpus reported today, however, was caused by a goat that bucked two women and a child, blocked the door of the polling place in Tway precinct and held up voting for two hours until a deputy sheriff corralled him and restored order.

TEXTILE WORKERS READY TO STRIKE

Three Thousand At Greensboro Will Heed Call For Thursday

GREENSBORO, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Six local unions representing approximately 3,000 workers at Cone mills here and in Haw River, Gibsonville and Reidsville have voted unanimously to follow strike orders Thursday.

The declaration was made here late today by Bruno Rantane of Textile Workers Union of America (C.I.O.).

"Any strike at the Cone mills will be called not only on the question of wages," a union spokesman added, "but will also involve renewal of contract."

Once called, the strike without agreement as to contract as well as on T.W.U.A.'s demand for an hourly wage increase of 15 cents, Rantane, manager of Greensboro Burlington joint board of T.W.U.A., stated.

The industry crisis developed following a meeting in Danville Sunday, at which C. I. O. Textile Union officials voted to strike Thursday if demands for the 15 cents hourly increase had not then been met.

ASHEVILLE WETS SCORE VICTORY

ABC Forces Carry 19 Of City's 24 Precincts; Outstanding Vote

ASHEVILLE, Nov. 4.—(AP)—The City of Asheville today voted in favor of the establishment of legal whisky stores, complete but unofficial returns early tonight showed.

Unofficial returns from all of the city's 24 precincts gave 8,852 votes for and 6,143 votes against the stores, a majority of 2,709 for the ABC proponents.

Election officials reported it was the largest vote cast in the city's history. ABC forces carried 19 of the city's 24 precincts.

Asheville was the fifth Western North Carolina area to vote on the ABC issue during the past six months. Rowan and Alleghany counties and the City of Hickory voted dry but Mecklenburg county favored the stores.

In the last referendum of the question held in 1939, voters of the city favored the stores but the vote was nullified by a heavy dry vote in rural areas of Buncombe county. The vote today was restricted to the city itself.

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Hughes Plane Orphan Child

Huge Flying Boat May Go To Surplus As Services Don't Want It

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Howard Hughes' \$25,000,000 wooden flying boat, target of a Senate war contract investigation which resumes here tomorrow, may have to be sold as government surplus because the Army, Navy and Air Forces apparently do not want the huge ship, it was disclosed tonight.

A spokesman for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which spent \$18,000,000 on the experimental, eight-engine flying boat and holds title to it, said that none of the armed services has shown any interest in taking it off RFC's hands.

Unless they come forward with an offer by the time tests have been completed on the plane, the spokesman said, it probably will have to be turned over to the War Assets Administration and disposed of as surplus property.

Hughes, millionaire movie-producer and plane-builder demonstrated Sunday that the 200-ton plane could fly, but the military services had no official observers on hand for the tests and they indicated that as far as they were concerned RFC could keep it.

Navy Department spokesmen said they have "no professional interest" in the Hughes plane.

Keeping Tabs
The Air Forces said they had never had any connection with the flying boat contract and had opposed it from the beginning.

They said they were interested in the tests only to the extent that they keep tabs on all aircraft developments.

Hughes originally went into the project with industrialist Henry K. Kaiser with the announced intention of mass-producing plywood flying boats as cargo or troop carriers. Kaiser withdrew later, however, when the government cut back the order to a single experimental plane.

Hughes testified at the initial Senate hearings last summer that he never had guaranteed that the plane would fly.

Hughes, who claims he poured \$7,000,000 of his own money into the design and construction of the aerial boat, has been recalled to Washington for the second round of the Senate inquiry into his wartime airplane contracts.

Chairman Homer Ferguson, See HUGHES on Page Two

VA GROUP MOVES TO SOUTHPORT

Inspection Board Views Three Sites Here For 1,000 Bed Hospital

Having seen three more possible sites in Wilmington for the proposed 1,000 bed neuropsychiatric hospital, the Veterans Administration's inspection board moved on to Southport at lunchtime yesterday, where they inspected government property at Fort Caswell and other possible sites.

