

Wilmington and vicinity: Clearer and cooler today preceded by showers in morning; fair and cooler at night; Sunday fair and cool.

Deadlock May Join Germany

U. S. Britain Tentatively Agree To Unite Western Part Of Nation

LONDON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Authoritative government quarters said today that Britain and the United States have tentatively agreed to unite Western Germany politically as well as economically early next year if the Four-Power Foreign Ministers Council fails to settle the peace terms.

These informants said it was "virtually certain" that the French zone would be brought into the already economically merged British and American zones and that a "provisional parliament" would be appointed by occupation officials if Russia continues to balk at an agreement.

Earlier, a Foreign Office spokesman declared Britain is "particularly anxious" for success of the Four-Power Council which convenes here Nov. 25 to take up the German and Austrian treaties. He refused to confirm or deny that British-American talks had taken place on the subject of a separate German government, limiting himself to the statement that he did not know of any "formal discussions."

Little Hope Looms

Russian Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov's Moscow speech yesterday seemed to offer little hope of agreement on Germany. Other sources noted, unless the Western powers are prepared to abandon some of the views they held to most stubbornly throughout the abortive Moscow conference.

Molotov again accused Britain and the United States of violating the Yalta and Potsdam decisions on such questions as demilitarization of Germany and payment of reparations by Germany.

This speech, a Foreign Office spokesman said, was "rather an unfortunate onslaught" on Anglo-American policy, especially on the virtual eve of the Council meeting and while the Deputy Foreign Ministers actually were sitting down for a series of meetings to prepare the

VFW WOMEN READY FOR POPPY SALE

Mayor White Opens Annual One-Day Drive By Buying First Flower

Today is "Buddy Poppy" day in Wilmington as the Veterans of Foreign Wars, with the cooperation of civic organizations, conduct their campaign of selling the little red flowers for the purpose of aiding disabled war veterans.

The first of the small flowers, which are made by the disabled veterans in hospitals and other recuperation points, was sold to Mayor E. L. White yesterday in State pre-sale ceremonies.

The mayor purchased the flower for his lapel from Mrs. Alberta Varner, Greensboro, state president of the VFW auxiliary. Mrs. Varner, who chose Wilmington as the scene of the pre-sale ceremonies for 1947, pinned the flower on Mayor White.

Mrs. Varner was welcomed to Wilmington by Mrs. Katherine Zatkiewicz, sales campaign chairman, and Mrs. Mabel Langley, local auxiliary president. She was accompanied by them and by VFW Commander Ken Noble in making the first sale at the mayor's office.

State VFW Commander E. C. Snead expressed himself yesterday as pleased with the cooperation afforded by civic groups in the campaign.

The Weather

FORECAST:
South Carolina — Clearing Saturday preceded by showers. East portion Saturday morning, in South portion fair and cooler. Saturday night with frost. North portion, Sunday fair and cool.
North Carolina — Clearing and cooler Saturday morning. Fair and cooler Saturday night with frost in interior. Sunday fair and cool.
Metereological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday:
TEMPERATURES
1:30 a. m. 55; 7:30 a. m. 57; 1:30 p. m. 70; 7:30 p. m. 69; Maximum 70; Minimum 54; Mean 62; Normal 58.
HUMIDITY
1:30 a. m. 83; 7:30 a. m. 87; 1:30 p. m. 61; 7:30 p. m. 74.
PRECIPITATION
Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 0.0 inches.
Total since the first of the month 0.70 inches.
TIDES FOR TODAY
(From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.)
Wilmington — High 12:34 a. m., 6:22 p. m.; Low 12:57 a. m., 6:53 p. m.
Masonboro Inlet — 3:52 a. m., 10:04 a. m., 4:13 p. m., 10:25 p. m.
Sunrise 6:38; Sunset 5:14; Moonrise 2:08; Moonset 5:10p.
More WEATHER on Page Two

Committee Releases "Poultryless Thursdays"

Luckman Announces "Poultryless Thursdays" Following Approval By President Of New Industry Program; Eggless Thursdays

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The Citizens Food Committee announced today that a "moratorium" on poultryless Thursdays will become effective immediately.

The action followed a "Hens For Harry" campaign started by angry chicken raisers, who sent crates of birds here, explaining that they couldn't sell them and couldn't afford to feed them.

