

WILMINGTON AND VICINITY: Considerable cloudiness with moderate temperatures today followed by showers and warmer tonight; Tuesday, cloudy with moderate temperatures.

Hughes Probe May End Soon

Plane Builder Expected To Tell His Side Of Tax Story Today

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. — (AP) — Millionaire plane-maker Howard Hughes is expected to tell Senate investigators tomorrow his story about the \$5,919,921 in wartime tax deficiencies allegedly discovered in his aircraft companies' accounts by government tax inspectors.

The reported deficiencies were turned up by Sen. John J. Williams, R. Del., during a session of the Senate War Investigating committee which is inquiring into Hughes' \$40,000,000 of wartime plane contracts.

Williams said the Internal Revenue Bureau had gone over the books of the Hughes Tool company and its subsidiaries for the years 1942-46 at the committee's request and found deficiencies amounting to \$3,501,000. The tax inspectors had already discovered alleged deficiencies amounting to \$2,418,921 for 1940-41.

Williams and other subcommittee members made it clear that no "fraud" or deliberate evasion was involved. The deficiencies were based on Hughes' undistributed profits. A Hughes associate said tonight the plane-maker would prove he had made no profits on war contracts.

Hughes' appearance tomorrow, his first formal testimony in the second round of his tussle with the Senators over his contracts for photo-reconnaissance and super-cargo planes, was expected to lack much of the explosive quality of his appearance in August.

For one thing the Hollywood movie magnate was not expected to renew his volatile, name-calling feud with Sen. Owen Brewster, R. Me., chairman of the full war investigating committee.

Last August, before Hughes even came to Washington, he splashed black headlines across the nation with a charge that Brewster offered to call off the inquiry if Hughes would merge his Trans World Airline with Pan American Airways.

Brewster denied this under oath and furthermore testified that he had nothing to do with it.

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TEXTILE UNIONS ASK WAGE BOOST

Workers In Northern Mills Seek 15 Cents Per Hour Raise

BOSTON, Nov. 9. — (AP) — A general wage increase of 15 cents an hour for 100,000 workers in Northern cotton and rayon mills was asked today by the CIO Textile Workers Union — 24 hours after voting to seek a 20-cent boost for 880,000 woolen-worsted employees.

Enile Rive, general president of the union, said the cotton-rayon proposal would cover members employed in 125 mills in New England and the Middle Atlantic states and would establish a minimum of \$1.03 an hour compared with 88 cents at present. Average hourly earnings, now \$1.07, would rise to \$1.22, he said.

The new wage hike proposal coincided with a TWUA announcement in New York that the union has negotiated a nine per cent wage increase amounting to \$19,000,000 a year for 125,000 Southern cotton textile workers — about one-fifth of all cotton mill workers in the South. The Southern minimum thus rises to 87 cents an hour.

Four Increases

TWUA has negotiated four wage increases in the Northern cotton-rayon industry since V-J day, the most recent a five-cents-an-hour hike Aug. 1, 1947. Other boosts were 10 cents an hour Jan. 1, 1947, eight cents in August, 1946, and eight cents in November, 1945.

The new wage proposal, notice of which must be given to employers at least 30 days before Jan. 1, when the present contract expires, was announced after a conference of 300 delegates from union locals at a downtown hotel.

The Weather

South Carolina and North Carolina: Considerable cloudiness with moderate temperatures Monday and Tuesday. Warmer Monday night, showers Monday night and Tuesday and in mountain sections Monday afternoon. METEOROLOGICAL DATA FOR THE 24 HOURS ending 7:30 p.m. yesterday. TEMPERATURES: 1:30 am 46, 7:30 am 43, 1:30 pm 59, 7:30 pm 52. Maximum 60. Minimum 41. Mean 50. Normal 50. HUMIDITY: 1:30 am 79, 7:30 am 75, 1:30 pm 81, 7:30 pm 69. PRECIPITATION: Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 pm 0.22 inches. Total since the first of the month 0.96 inches. TIDES FOR TODAY: U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. From the Tide Table published by Wilmington. High Low: 7:48 am 2:18 pm 8:08 pm 2:46 pm. Masonboro Inlet: 5:46 am 11:53 am 5:56 pm 11:59 pm. Sunrise 6:40. Sunset 5:12. Moonrise 6:58 am. Moonset 6:09 pm. Note: WEATHER on Page Two

