

GAFFNEY YOUTH FOUND LODGED ON HIGH CLIFF

GAFFNEY—The body of Sam M. Wolfe, Jr., 22-year-old ex-sailor and member of a prominent Gaffney family, was found yesterday afternoon on a ledge 700 feet below the rock at Caesar's Head.

Young Wolfe fell over the high cliff while hiking in the mountains. The sheriff's office in Spartan county was notified Monday afternoon and on Wednesday afternoon a ranger sighted the body. He approached within 30 feet of the body but had to turn back and send for more mountain climbing equipment.

This morning a group of searchers with a truck and mountain climbing equipment went to the scene. Two and a half miles of the journey will have to be taken on foot, up steep and dangerous cliffs.

ATTLEE

Starts On Page One between the extremes of his own party. A friend gave this opinion of Attlee:

"If I had Attlee by my side in the government, I should never expect a daring innovation from him, but I should always expect to see his job completely performed, with no loose ends left behind."

Attlee has been attending the big three conference in Potsdam beside Churchill, to assure that there would be no break in the continuity of Great Britain's foreign policy.

FOR SOCIALISM Attlee has fought in politics for 26 years for the cause of socialism in England and today was on the threshold of No. 10 Downing street, residence to British prime ministers. He was graduated from Oxford.

If he steps into Churchill's shoes, he will direct one of the most sweeping changes of modern times. His party advocates a "socialist commonwealth of Great Britain," with nationalization of all its basic industries, public ownership of the Bank of England and ultimately nationalization of the land.

Attlee lacks the vivaciousness of Churchill, but there is no doubt about his integrity and his fighting spirit.

As deputy prime minister in the wartime coalition government, he directed Britain's whole fighting machine during Churchill's frequent absences from the country.

COMPARISON In a measure, Attlee after Churchill would be to Great Britain what President Truman is to the United States after President Roosevelt.

Both men believe in committee action. Both are unpretentious, yet abounding in courage and determination. President Truman is perhaps more of a politician; Attlee more of an academician.

The great difference between the two leaders, however, is Attlee's firm anchorage in socialism. He has been a member of the Fabian society since 1908 and one of the strongest pillars in the Labor party in its rise to political domination.

In contrast, Mr. Truman was in Mr. Roosevelt's own party and pledged himself to continuance of the Rooseveltian policies.

PERMISSION

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This housing may be larger and of better quality than war housing produced under the H-1 program. Creighton pointed out that in addition to providing much needed housing for these years, these programs are also expected to facilitate the transition of the home building industry from a period of inactivity to one when all government controls on construction can be removed. Furthermore, these programs by adding to the housing supply, are expected to provide a brake to inflationary tendencies in residential real estate prices.

Private builders, investors and other persons interested in the production of new dwelling units under these programs should make application for priority assistance and authority to begin construction to the Federal Housing Administration, Guilford building, Greensboro, North Carolina. Jack Brown is the state director of the Federal Housing Administration.

BETTER

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Calling the reductions in point values "good news," Bowles said he was aware of the difficulty housewives have had in budgeting red points.

"In August," he commented, "the lower point values for beef, lamb and veal, together with the recent reduction of creamery butter to 16 points a pound, will ease the strain on red point budgets."

Today's Markets

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Table with columns: N. Y. COTTON AT 2:00, Today, Prev. Day. Rows: March, May, July, October, December.

Table with columns: CHICAGO GRAIN, WHEAT, September, December, May. Rows: September, December, May.

Table with columns: CORN, September, December, May. Rows: September, December, May.

Table with columns: RYE, September, December, May. Rows: September, December, May.