A joint announcement by Charles Luckman, chairman of the President's food committee, and Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, said it is estimated that 56,000,000 bushels of grain will be saved by a new grain saving program for the poultry industry which has been approved by President Truman.

Leaf Purchase Program May Not Be Carried Out

TOWNS GONE

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Thirteen small Peruvian settlements were washed away by high waves from the swollen Rio Pangoa river caused by landslides resulting from last week's earthquake, a photographer sent by the Associated Press reported today.

The number of deaths was unknown. The villages, populated chiefly by seasonal agricultural workers, were named as Bellavista, San Pedro, San Antonio, Rio Negro, San Antonio, La Victoria, Mariposa, Santa Ana, Santa Liviana, San Dionisio, Santa Rosita, Calabanza and Coyaobaro.

FLANDERS FAVORS MEAT RATIONING

Vermont Senator However, Would Shun Price Control At Present

SPRINGFIELD, Vt., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Meat rationing without price controls was proposed today by Senator Ralph E. Flanders (R-Vt) as the only way he knew to check spiraling prices.

Flanders, who headed a Congressional inquiry into high living costs in the East, said meat was the "key" to the whole situation.

GEORGIA LAWYER KILLED IN FALL

Charles S. Reid, Former Chief Justice Plunges To Death In Atlanta

ATLANTA, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Charles S. Reid, 49, former chief justice of the Georgia Supreme court, plunged to death from a downtown office building.

A few hours earlier, Fulton county court records showed he had been served with a suit charging the mismanagement of the estate of which the Georgia Baptist Children's Home was a beneficiary.

Reid's body landed on a second floor wing of the building in which he had a law office on the 12th floor. His office window was open. F. E. Huckaby, life insurance agent whose office is on a lower floor, saw the body hurtle past shortly before 9 A. M., and summoned police.

Light-Fingered Limies Lift Loot In London

LONDON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Smash-and-grab looters operated in force against store windows and show cases today, virtually unmolested in an impending fog.

Retired Air Force General Denies Asking Hughes For \$50,000 Loan; Cabinet Checks Final Aid Report

Douglas Returns For Conferences

Data On Possible American Help To Europe To Be Released Today

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—President Truman checked over final details of the billions-for-Europe program with his cabinet today, with emphasis on the critical question: how much can the United States spend on foreign aid without jeopardizing the American economy?

In an hour-long session, the President and his inner circle scrutinized a report on this key phase of the proposed \$22,400,000,000 Marshall plan. The report was submitted by Secretary of Commerce Harriman.

Cabinet members, who carried copies of the report with them as they left the White House, withheld comment. The report will be made public at 6 p. m. (EST) tomorrow.

With Secretary of State Marshall and other top administration officials scheduled to outline their foreign-aid proposals before Senate and House committees on Monday, the tempo of fitting the huge and complicated pieces of relief machinery into place quickened perceptibly today.

Major developments included: 1. Secretary Marshall called home Lewis Douglas, U. S. ambassador to Britain, who has

FRIENDSHIP TRAIN STARTS JOURNEY

Hollywood Notables Take In Ceremonies As Cars Move Off

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 7.—(AP)—In a spectacular gesture of American good-will to less fortunate lands beyond the sea, the Friendship Train leaves here amid traditional Hollywood ceremony tonight on a cross-country journey to collect food for starving Europe.

The train, expected to comprise eight food-laden boxcars and 15 flat cars bearing gay floats, will chug down Hollywood Boulevard. After being speeded on its way in a program which scores of film notables will participate.

It heads for the union terminal where the float cars will be uncoupled, and the actual start made at 11 p. m. (PST). Film Producer Harry M. Warner, chairman of the Friendship Train committee, said early response indicates the plan may raise 200 or more carloads of food for shipment abroad.

Among those participating in the send-off will be Gov. Earl Warren of California; Gov. Ingram Stainback of Hawaii; Mayor George Welsh, Grand Rapids, Mich., president of the American Mayors' Conference, and Charles Luckman, chairman of

Along The Cape Fear

SCHOOL SYSTEM GROWS—

School enrollment increased with the growth of the city so that in 1910 the grand total was approximately four thousand students of which 75 per cent were white.

