

WILMINGTON and vicinity: Cloudy and cool with light rain or drizzle today and Saturday.

Pauley Faces Grain Probe

Royall Assistant Summoned To Explain Market Transactions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Edwin W. Pauley, special assistant to the secretary of war and former Democratic party treasurer, was summoned today to explain his grain market transactions as Congressional leaders moved to investigate Harold E. Stassen's charges that government "insiders" have profited in food speculation.

The Senate Appropriations committee arranged to question Pauley tomorrow after hearing Secretary of The Army Royal Hallack. Pauley had certain state that he had no commodity holdings when he joined the Army department last September and that he has been selling them at a heavy loss. Royall added that Pauley has not had access to any information about Army grain buying that might be used in speculation.

There were these simultaneous developments: 1. House Republican Leader Hallett of Indiana promised an investigation of the charges made by Stassen, candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination.

2. Rep. Mac Kinnon (R-Minn.) introduced a resolution authorizing the House Banking committee to investigate officials connected with food purchases that might have affected prices. He said it was aimed at anyone who might have profited on speculation using inside information.

3. Senator McCarthy (R-Vt.) wrote Secretary Royall asking him to supply names of anyone in his department connected with a sugar buying program "who was also dealing in sugar futures." He asked that the information be turned over to the Senate Expenditures committee. McCarthy did not explain his reference to those dealing in sugar futures.

Hallett announced the intention to make an inquiry in a letter to Stassen. Hallett said See PAULEY On Page Three

France Hurls Grave Charge At Russians

Stiff Note To Moscow Alleges Beauregard Repatriation Camp Was Underground Railway Terminus To Capital

PARIS, Dec. 11.—(AP)—The government, in a stiff note to Moscow, charged tonight that the Russian repatriation camp near Paris recently raided by French troops actually was the terminus of an underground railway that spirited persons to Moscow without this country's knowledge.

Rejecting Soviet protests against the French raid on the camp at Beauregard Nov. 14, the note said that persons had been moved from the camp to Russia without the permission of France.

It said that some 60 Frenchmen and women had gone to Russia by this route and, as soon as they reached there, had applied for repatriation to France. The implication was that they were brought to Russia against their will.

The note was the latest of a series of sharp diplomatic exchanges between the two countries and was delivered to the Soviet Embassy in Paris. Another note was due to be delivered to Russian Ambassador Alexandre Bogomolov tomorrow answering Russian protests against the arrest and expulsion of 19 Soviet citizens from France three weeks ago.

France charged the 19 with fomenting labor strife and with engaging in subversive activities.

Spirited Out
Today's note said that the 60 French citizens sent to Russia See FRANCE On Page Three

Police Jeep Squadrons Disperse Mobs In Rome

Thousands Report For Work Despite Communist Strike Order

ROME, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Police jeep squadrons roared down Rome's ancient streets today to disperse mobs of yelling strikers while heavily armed troops guarded strategic intersections in a show of strength aimed at breaking the day-old Communist-led general strike.

Communist Giuseppe Di Vittorio, Italy's supreme labor boss, ordered 500,000 workers in Rome and its environs to continue the strike tomorrow and threatened nation-wide unrest to combat a government crackdown on labor agitation.

Premier Alcide De Gasperi's government, following the pattern set in neighboring France, called thousands of soldiers and sailors, armed with carbines, tear gas bombs and hand grenades, to guarantee the "right to work."

Interior Minister Mario Scelba, in charge of the police, was manhandled in the National Assembly by Communist deputies shouting "murderer," but guards and other deputies intervened to protect him.

Club-swinging police clashed with 1,000 demonstrators in front of a row of buildings housing Christian Democratic party headquarters and a Rightist newspaper offices. Two strikers were injured critically and many were bruised and cut, the Interior Ministry announced.

One hundred Communist labor lieutenants wearing armbands marked "civil police" were arrested on charges of intimidating workers, inciting strikers and resisting police, the ministry said.

An estimated 200 other strikers were taken into custody in dozens of scuffles with police and troops. Speedy police action See POLICE On Page Five

MADGE MEREDITH ADJUDGED GUILTY

Movie Starlet Convicted By Jury On Kidnaping Charges

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Pretty starlet Madge Meredith was found guilty today of kidnaping and assaulting her mentor in movie matters, Nick Gianaclis, by a jury which took the case almost 24 hours ago.

The former Marjorie Massow, 24, of Iowa Falls, Iowa, also was convicted of conspiracy. Gianaclis charged that he and his bodyguard, Verne Davis, were lured into the Hollywood hills by the girl last June, set upon by three men, beaten and taken to an isolated canyon from which they later escaped.

One of the three men, James Hatfield, was convicted of possessing a blackjack; Albert Tucker of kidnaping, assault with a deadly weapon and conspiracy; Damon Klinkenburg, assault, possession of a blackjack and conspiracy.