Marshall To Present Aid Program Today

Secretary Of State Will Appear Before Joint Session Of House-Senate Committees On Foreign Affairs

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. — Secretary of State George C. Marshall goes before a joint session of the Senate and House Foreign Affairs committees tomorrow to present the administration's first official proposal for emergency and long-range aid for Europe.

A week later, on Monday, 17 Congress will convene a session and hear from President Truman, either in person or by message, a plea that no time be lost in putting the emergency program into operation.

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Battle Brews

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California City Donates Food On Friendship Train

Seven Thousand Watch As Two Carloads Of Milk, Sugar Hook On

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 9. — (AP) — Seven thousand persons turned out today to see two more boxcars of food added to the Friendship Train in ceremonies at which Governor Warren turned over the throttle to Governor Vail Pittman of Nevada. This was the last step in California for the ever-lengthening freight train and Governor Pittman promised that the residents of his state would do their share in seeing that the hungry of France and Italy were fed through the generosity of the people of America.

Governor Warren, who boarded the train at its inception in Los Angeles, declared: "the most thrilling part of the ride up the state has been the idea behind it. In every city where we have stopped, the looks on the faces of the crowds have attested to the world that we want to be friends with all others who want to be friends with us."

Cash Donations: "I am sure that this seeing-off here will be duplicated many times over as the train crosses the nation and when the food-stuffs reach the needy overseas."

Sacramentans kept up their giving—their two boxcars were stuffed with evaporated milk and sugar — until the train pulled out for Reno. The crowd stood in line to fill a box on the speakers stand with greenbacks, dimes, nickels and pennies.

As the wheels of the train started grinding toward the Sierras, the crowd chanted: "See CALIFORNIA on Page Two"

PAPER HEADLINES GREEK ATROCITIES

London Daily Mirror Prints Pictures Of Troops Carrying Heads

LONDON, Monday, Nov. 10. — (AP) — The mass-circulation Daily Mirror devoted nearly its entire front page today to two photographs of horsemen it said were Greek Government troops carrying guerrillas' heads by the hair.

The paper said British troops were standing by in Greece while "gestapo methods are being used against the guerrillas."

"What are we British doing here?" a headline asked. From the word, "here," an arrow pointed to a head identified as that of a "young Greek" paraded through a village street.

The Mirror said the pictures had been taken by Cpl. Harry Starr, 32, who served in Greece two years and was released from the Army in August. The paper said it had checked the facts indicated and was "fully satisfied they are a fair, even moderate statement about a terrible situation."

In an editorial headed, "Get Out Of It," the paper urged early withdrawal of the reported 5,000 to 6,000 British troops still in Greece.

Parents Refuse Child Medical Care; She Dies

GREYBULL, Wyo., Nov. 9. — Frances June Baker, 4, died last night after a ten-day illness during which her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Baker, refused to permit doctors to treat the child and declared they would rely on the Lord to cure her. Dr. L. F. Allison, acting public health officer, examined the child shortly before midnight and pronounced her dead of spinal meningitis. The Baker home, in which there are two other children, was placed under quarantine yesterday by Dr. S. L. Myre, county health officer, who diagnosed the child's illness as spinal meningitis but added that the parents did not permit him to make a complete examination.

America May Reject Plans

U. S., Russia Disagreement Over Palestine Hardening Hourly

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Nov. 9. — American-Russian disagreement over Palestine partition hardened tonight with a report that the United States would reject a Canadian compromise plan.

The report was not officially confirmed, but American officials were known to feel that the Canadian plan ranged too far from the original American suggestions for keeping the Palestine problem out of the UN Security Council barring active international aggression, while Britain terminates its mandate and two independent states take shape.