The four Va representatives saw a total of six sites in and around Wilmington. They had the cooperation while here of a Wilmington hospital committee composed of Chamber of Commerce Secretary John Farrell; City Manager James Benson; County Commissioners Chairman Addison Hewitt; City Engineer M. Von Oesen; Commander Charles Foard and Larry Schneider of the American Legion; VFW Commander Ken Noble; rector Hugh Morton; Star-News Publisher R. B. P a g e

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Along The Cape Fear

DR. ALVIN WILEY — During the decade of 1850 to 1860, educational developments in Wilmington centered around the activity and character of one man, Dr. Calvin H. Wiley. He inaugurated many needed reforms and made provisions for preparing teachers for their work and giving them some guarantee of security. The culmination of his efforts was the emergence of a new school system which gave some promise of stability and accomplishment.

In addition to the Wilmington schools at that time, New Hanover county boasted such schools as New Hanover Academy founded in 1833, Rock Fish academy, 1834, Black Creek Female institution, 1846, and Topsail, Union, and Rocky Point schools at Rocky Point.

A free school was opened in the old Union school house on South Sixth street between Nun and Church streets during the winter of 1865-66, supported by the Soldiers' Memorial society, of Boston.

Under the auspices of the American Unitarian association and the Soldiers' Memorial so-

Truman Will Get Marshall Plan In Detail By Friday; Democrats Take Kentucky

Stennis Has Lead For Bilbo Mantle

Republicans Reelect Philadelphia Mayor: Labor Loses Seats

BULLETIN

JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Circuit Judge John C. Stennis, the most conservative candidate in a field of five Democrats, was apparently winning the late Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo's place in the Senate tonight and Rep. John E. Rankin was running fifth.

By The Associated Press
Circuit Judge John C. Stennis, who soft pedaled the race issue in his campaign, pulled into a narrow lead yesterday for the Senate seat of the late Theodore G. Bilbo of Mississippi.

And in the Border state of Kentucky, the Democrat trying for the Republican-occupied governor's chair pushed ahead in early returns.

The Mississippi Senate and Kentucky gubernatorial races rated top national interest in scattered off-year elections.

In New York, a smattering of early returns gave the expected support for a \$400,000,000 bonus for veterans. And in New York City, first tabulations raised an 8 to 5 edge against keeping the present method of choosing city councilmen.

Rain held down the balloting in some parts of the East and Northeast.

With the help of votes from his home county, Judge Stennis led five other candidates in the battle for the Bilbo Senate seat.

Trailing him were U. S. Representative William M. Colmer, Paul B. Johnson, Jr., Forrest Jackson, U. S. Representative John E. Rankin, and the only Republican, L. R. Collins.

Clements Takes Lead
The Kentucky gubernatorial scrap saw U. S. Rep. Earle C. Clements, shove into an early lead over Republican Eldon S. Dummit. The present Republican governor, Simeon S. Willis, is ineligible for a second term in a row.

Clements increased his margin as the returns came in from Jefferson county (Louisville), which the GOP had claimed in advance. And he even led Dummit in the latter's own county, Fayette.

Kentucky's Republican National Committeeman Jouett Ross See STENNIS on Page Two

GROWERS DISCUSS 1948 CROP TODAY

Flue-Cured Acreage Size Cut Will Be Main Meeting Topic

RALEIGH, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Tobacco growers, confronted with a drastic reduction in their foreign markets, will assemble here tomorrow to present their views on how much flue-cured tobacco they should raise next year.

The public hearing was called by the U. S. Department of Agriculture to study the question of tobacco acreage quotas for next year, and will be attended by farm organization leaders, representatives of tobacco warehousemen, and state and federal agricultural officials in addition to the growers.