In 1915 the new Hemmenway school was completed on fifth and sixth streets between Chestnut and Grace streets. During the same year the William Hooper school was erected on Fourth street in the Southern part of the city and the Cornelius Harnett school was put into service at Sixth and Harnett Streets.

From 1920 to 1927, new schools added plied by the consolidation. The old Union school building on Ann street was abandoned in 1921 when the new high school building on Market street was completed. Union school grammar students were then transferred to the Tileston school building, where the high school students had studied for several years prior to 1921.



HIS ARMS FOLDED UNDER seven-inch beard, Amish Bishop John Helmuth (left) sits in a Wooster, O., court after answering charge brought by a fellow churchman, Andrew J. Yoder, that Helmuth and three others "ruined" the latter's health by "shunning" him from their church. Seeking \$40,000 in damages, Yoder told the court the "boycott" started when he purchased a car, against Amish rules, to take his invalid daughter to a doctor. Pictured grouped around table are (l. to r.): Solly Schlabach, witness, unidentified; Joe Yoder, father of plaintiff; Dan Yoder, brother; Sarah Yoder, wife of Andrew; Andrew J. Yoder, Yoder's counsel. Helmuth said: "The Scripture put the shun on him—I didn't." He was awarded \$5,000 damages by a jury yesterday. (International Soundphoto)

Episcopal Bishops Unanimously Condemn Un-American Hearing

NON-RESIDENTS WILL BATTLE FOR JOB AS KNOXVILLE MAYOR

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Two non-residents of Knoxville will be in the Nov. 20 run-off election for the four-year, \$15,000-a-year office of mayor.

They are George R. Dempster, a resident of adjoining Blount county, and Knox County Judge James W. Elmore, who lives six miles from the city in the Mt. Olive community.

A 1947 legislative act changing the city government from city manager-council to mayor-council provided that any person over 25 years of age could run for mayor "regardless of residence." The new government takes office next Jan. 1.

Complete unofficial returns from yesterday's primary gave Dempster 10,041 votes to lead a field of eight mayoral candidates. Elmore was second with 7,186.

TORNADOES LEVEL LOUISIANA HOMES

Three Killed, Many Hurt When Two Different Twisters Strike Towns

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Tornadoes striking at widely separated points in Louisiana left three persons dead, two missing and at least a dozen injured today and disaster crews were clearing wreckage in search of possible other victims.

One tornado struck late last night in Galiano, La., deep in LaFourche Parish, about 50 miles south of New Orleans. It smashed through the homes of fishermen and trappers and killed two women. An infant and an elderly woman were missing.

The other twister slashed through Red Bayou, La., some 300 air miles Northwest of Galiano, near Coushatta, La. It took a toll of one life, injured two farmers, and flattened 15 houses, mostly occupied by Negro families.

In the Galiano tornado, an 18-month old infant was believed

See TORNADOES on Page Two

Witness "Cites" Arnold Pressure

Bennett E. Myers Tells Committee Plane Builder Had "Friends"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—A fast talking retired Air Force general vigorously disputed today testimony that he tried during the war to borrow \$50,000 from plane-maker Howard Hughes. He did say he tried to borrow this amount from him earlier this year.

The general, Bennett E. Meyers, also told a Senate War Investigating subcommittee that while he was on an official inspection of Hughes' California plant in 1944, Hughes offered him a postwar job in which he "could write my own ticket" as to salary.

"People offered jobs to me all the time," Meyers said. "They didn't mean a damn thing to me. I was only interested in winning the war."

The witness also testified—and his petite blonde wife backed him up—that Mrs. Meyers slipped an envelope containing \$900 into the pocket of Johnny Meyer, Hughes' public relations man, in repayment of travel and hotel expenses. But Meyer took the witness stand briefly and flatly contradicted them both.

Today's developments came thick and fast, with Hughes in town again to resume his testimony, probably next week, in the investigation of his wartime contracts.

Before getting to the jobs-loan-expense testimony, Meyers testified that: 1. He opposed the granting of a \$40,000,000 contract to Hughes in 1944 to build photo planes but

FIRST 1947 SNOW CLOSES SCHOOLS

Blinding Storm In Minnesota Slows Air, Bus Traffic, Fells Lines

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Minnesota's first taste of 1947-48 winter weather ca. today in a large helping of blinding snow and high wind which slowed traffic, closed schools and disrupted communications.