American officials disclosed, meanwhile, they would await an official verdict from the British cabinet on the American proposals before sitting down with the Russians for an eleventh-hour try at compromising the conflicting American and Russian proposals. American delegates asked British delegates on Thursday to cable to London for the cabinet's "yes" or "no" to the American plan, with its provision that Great Britain bear responsibility for transforming Palestine into two states.

The decision to wait for a re-

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NATIONAL GUARD DEFENDS CAPITAL

Radar Spots On-Coming "Enemy" Bombers Making Simulated Strike

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. — The National Guard rallied to the defense of the capital today against a simulated strike of "enemy" bombers in the Guard's most ambitious postwar demonstration of its air and anti-aircraft arm.

The attacking fleet also was a National Guard force. It was made up of two bomb groups, rising from bases in Alabama and Ohio. They bored in on the capital at mid-afternoon while the 20th battalion group, manning a mobile radar station in the heart of Washington, and three fixed radar stations which compose part of the capital's warning network, tracked them. The A-26 light bombers came from the 112th group at Cleveland and the 106th at Birmingham.

Within five minutes after the 113th Fighter group, operating from nearby Andrews Field Md., had been ordered to "scramble" pilots were out of the field ready room, in their P-47 airplanes and at 4,000 feet over the city, heading on the "enemy force."

Over White House: Although the point of interception of the fighter force with the bombers would, in actual combat, have been made at some distance from the capital, the attack occurred for demonstration purposes almost directly over the White House. The fighters, flying high as the bombers moved in across Southeast Washington, peeled off from their formation and dived on the bomber squadrons—perhaps by coincidence—as they dropped across the headquarters of the Atomic Energy Commission.

The 113th Fighter group is made up of three squadrons—the 149th of Richmond, 104th of Baltimore and 121st of Washington.

Officers said this was the first time the guard had used the radar interception system in an exercise of this order.

The demonstration was staged in connection with the National Guard's current three-month recruiting campaign.

Along The Cape Fear

INSITUATION OF THE CHAIN GANG — An interesting development of the Cape Fear valley, while not differing materially from that of the rest of the state, nor from that of several other Southern states, is the treatment of prisoners. The establishment of county convict road work, which popularly was designated as the "chain gang" system never was widely used for penal treatment in the Northern and Western states. In the South, however, factors of climate as well as the economic situation caused convict road work to increase in popular favor until it became one of the major methods of punishing criminals. In contrast, large industrial prisons behind massive prison walls became the established solution of the penal problem elsewhere in the nation.

Along the Cape Fear as in the rest of the state the only prisons prior to the Civil war were the common jails of the counties. As a matter of fact there were comparatively few prisoners. In 1846 the people of Carolina voted against a state prison. From the days of the first settlers in the Cape Fear valley until the War between the states, prisons were

superseded by the pillory, the whipping post, and the branding iron. The death penalty was inflicted in those days for many offenses now punishable by prison sentences. The Revised Code of 1855, last codification of laws prior to the Civil war, enumerates 17 offenses punishable by death. Bigamy was punished by branding with a hot iron the letter "B" upon the cheek. For manslaughter, if the first offense, an "M" was burned upon the forehead, and nailed to the pillory by the sheriff, there to remain until sundown. The disillusioned present day court reporter will tell you that this latter law is better abolished as its strict enforcement today would be not only unsanitary, but would seriously handicap the hearing of a considerable proportion of the adult population.

3,000 Hindu Troops Face Annihilation By Rebels; Reds Try New Power Plan

Foreign Offices Control New Goal

Communists Find Growing Difficulty In Making Consuls Hew To Line

LONDON, Nov. 9. — (AP) — Communist parties behind the iron curtain apparently are following a new plan to take over the foreign ministries of their countries as well as the police and propaganda posts, on which they concentrated before, British Balkan experts said today. These sources said that one of the reasons behind the new plan was the difficulty the Communists have found in making diplomatic and consular personnel abroad hew to the party line.

Once content to permit non-Communist allies to administer foreign offices, the Communists now apparently fear their countries' representatives abroad are not to be trusted, the experts said.