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Spot Has Taken His Last Engine Ride-He Missed

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 4.—Spot, a little five-year-old mongrel, has ridden his last switch engine.

The shaggy dog was owned by the Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron Co., but he belonged to everybody.

His main delight was in riding switch engines on the forward foot-board at terminal station here. Few railroad men passed through here without getting to know him.

Yesterday, Spot was dashing



THE ONLY WOMAN "SPELUNKER" in Pittsburgh is attractive Mrs. Norma Lee Fisher who is getting a bit of hat-fitting aid from her two-year-old son, Freddy. Her husband is Robert Fisher, head of the recently organized Grotto of the Speleological Society, which majors in cave hunting and exploring. The chapeau she is trying on is fashioned for a forthcoming expedition of the group.

Laymen Start Move To Unite Classes

SOME WOMAN

DES MOINES, Nov. 4.—(AP)—A woman who police said admitted shoplifting such articles as a wardrobe, trunk, combination radio-phonograph, delicate dishware and wearing apparel was charged with larceny today.

Detective Chief Paul Castelline said Ann B. Baily, 27, five and a half feet tall and weighing 126 pounds, signed a statement telling... she carried the radio-phonograph, and later the trunk, down a flight of stairs, out of the store and then hailing a cab.

CHEST CAMPAIGN DRIVE UNDERWAY

Leaders Address Final Kickoff Group Meeting; \$119,996 Needed

The Red Feather campaign of the 1947 Community Chest to solicit \$119,996 before November 18, officially began yesterday after the joint kickoff meeting of the Residential and County and the Men's Downtown divisions.

The three divisions completed the 10 meetings of the pre-campaign which were held separately because of the size of the campaign.

The Rev. Walter B. Freed, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, addressed the members of the Women's Residential and County division joint kick off meeting at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in the Lutheran church.

Their goal was \$6,000 and \$3,000 respectively.

Charles M. Harrington, general campaign chairman, gave the members a brief resume of the Community Chest work.

Chairman Mrs. Berenice Stelling and Mrs. Harry M. Wellott presided.

H. A. Marks, chest president, spoke to the Men's division members yesterday in the Tide Water assembly hall. Marks was introduced by chairman Gardner Greer and their goal is \$6,000.

Harrington stressed the importance of closing the campaign on time this year and added that the past two campaigns, although successful, did not close on the scheduled date.

"Because of the needs of various organizations affiliated with the Community Chest, we must go over the goal and we plead for help and increases from the people who gave money last year," Harrington said.

He added that unless the businessmen contribute freely, that it will be necessary to call on

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Federation Of Men's Bible Study Groups May Be Launched Here

A meeting of Christian laymen, for the purpose of organizing a Federation of Men's Bible classes, will be held here in the First Baptist church, November 23, according to an announcement last night by Otto Pridgen, associate teacher of Dr. Smith's class.

The Federation of Men's Bible classes, Pridgen said is a national interdenominational organization of Christian men.

"The plan and purpose of the organization," Pridgen said, "is to create and promote mutual understanding, good will, Christian friendship and fellowship between men of our established churches, assisting each other in proving ways and means for encouraging and enlarging the teaching and studying of the Holy Bible."

Monthly Meetings
Pridgen said that the program would include "monthly meetings which have proven in other cities to be great instrumentalities for community worship and Christian brotherhood."

He stressed the fact that "this is strictly a layman's movement and we are looking forward to the whole-hearted cooperation of Men's Bible classes throughout the city."

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U. S. CITIES OFFER A-BOMB TARGETS

Census Bureau Warns Of Vulnerability Of Metropolitan Areas

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—(AP)—The United States is increasingly vulnerable to atomic bomb warfare because of the growing concentration of its population into large cities, the Census Bureau warned tonight.

Assessing the danger to the 40 per cent or more of the nation's population which is clustered around 140 cities of over 100,000, the bureau said:

"The physical structure of such cities is, with few exceptions, ideal for destructions by A-bombs."