Winds ranging up to 45 miles an hour drove the storm in a Northeasterly direction across the Eastern half of the state. Snow ranged in depth from four to six inches. Drifting was reported at numerous points.

In Minneapolis and St. Paul the storm struck at 8 a. m. CST and so increased in fury that within an hour visibility was reduced to 150 yards. It began to pass into the Lake Superior region shortly after noon and by mid-afternoon the snow had diminished to flurries. Similar conditions prevailed all along the 100-mile swath the storm cut across the state from the Iowa line to the Canadian border.

Air and bus lines halted operations during the height of the storm but several companies sent buses onto the roads late in the afternoon and airlines prepared to resume scheduled flights tonight.

Pupils Sent Home
In St. Paul pupils were sent home from school during the morning. Minneapolis schools remained in session.

Thomas O. Larson, 65, collapsed on a St. Paul street while bucking the storm. He died before an ambulance could reach him.

See WITNESS on Page Two

Winston-Salem Gathering Assails Casting of "Public Suspicion"

WINSTON-SALEM, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America, at its closing session today, condemned the House investigation of Un-American activities for the manner in which the probe is being conducted.

"The casting of public suspicion," the Bishops said in a resolution, "on the fellow citizens under the protection of Congressional immunity can readily become an offense against God's commandment, 'Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.'"

The resolution was adopted unanimously on motion of the Right Rev. Angus Dun, Bishop of Washington.

Resolved: That as bishops in the Church of God we call upon the people of our churches

ARMY GETS READY FOR UT SCHOOLS

Educational Facilities Being Circularized As To Courses Taught

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The Army, looking to possible adoption of universal military training is circularizing school systems over the nation for information on their ability to help in the educational phase of such a program, it was disclosed tonight.

Copies of letters from the Adjutant General's office have been sent state departments of education and other organizations.

The letters point out that one of the options under the proposed plan would allow selected trainees to attend trade and vocational schools instead of spending the second six months of the one-year training period in military activities. Trainees generally would be sent to schools near the areas in which they reside.

The Army wrote that it "is interested in obtaining information, including names, numbers"

See ARMY on Page Two

MC DONALD PAINTS GLOOMY PICTURE

Former Winston Educator Says Educational System To Grow Worse

FAYETTEVILLE, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Dr. Ralph McDonald, who twice has been an unsuccessful candidate for governor, told a teachers' convention today that the educational situation in North Carolina "is bound to grow worse."

He told the Southeastern district of the North Carolina Education Association that "the legislature does not meet in regular session until 1949, and by that time our public school system may be wrecked beyond repair in our generation."

Dr. McDonald, a former instructor at the University of North Carolina, said

VETO SQUABBLE TOPS ONCE MORE

Demands For Admission Of Italy, Austria To UN Membership Acute

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Demands by the United States plus small and medium powers for admission of Italy, Austria, Ireland, Portugal, Finland and Trans Jordan to membership in the United Nations revived today the U. N. squabble over the veto privilege of the Big Five.

Argentina, Sweden, Brazil, Iraq, Lebanon and Chile joined in calling on the General Assembly

See VETO on Page Two

Liquor Cargo Vanishes; SHP Sergeant Resigns

RALEIGH, Nov. 7.—(AP)—State Highway Patrol Sgt. V. R. Mallard of Smithfield resigned following a probe by the State Bureau of Investigation concerning the disappearance of confiscated whiskey. Motor Vehicles Commissioner L. C. Rosser and Patrol Commander H. J. Hatcher confirmed today.

The SBI investigation was set off by an anonymous letter to Governor Cherry, who first turned the matter over to the State Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for action.

And So To Bed

A young lady on a city bus yesterday was discussing her physical strength with an elderly gentleman.

"I feel badly today because I have an ACHOO! cold, and my feet hurt," said the young lady.

"Well, what did you do to get a cold and to have your feet hurt?" asked the quiet old man.

The girl replied, "I went dancing in pumps last night."

"Dancing in pumps," said the astonished man, "it's a wonder you don't have pneumonia."

Remember A Buddy -- Buy A Buddy Poppy Today