Case Passes \$590,000,000 Bill For Foreign Aid By Voice Vote; Jews-Arabs Stage Bloody Battle

Moslems To Ring Area With Steel

Twenty-Four Killed In Day As Holy War Fury Mounts

JERUSALEM, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Jews and Arabs shot it out today in the winding streets of Jerusalem's old walled city within sight of the Holy Sepulcher and battled each other in bloody engagements in Haifa and along the roads of Palestine.

Twenty-four persons were killed in the fighting in Jerusalem and elsewhere in Palestine. This was the highest single day's toll since the United Nations decision to partition the Holy Land touched off the fighting Nov. 29.

In the 12 days strife has raged 155 persons have been killed in Palestine and a total of 271 have been killed in the whole Middle East, an Associated Press count showed.

Accounts from the capitals of neighboring Arab nations said the welding of a ring of steel around Palestine had begun in earnest. Arab desert fighters who call the rifles the "Brothers of Allah" were reported moving up to Palestine's borders and also assuming positions for the attempted encirclement of Jewish communities in the Holy Land.

Throughout the Arab world other than Palestine a semblance of normalcy prevailed. But it was a normalcy that caused outnumbered Jews in Arab cities like Damascus, Baghdad and Cairo to bar their doors and hastily affirm their Arab state passports and their hatred of partition.

Fighting in the ancient sacred section of Jerusalem swirled not only near the Holy Sepulcher but also close to the Wailing Wall and the mosque of Omar. At least four Arabs were killed and several Jews and Arabs were wounded.

The shooting began after a See MOSLEMS On Page Five

JOSEPH H. MORAN RETURNS SAFELY

Tug, With Three Local Men Aboard, Back From Rescue Mission

The tug, Joseph H. Moran, with three local men aboard, was safely back in port here last night after a 4,768 mile trip to rescue the S. S. Robert Neighbors, which lost its propeller 18,000 miles east of Frying Pan Shoals on November 17.

Master of the Moran Towing and Transportation company tug on its rescue trip was Captain John P. Biddick of Middle Sound. Other local men aboard the tug were Sidney Best and Robert P. Hunter, both of Middle Sound.

After sailing from Wilmington on Nov. 17, the Joseph H. Moran, 2nd succeeded in getting a towing hawser aboard the disabled ship, which had drifted 700 miles and to within 70 miles of the Azores Islands. The return trip to Charleston, S. C., was completed on Wednesday this week at 4 p. m., after which the tug returned to its berth in Wilmington.

Long Voyage
The distance to the disabled ship was 2,306 miles, and the return distance back to Charleston was 2,462 miles.

The return trip was termed See MORAN On Page Three

Along The Cape Fear

EFFECTS OF WAR—Yes Sir, the Rocking Chair Admirals of the old days, like to spin yarns about the men and their craft and the Yacht club activities. Yesterday Along the Cape Fear brought up the history of the club until 1860.

The old timers will tell you that those were the days. The stories have been passed down along the generations. None of the old boys are left, but their sons and grandsons still like to talk about the club and the thrilling races.

It was too good to last, the present day variety of rocking chair skippers tell you they were told by the old timers. Yes, they will sigh, and with a chuckle they will tell you a yarn about the parties on the sound. All the residents would gather on the beach and swap stories about the prowess of their respective boats.

CAME THE WAR—And most of See CAPE FEAR On Page Three

Hospital Disputants Agree To Conciliatory Service Aid

Nurses Follow Board With Statement Welcoming State Labor Department Investigation Of Current Dispute; Penton Sharply Criticizes "Exploited" Charge By Staff

There's one point upon which the staff nurses of James Walker Memorial hospital and the hospital's board of managers agreed upon:

They both will welcome the state labor department's conciliatory service.

Both the nurses and the hospital board issued statements to this effect last night.

The nurses said that "we will be happy to have the state conciliatory service investigate the dispute between the nurses and the management at any time and in any way."

"We are thankful for the governor's interest in trying to bring this dispute to a close."

The hospital said that the "institution's management would welcome services of a conciliatory body."

The hospital's statement follows: "The board, meeting in special session yesterday afternoon, telegraphed Gov. Cherry that services of the State Labor department as a conciliatory agency would be welcome."

The Governor, ill in the executive mansion, did not receive the telegram, but it was learned here last night that the message had been forwarded to Forrest Shufford, state labor commissioner. Such action, it was understood, automatically injected the State into the dispute which threatens to leave South East-

REYNOLDS BASTS STATE ASSEMBLY

Charges Legislature Would Not Approve "Thin Dime" For Health

RALEIGH, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer, declared in a radio broadcast here tonight that North Carolina's appropriations for public health are "pitiful" and infinitesimal when compared with those for roads and schools.

Dr. Reynolds said that the state provided only \$558,434 of the \$5,337,183 spent on all public health work in North Carolina last year, and he said that the board of health must derive funds for its "important" nutrition division from the U. S. Public Health Service and the Rockefeller Foundation because the 1947 legislature would not appropriate a "thin dime" for the work.