The bureau's comments were made in a 60-page analysis of the growth of metropolitan areas from 1900 to 1940.—The trend toward concentration of population appears to be continuing, the bureau said, on the basis of a sample census survey last April.

One observation on which the bureau laid stress was that the native white population in large cities "is not reproducing itself," hence failing to do its part in maintaining the size of the population.

about the yards as he has done for several years. A switch engine lumbered toward him and Spot jumped for his perch on the footboard. But this time he missed and the engine passed over his body.

A veterinarian built a special casket and today Spot lay in state in the Sloss-Sheffield laboratory. Five floral wreaths were placed on the casket.

Spot will be buried tomorrow in a grave near the main Sloss office building.

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\$6,000,000,000 First Year Goal

Broad Outlines Of European Aid Program Already Achieved

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—(AP)—Government officials disclosed tonight that in the last 48 hours the broad outlines and many of the details of the Marshall European recovery plan have been whipped into shape for Congressional action.

Following an intensive day and night schedule, experts working on the plan said it would be presented to President Truman and his cabinet for final approval Thursday or Friday.

The first year goal of the program has been set between \$6,000,000,000 and \$7,000,000,000—the amount that Congress will be asked to appropriate for the beginning of the Marshall plan. Specific estimates for 1949, 1950 and 1951 will be prepared as the program progresses.

In answer to requests from many Congressmen for a four-year estimate of American aid necessary to save Western Europe from chaos, the administration's tentative figure has been set at \$16,500,000,000.

Herter Plan
It was revealed, meantime, that Rep. Christian A. Herter, R., Mass., is prepared to propose a plan to create a government corporation to handle all foreign relief under close Congressional inspection.

Herter headed a special House committee which made an on-the-spot study of Europe's relief needs this summer. His group meets tomorrow.

At the same time, Undersecretary of State Robert A. Lovett conferred with Senate President

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TOBACCO PRICES SAG ON MARKETS

Losses Are Small For Most Part As Export Buyers Stay Off Floors

By The Associated Press
Tobacco prices were generally lower on flue-cured tobacco markets yesterday as buyers for export companies continued to remain off the markets.

Prices on the Eastern Belt were steady to lower, the Federal and State Agriculture Departments reported. Declines ranged from \$.50 to \$.40 per hundred pounds but mostly were from \$1 to \$.20. Losses were heavier and more numerous in leaf grades which made up the bulk of export sales. Smoking leaf, cutters and lugs were unchanged to \$1 lower. Low orange leaf, good orange lugs and a few nondescripts were about \$1 higher.

A large amount of fine tobacco was offered on the markets but was offset by an increased proportion of common leaf and nondescript. Leaf and smoking leaf made up the bulk of the sales. On Monday the growers sold 8,026,148 pounds for an average of \$46.73 per hundred, a gain of \$.40 over last Tuesday.

Old Belt Report
On the Old Belt prices were irregular to slightly lower. Changes for leaf and smoking leaf ranged from .50 to \$.30 with both gains and losses represented. Cutters, primings and nondescript fluctuated \$1 to \$.20 and most lugs were down \$1 to \$.20 with fair orange lugs off \$.40 for the greatest loss.

Quality of the offerings was

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And So To Bed

The "And So To Bed" Editor today received a card in the mail from a fisherman here for the SENCBA rodeo who signed his name as "Offshore" Ormsby.

Offshore offers to all Nimrods the following summary of his experience in a lifetime of fishing, claiming it has several new "angles" for the anglers. The experience of "Offshore" was summed up as follows:

"When the wind is in the North, the Southern fisherman will not venture forth!"

"When the wind is in the East, fishing is not fit for man nor beast."

"When the wind is in the South, it blows the bait out of the fish's mouth."

"When the wind is in the West, the fishing is the very best!"

P. S. "Offshore" hails from California.