Table with columns: STOCKS AT 2:00, Amn Rolling Mill, American Loco, American Tob B, American Tel and Tel, Amsonds Copper, Beth Steel, Boeing Air, Chrysler, Curtiss-Wright, Elec Boat, Gen Motors, Pepsi Cola, Greyhound Corp, International Paper, Nash Kely, Glenn L Martin, Newport Ind, N Y Central, Penn R R, Radio Corp, Reynolds Tob B, Southern Railroad, Stand Oil N J, Sperry Corp, U S Steel, Western Union, Westinghouse S and T.

Table with columns: CHICAGO LIVESTOCK, CHICAGO, July 26-(P)-(WFA). Rows: Salable hogs, active and fully steady; good and choice barrows and gilts; up at 14.75 cello; good and choice sows at 14.00; complete clearance.

Table with columns: N. C. HOGS, RALEIGH, July 26-(P)-(NSD-A). Rows: Hog markets active and steady with tops of 14.85 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.85 at Richmond.

Table with columns: N. C. EGGS, POULTRY, RALEIGH, July 26-(P)-(WCD-A). Rows: Egg and poultry markets steady to slightly stronger.

Table with columns: BUTTER AND EGGS, CHICAGO, July 26-(P)-(Butter, firm; receipts 749,846. Eggs, receipts 10,285.

Table with columns: SLIGHT, Starts On Page One. Text: reported it as a "very minor disturbance."

Table with columns: SHOCK GENERAL, The shock was reported generally from points in upper South Carolina, and extended into the fringes of Georgia and North Carolina.

Table with columns: Reports from various points: Greenville—Shocks lasting about ten seconds felt at 6:30, well-defined and accompanied by rumbling sound. No tangible damage.

Table with columns: Anderson—Buildings jarred, inmates awakened, pictures shaken from walls.

Table with columns: Columbia—Buildings shaken, chimney reported to have fallen.

Table with columns: Camden—Dishes danced and rattled, some chimneys reported cracked.

Table with columns: Lancaster—Dishes rattled, tremor accompanied by roaring sound.

Table with columns: Sumter—Shock felt for about 45 seconds, shaking houses.

Table with columns: Mamberg—Deep rumbling sound in the distance accompanied tremor which rattled windows slightly.

Table with columns: Charlotte—Thousands awakened by tremor. Buildings rattled.

Table with columns: Augusta—Suburban residents said houses vibrated, dishes and windows rattled downtown.

Table with columns: Alken and Langley, S. C., and Blythe and Hephzibar, Ga., in the Augusta area, reported feeling the tremor.

Table with columns: ELECTION, Starts On Page One. Text: chills would accept, in view of the British voters' verdict.

Table with columns: There was no authoritative information at once available to clarify the question as to how soon Attlee himself might be able to come back, but in most quarters it was believed that this would be within two or three days at most of the conference recess would become a formal adjournment.



SAILOR ACCQUITTED IN SLAYING—Seaman Wm. W. Parker, 19, Toledo, O., is shown with his father E. R. Parker a minute after he had been acquitted of manslaughter in the death of 43-year-old Mrs. Ella Mae Eames, former Red Cross ambulance driver, in Miami, Fla. The court ruled the state had failed to make a case, after Parker admitted hitting Mrs. Eames with a beer bottle and dumping her nude body into a blind alley.

THE WAR TODAY: Enemy Expecting Attack By British On Singapore Base

For some three weeks Tokyo has been nervously forecasting a British attack on the mammoth naval base of Singapore which for nearly three and a half years has been one of Japan's key positions for offense and defense.

Frequently when the Mikado's spokesmen broadcast prophesies like that they are fishing for information from the Allies—hoping that we shall be foolish enough to make a retort that will divulge our plans. In this case, however, the Japs undoubtedly are sincere, as witness that they have been evacuating civilians from the island to the Malayan mainland and are preparing for attack.

Well, they may be right. My information from good sources is that Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, commander-in-chief in the southeast Pacific, has been getting a lot of ships and materiel from Europe and is fairly well set for major action. It's worth noting, too, that Mountbatten attended the Big Three conference at Potsdam yesterday. Certainly it's a position for us to watch.