They stressed that Mrs. Ana Pauker, who assumed control of the Romanian foreign office Friday, was the third Communist foreign secretary to be appointed during the past nine months.

Refuse To Return: Romanian Communist sources in London admitted last week alone three Romanian diplomats who had been recalled by the government refused to return to Bucharest.

These sources said Mrs. Pauker planned to prepare material for the trial of high Romanian foreign office officials who will be charged with "directly participating in the organization of Romanian government of trainers abroad."

Communists now control the foreign offices of Hungary, Poland, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria as well as Romania. In February, Communist Zygmont Modzelewski took over the Polish foreign office from Wladyslaw Ryzomski, a member of the Democratic party. In September, Communist Erik Molnar was appointed Hungarian foreign minister.

COL. COLE TAKES ENGINEER OFFICE

Former MacArthur Staff Officer Takes District Charge Here Today

Colonel Heston R. Cole takes office today as district engineer of the Wilmington district. A general staff officer in Gen. MacArthur's headquarters through the Australia, New Guinea, and Philippine Islands campaigns, Col. Cole was transferred here from Duluth, Minn., where he was district engineer.

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DISTRICT ENGINEER—Col. Heston R. Cole has arrived from Duluth, Minn., to take over as district engineer of the Wilmington District. A veteran of both world wars, Col. Cole served on Gen. MacArthur's general staff in Australia, New Guinea, and the Philippine Islands.

Hillman Appointed As Glenn Successor

NEW APPOINTMENTS IN THIS DISTRICT

Dr. E. L. Hillman was named district superintendent of the Wilmington district, succeeding Dr. J. C. Glenn, former superintendent who was transferred to West Palm Beach, Fla.

The Rev. J. R. Edwards, pastor of the Fifth avenue Methodist church here, was transferred to Roanoke Rapids. He will be succeeded by the Rev. B. C. Reavis. At Wesley Memorial church in Winter Park the Rev. P. H. Fields was named as pastor to succeed the Rev. Kermit Wheeler, who has been transferred to Roseboro.

The Rev. R. H. Caudill, former secretary of boys worked at the YMCA here, comes into the Wilmington conference as pastor at Town Creek. The Rev. A. C. Edens, Jr., was appointed to the Methodist Youth Center at Wrightsville church, Harbor

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Violence Takes NINE N. C. LIVES

Motorcycle Accident At High Point Races Account For One Death

By The Associated Press: Violence took at least nine lives in North Carolina during the weekend. A motorcycle plunged out of control into a crowd of spectators at races near High Point, killing Harold S. Thompson, 12, of High Point instantly and injuring six other persons.

Winfred Terry Hunsucker, 26, of Conover, route one, was found dead in a field near Conover Sunday. Coroner Rex Reynolds said Hunsucker had been shot through the heart and chest with a 12-gauge shotgun and had died at death. Hector McNeill, 75, of near Fayetteville, was shot and killed as he was at work repairing chains at his home Saturday afternoon.

Nick Schmidt, 30, of Charleston, S. C., was killed Friday when the automobile he was driving struck a bridge railing near Rockingham.

Worth Cribb, 45, carpenter foreman for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, was struck and killed instantly by an automobile.

Bishop Peels Names New Superintendent For Wilmington District

ELIZABETH CITY, Nov. 9. — (AP) — The reading of ministerial appointments for 1948 by Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond closed the annual North Carolina Methodist Conference at Elizabeth City late this afternoon.

Principal changes in the appointments were the assignments of Rev. A. J. Hobbs, pastor of the Edenton Street church of Raleigh, to the post of superintendent of Complete List of Appointments On Page Eight

the Rocky Mount District, and Rev. E. L. Hillman, pastor of the First Church of Rocky Mount, as superintendent of the Wilmington district.

Rev. Hobbs succeeds Rev. T. M. Grant, who has been assigned as pastor of the First Church of Rocky Mount, and Reverend Hillman succeeds Rev. John L. Glenn, who has been transferred to the Florida conference of the Methodist church.