"The state has been penny wise and pound foolish in not spending more for public health work," Dr. Reynolds said, and "it has failed to put first things first, as the record will show."

Dr. Reynolds voiced strong approval of the state health officer's full 10-point anti-influenza program, including stand-by price and rationing controls. Anything less, he claimed, could not check rising prices. And he left no doubts at a news conference that he was highly displeased with the GOP approach to the problem.

Republicans promptly retorted that they would go ahead at top speed with their four-point largely-voluntary plan which takes in several non-controversial See PRESIDENT On Page Ten

BISHOP TO SPEAK ON BROTHERHOOD

Rt. Rev. Thomas Wright To Occupy Temple Israel Pulpit Tonight

Bishop Thomas H. Wright, of the East Carolina diocese, will occupy the pulpit of Temple Israel tonight, Fourth and Market streets, at the regular Sabbath service, Rabbi Pizer W. Jacobs, announced last night.

Bishop Wright will use for his topic, "Brotherhood," Rabbi Jacobs said.

"Bishop Wright is so well-known," Rabbi Jacobs said, "that we are expecting a large attendance to hear him." The services will begin at 8 p. m.

Following the service, Rabbi Jacobs said, there will be a reception held in honor of Bishop Wright by the sisterhood of the Temple.

During the service, the candles will be lighted on the altar in observance of the "Feast of Lights" holiday, Rabbi Jacobs said. He said the public is cordially invited to this service.

Foes Of Program Halted By Martin

Suprise Floor Maneuver Finds Opposition "Asleep At Switch"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—(AP)—The bitterly-contested \$590,000,000 emergency foreign relief bill was rammed through the House without even the formality of a roll call vote today by a surprise maneuver that caught foes of the aid program asleep at the switch.

Republican Speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts brought the six-day debate to an abrupt end with a rap of his gavel, while members of the militant farm bloc, who had fought the bill every step of the way, looked on in amazement.

Martin banged peremptorily on his table and called for a voice vote on the measure. A chorus of "ayes" rang from both sides of the House aisle, followed by a weak scattering of no's.

"The bill is passed," he announced, and whooping supporters of the aid program stamped for the exits.

The whole thing was over before the opposition could demand a roll call vote to force the legislation.

The bill now goes to a joint record of House sentiment on House-Senate conference to reconcile wide differences bespurred by the two chambers, between the separate legislation Hits Communists

In its final form, the House measure authorizes a \$590,000,000 emergency aid program for France, Italy, Austria and China, and specifically forbids organizations in those countries.

The bill passed by the Senate last week provides for a \$597,000,000 program, in which China was not included, and does not contain the House's anti-Communist provision.

Both bills are merely authorizations, and the two Houses See FOES On Page Three

COUNCIL ORDERED HELD FOR DEATHS

Woman Testifies That Dead Sailor Was Driving Fatal Car

A six-man coroner's jury after a five-hour session last night ordered Floyed Council, 2514 Washington street, held for the grand jury in the January 12 term of Superior court under bond of \$10,000 on manslaughter charge.

They ruled that Hugh Reece, 26, of 205 Grace street, and Lewis Zoldy, 18-year-old seaman from Bridgeport, Conn., came to their death as a result of a collision between Council's car, in which they were passengers, and an oil tanker at Fourth and Cowan streets early Wednesday morning.

Miss Alma Gause, 21-year-old resident of 818 South Sixth street, only other occupant of the car than Council and the two men who were killed instantly, told the jury that she and Council were riding in the back seat at the time of the collision, and that Zoldy was driving.

Miss Gause testified that they had stopped at the Chic-Chic grill a few minutes prior to the accident and that she and Council had transferred to the back seat with Zoldy taking over the driving.

Investigating policemen L. E. Sykes and B. A. Flowers told the jury that Miss Gause had told them after the accident that Council was driving and that she was in the front seat of the 1940 Ford coach, which has only two doors.

It was said that the rear glass was up at the time of the crash, See COUNCIL On Page Five

Preserved Bodies, Cheese And So To Bed

BY WALTER CRONKITE United Press Staff Correspondent MOSCOW, Dec. 11.—(AP)—A Soviet archaeological party, led by S. I. Rudenko today reported the discovery of a 2000-year-old "natural icebox" tomb in Southwestern Siberia in which they found the nearly-perfectly preserved bodies of a beautiful young girl and a young man, possibly her lover.

Food, particularly cheese, which was buried with the couple for their journey to the "next world," was so well-preserved that it could be eaten by members of the excavation party, they reported. The bodies of seven horses were also found in the tomb.

The scientists reported they had uncovered the tomb 25 feet beneath a burial mound in the Altai district of Southwestern Siberia, close to the Mongolian border.

Thieves who broke into the tomb shortly after it was sealed 20 centuries ago did scientists an important favor by letting in Siberia's frigid winds and thus preserving the two bodies. The short Altai summer was not See PRESERVED On Page 3