MONSOON SEASON It is true that the Monsoon season, with its fierce winds and rains, is now in full blast over the Indian ocean. But this wouldn't necessarily prevent an operation against Singapore, since the lower Malay Peninsula is outside the monsoon belt. As I see it, the British could make an amphibious invasion of the narrow part of the Peninsula, establish a base through which to funnel reinforcements and supplies, and then fight their way down to Singapore, which lies just off the tip.

Recapture of Singapore would be one of the big victories of the war, for it would permit the Allies to reopen the narrow strait of Malacca between the Malay Peninsula and Sumatra. Through this strait, which is a short-cut between the Indian ocean and the South China sea, the British East India fleet could pour for operations against the China coast and Japan proper.

"INVINCIBLE" It will be a great moment for John Bull when he starts his assault to avenge the disaster which the Japs inflicted on him at the beginning of '42. "Invincible" Singapore fell on February 15 at one of the blackest periods of the world war for the Allies. The Mikado's forces had assaulted Pearl Harbor on December 7, Wake island fell on December 23, Hongkong followed on Christmas day and the enemy had occupied Manila on January 2. Hitler already was counting his chickens—

and why not? Singapore was the most powerful naval base in all that part of the globe. It had taken fifteen years to build it, at a cost of \$80,000,000, and it was one of the wonders of the world.

Its 22 square miles of deep sea anchorage could accommodate the entire British fleet. It had floating dock capable of handling a 45,000-ton battleship, a graving dock able to take care of the vast liner Queen Mary, and great underground depots. It was guarded by huge coastal guns.

LOSS WAS SHOCK Nobody—barring the Japanese—had dreamed that this Gibraltar of the Orient could be captured or even harried. Thus it was one of the greatest shocks of the whole war when the Nipponese fought their way down through the streaming jungles of the Malay Peninsula and swarmed over onto this 217 square miles with its population of some 600,000.

It can be assumed that the Japanese have kept the base up to par. What they may do in the way of destruction when their day of doom approaches remains to be seen. The latest information available is that they have some 75,000 troops on Singapore and the Malay Peninsula. If the British should land on the Peninsula, it's probable that the Japs would fight a retiring action towards Singapore, and finally make a suicide stand on the island.

Tokyo believes that a preliminary assault against Malaya will be British occupation of the Nicobar islands, off the northwest tip of Sumatra. That seems like another good news on their part. Keep an eye on it!

Boy Stumbles, Falls, Has Broken Neck CHARLOTTE, July 26-(P)-(Chas. Barnes, 16, stumbled and fell while running down an un-paved street here today. When a companion reached him, he was found to be dead.

Dr. W. M. Summerville, county coroner, said Barnes broke his neck when he fell.

FLEMING FUNERAL WILSON, July 26-(P)-(The funeral will be held here tomorrow for Will Fleming, 48, Wilson tobaccoist who died unexpectedly at Waycross, Ga., yesterday. He had left Wilson Saturday for the opening of the Georgia leaf markets.

Homecoming Day At Spindale Church SPINDALE—Home Coming Day will be observed at the First Baptist church of Spindale, Sunday, July 29th. Former pastor Charles A. Maddry, who is now with the Highland Baptist church in Louisville, Ky., will deliver the sermon at the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

The first flight of the Wright Brothers caused no excitement in the daily press or in scientific publications. "Gleanings in Bee Culture," a magazine devoted to the production of honey, was the first to carry an article about their achievement.

The satyr in Greek mythology were spirits—half-man and half-beast.

PRIME MINISTER

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government in 1929 under the late Ramsay MacDonald, and held power until 1931 when it was forced to go to the people on the gold standard issue.

Following that election it was forced to lean heavily on the Liberal party section of the government coalition and in 1935, Britain's last general election until July 5, Stanley Baldwin led the Conservatives into power.