Ray H. Short, Editor of the Methodist publication, "The Upper Room," delivered today's sermon. The program for today also was featured by a "Love Feast" of the ministers this morning.

Memorial services were held this afternoon for ministers who died during the year. The delegates selected Jarvis Memorial church in Greenville as the site for the 1948 conference.

The conference convened Wednesday with more than 600 clerical and lay delegates attending.

BABY'S WAILING RILES BIG CROWD

Front Street Pedestrians Angered By Apparent Parental Neglect

There were angry mutterings coming from members of a crowd congregated around a new model automobile with a black which was parked in the 300 block of Front street here last night.

Passersby, had been attracted by the wails of an infant child locked in the car and helplessly screaming to tell the news of its plight. Dire threats against the owner of the car could be heard coming from several marines and a like number of civilians in the gathering.

As the infant continued to scream and there was no sign of any appearance of the ab-

And So To Bed: A Duke alumnus saw his alma mater play Missouri Saturday and took the unsatisfactory outcome of the classic in his stride.

In Raleigh he met up with an old friend of former college days, gave the old college pal a ticket to the game and loaned him an overcoat, feeling generous and warm hearted with the glow of revival of old college times.

Back in Wilmington Sunday he met his old college chum. "Where is my overcoat, old pal?" he asked. "I'm sorry," said the old chum, "I had to pawn the overcoat, I borrowed \$2.50 on it from a bell hop to buy a bus ticket to get home. I had to get back here or I might lose my job."

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Dynasty Of Singh Hangs In Balance

Organized Moslem Military Rebellion Seeks Union Of Kashmir

BY JAMES MICHALES, United Press Staff Writer. PALANDARI, Kashmir, Nov. 7. — Three thousand troops of the Hindu Maharajah of Kashmir are bottled up in the mountains and face almost certain annihilation, rebel leaders said today in this primitive mountain town which is their headquarters.

With the Maharajah's Hindu troops are an unknown number of Sikh irregulars, the rebels asserted. The rebels said they now had control of more than half of Kashmir's 85,000 square miles and had wiped out or bottled up most of the 12,000 Kashmiri state troops.

One of the first outsiders to visit this headquarters, high in the Kashmir mountains, I reached here over mule paths from Rawalpindi, Pakistan.

I found Palandari the center of an organized Moslem military and political rebellion aimed at driving out the 100-year-old dynasty of Sir Hari Singh, the Maharajah and joining Kashmir to Pakistan. Irom Palandari is directed the uprising which began soon after the British handed over power Aug. 15 against the local garrison of the Maharajah's army.

Rebels say that the 3,000 troops and the Sikhs are contained in four pockets—one of them, with 1,200 men surrounded, only 15 miles from here in another mountain town. The rebels who surround them are patiently awaiting their surrender.

The success of the revolt in See DYNASTY on Page Two

MARINES TO CUT BIRTHDAY CAKE

Gen. Vandergrift To Speak Today At Camp Lejeune Honoring Corps

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. — (AP) — Marine Corps Commandant Gen. A. A. Vandergrift today heralded the 172nd birthday of the Leathernecks with the reminder that Marines must remain prepared in war and peace "since we have found that the peace must often be enforced."

The General, due to retire Jan. 1, said the corps is "actively re-vising" its battle tactics in amphibious warfare to take advantage of new atomic age weapons. He recalled that since the Marines were organized by the "embattled citizenry" in 1775, the United States has participated in seven major wars.

"But the United States has called on the Marines almost every year since then," he said. He issued his statement as regular and reserve Marine detachments at installations in the United States, South Africa and China prepared to cut their traditional birthday cake tomorrow.

Vandergrift is scheduled to make a "birthday" speech at Camp Lejeune, N. C., tomorrow. Maj. Gen. Lemuel Shepherd, assistant commandant who has been mentioned as his possible successor, is scheduled to be host at a birthday ball here.

The corps will use the occasion to start a drive for 100,000 reserves, an increase of about 75 per cent over present reserve strength.

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