In one of the most acrimonious campaigns in Britain's history, the Labor party pledged itself in this election to support a program of national socialization of heavy industry, transportation, mines and the Bank of England.

The first thing Attlee and his party probably will attempt to do when they take over the government will be nationalization of these enterprises, including the iron and steel industry and all forms of inland transport.

MONOPOLY "When monopoly gets into the hands of a few men, then the only safe monopoly is a monopoly of the commodity," Attlee has declared.

He has promised political liberty for India "if they can achieve it for themselves" and he has declared for the closest possible relations with the United States and Russia.

There has been little outward difference of opinion between the Labor and Conservative parties on foreign policy, as shown by Attlee's willingness to accompany Churchill to Potsdam. The laborite did challenge Britain's position in Greece.

The question of who will be chosen Eden's successor as foreign secretary remained undetermined, but speculation has centered around three names in this order: Ernest Bevin, Hugh Dalton and Herbert Morrison.

All three served in the coalition cabinet of Churchill. Bevin as labor minister, Dalton as president of the board of trade and Morrison as home secretary.

The laborites will "carry on the foreign policy of the coalition government," Bevin asserted as he received the returns amid cheers at labor headquarters.

NOTHING HALF-WAY "I'm speechless — just speechless," he added, as he laughed off questions as to what post he expected to receive in the new government.

There was no halfway trend in the election pendulum. Many Conservatives had counted upon the Liberal party, which stands midway between the two major parties, splitting the labor vote. But the Liberal party returned few members and several leaders were defeated. Among them were Sir William Beveridge, father of the "Cradle to the Grave" security plan, and Sir Archibald Sinclair, air minister.

The normal procedure, now that Churchill has been defeated, would be for him to call upon the king and tender his resignation as prime minister.

The king would call upon Attlee to form a new government. Attlee's new government then would be presented to parliament for a vote of confidence when parliament convenes Aug. 8.

There was a possibility that Sir Stafford Cripps, whose mission to India in 1942 failed to bring about a settlement there, will get the job as secretary of state for India, replacing L. S. Amery.

Replacement of a number of diplomatic representatives connected with the conservative party, among them Lord Halifax, ambassador in Washington, is likely.

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All were cleared and sent on their way to their bases in the Marianas. At the height of the traffic, they covered Two's service apron three abreast with a line reaching clear to the taxi strip.

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ships, including six aircraft carriers, three battleships and five cruisers.

PROBABLY SUNK British planes probably sank an escort carrier of the Kobe class and damaged an old destroyer.

The bag of enemy vessels was pushed to 24 by the four hit by Third fleet planes at the Yokosuka naval base July 18. The superstructure of the 32,700 tons battleship Nagato was heavily damaged. Two other vessels were damaged and a destroyer sunk.

Of equal importance in speeding the end of the war were heavy new blows on the enemy merchant fleet, already reduced to such an extent it could not move sufficient supplies for the homeland or fighting fronts.

One oiler was sunk from the almost depleted fleet of tankers; nine cargo ships went down and 18 cargo vessels were damaged. Dozens of small coastal craft, such as luggers and junks, were sunk or damaged by strafing planes.

In all, 32 enemy merchant ships and 53 small craft were sunk or damaged.

TOKEN RESISTANCE With the Japanese finally offering token resistance in the air, 13 enemy planes were shot down. Together, American and British airplanes destroyed or damaged 190 other Japanese aircraft Tuesday and on Wednesday morning.

Bad weather interrupted yesterday's renewed carrier plane attacks after the early morning flights returned, but the assault was resumed in the afternoon and there was no reason to believe Halsey's fleet had left Japanese waters.

Through Tuesday, 630 Japanese ships had been knocked out and 778 airplanes destroyed or damaged in 15 days of strikes by units under Nimitz' command. Most of this damage was inflicted by Halsey's force.

Keeping the enemy homeland under almost constant alert, nearly 100 B-29s struck three big oil targets in the Tokyo area last night with demolition bombs. Pilots said they created large fires in each of the targets, the Mitsubishi, Hayama and Asahi plants at Kawasaki. One B-29 was shot down by antiaircraft fire.

KURILES HIT Marine Corsairs hit Kyushu, southernmost of the home islands, and 11th AAF Liberators bombed Kurabu airfield on Paramushiro in the Kuriles.

Far East Air Force planes struck targets from Malaya and Java to Sanghai and Krushi, concentrating chiefly on military targets.

Nimitz' announcement of Tuesday's results included damage listed in his preliminary report yesterday. It added the well-known and once-feared battleship Haruna and six aircraft carriers to the list of major warships damaged.

The Haruna erroneously was reported sunk early in the war—but has been damaged at least twice since the army air force's Capt. Colin Kelly posthumously was awarded the congressional medal of honor for crashing his burning plane into her. She was damaged in the battle for Leyte Gulf last October and fled, with other Imperial fleet survivors, to port.

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TRUMAN

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Potsdam this afternoon. The Big Three met yesterday for the ninth successive day and it was presumed that the war against the Japanese was still a major topic of discussion.

(In London, it was disclosed that Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten, supreme commander of the South-east Asia command, had participated in the Potsdam conferences.

(The London Daily Express took the announcement to be the "first official indication that Premier Stalin has discussed the conduct of far eastern affairs with Churchill and Truman." The Daily Express added that Mountbatten now in London, had rushed to Potsdam on "urgent instructions."

SIGNIFICANT (The Daily Mail declared Mountbatten's presence in Potsdam could "only be regarded as having the greatest significance."

(It was recalled that Mountbatten recently flew from his India-Burma headquarters to the Philippines to confer with Gen. Douglas MacArthur.)

At dinner last night the President entertained Jefferson Caffery, U. S. ambassador to France; Robert Murphy, political adviser to Gen. Eisenhower, and Gen. Brenton S. Somervell, commander of the U. S. army service forces.

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power indeed had opened the pre-invasion phase of warfare against the Japanese homeland.

"NO PROBLEMS" The Japanese peace feeler said there really are no "problems" between a "Liberal America" and Japan, and claimed that a "Liberal America has never given occasion for Japanese militarists to rise, but America now talks of unconditional surrender."

The implication is that America is not now "liberal" and that the unconditional surrender formula is an outgrowth of the lack of what the Japanese consider liberality.

"In short, they (American officials) intend to mete out such a hard retribution that the Japanese people are more determined than ever to unite and resist as a united mass of 100 million souls and will so continue as long as American minds remain dictatorial and oppressive," declared the Japanese commentator.

"Should America show any sincerity of putting into practice what she preaches, as for instance in the Atlantic charter, excepting its punitive clause, the Japanese nation, in fact the Japanese military, would automatically, if not willingly (several words missing) follow in the stopping of the conflict and then and then only will sabers cease to rattle both in the east and in the west," he continued.

ANSWER ULTIMATUM The spokesman's reference to the Atlantic charter suggested that he might be replying to an American broadcast made to Japan last Saturday by Capt. E. C. Zacharias, USN, who told Japanese leaders they had a fast-fading choice of two opportunities at present:

- 1. Virtual destruction of Japan followed by a dictated peace. 2. Unconditional surrender with its attendant benefits as laid down by the Atlantic charter.

Two other factors may be involved: There have been persistent reports that the Big Three conference in Potsdam has discussed and reached agreement on far eastern questions. The general as-

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TOO LATE FOR BEHIND THE FRONT PAGE — Service man driving to Miami July 31 can take two passengers. Phone Holt McPherson.

WANTED: WHITE GIRL TO work as checker. Apply King's Dry Cleaners. 2t 26p

WANT ADS

THE RECORD SHOP

NEWEST SELECTIONS JUST RECEIVED

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