

R. P. WEATHERS DIES AT HOME

Rites Well Known From Ross Grove Tuesday 2 P. M.

Rufus Pinkney Weathers, 82, well known farmer, died this morning at 6:30 at his home on route 4, following an illness of about a year that took a sudden turn for the worse last Friday.

Surviving is one daughter, Mrs. N. H. Mauney, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Henry Haynes of Gastonia.

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der of Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery under royal warrant authorizing a military court, similar to a field general court martial, to try war criminals.

The "Belsen gang" is charged jointly with the violation of the laws and usages of war, "causing the death of a number of nationals, including one British national, sailor, Keith Mayne, and causing physical suffering to other nationals."

Kramer and 11 other SS members also are charged with "ill treating and causing the death of Allied nationals"—a charge growing out of their activities at the gas-chamber horror camp at Auschwitz before they were transferred to Belsen.

EPES

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Mary Lee's reported disappearance last February when he pointed out from an ambulance the foxhole grave at nearby Port Jackson in which he said he had buried his former Jacksonville, Fla., school teacher wife.

Speaking from a hospital bed in which he was recovering from razor slashes of the throat and wrists that military authorities said were the result of a suicide attempt, Epes gave officers a signed statement that Mary Lee had taken an overdose of pain-relieving capsules.

Repeatedly denying that he killed her, he said Mary Lee had taken "about 10" capsules at their apartment Saturday night, January 27. When he awoke soon after midnight Sunday, he said he found her body was lifeless.

Attributing his actions to fright and hysteria, he related taking her blanket-wrapped body in his car to bury it in the foxhole, which he later marked with a sign "latrine closed."

Police, attempting to establish a motive, sought to link Epes and a blonde Louisiana war plant worker who admitted corresponding with him after he had met her while on maneuvers.

A long-delayed inquest brought testimony from doctors that an autopsy showed Mary Lee had taken enough of the capsules to cause death.

In its indictment in May, the Richmond county grand jury charged Epes killed his wife by "suffocating and poisoning" her.

The lieutenant's trial comes a few weeks before his army discharge, due October 10. He now is on terminal leave.

Defending the Virginian will be State Senate President Edgar Brown, assisted by Lieth Bremner of Richmond, attorney for Epes' father, head of the Epes-Fitzgerald Paper company.

Fifth district prosecuting Solicitor T. Pou Taylor will present the state's demand for a verdict of guilty that will automatically carry the penalty of death by electrocution.

Should the jury recommend mercy, a life sentence will be mandatory.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 17.—(AP)—U. S. district Attorney Claud N. Sapp withdrew as assistant defense counsel for L. Samuel C. Epes of Richmond, Va., today as Epes' trial for the murder of his wife opened in general sessions (criminal) state court.

Sapp told the court he had been advised by the attorney general's office in Washington that as long as he held the district attorneyship here, he could not assist in the defense in any trial in a state court.

NEW STAMP GOES ON SALE

A new three-cent army commemorative stamp will go on sale September 28, it was announced this morning by R. M. Laughridge, Shelby postmaster. Release will be made through the Washington, D. C. postoffice.

The stamp will be printed in khaki color, arranged horizontally and showing United States troops passing under the Arc de Triomphe in Paris with an escort of six large bombers overhead, he said. First day cancellations, not in excess of 10 per person, may be obtained by sending addressed envelopes to the postmaster, Washington, 13, D. C. Cash, money order or postal notes will be accepted as remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed.

Collectors desiring stamps of selected quality for philatelic use, also available on September 28 or thereafter, may secure them from the Philatelic agency, post office department, Washington, 25, D. C. The stamp will be placed on sale at the local post office as soon after September 29 as possible, Mr. Laughridge said.

First Washing Machines Here

First of the post-war washing machines, harbingers of peacetime industrial production, went on display here today as Bendix dealers observed what they called B-day.

Cleveland Gas company and Maxwell, Morris and Kennedy, both dealers for Bendix before the war, received and put on display the Automatic Home Laundry which were the first to be released for civilian use; actual demonstrations are being conducted by both dealers at their respective stores.

Both Carl Roberts and Paul J. Kennedy, managers of their respective stores, said increased production facilities will permit home deliveries soon. Bendix, a pioneer in the automatic "washer" field, had more than 300,000 units operating before the war. Both local dealers said they have and will maintain trained personnel for servicing all Bendix owners.

Religious Education Week Proclaimed

RALEIGH, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Governor Cherry today proclaimed September 30-October 7 as the 15th annual religious education week in North Carolina.

He said that within recent weeks, peace had come to the nation and "many of our homes know for the first time in many weeks the joys of family reunions, and it seems to be the purpose of those in authority to hasten the return of our armed forces to their respective homes."

"Secure foundations can be laid for the future only as men commit their plans and purposes to the eternal principles of religious faith and themselves to a loving and intelligent God."

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Royal Albert Hall in 1938 and retired, but came back a year later to sing for the Red Cross. He was on a Red Cross concert tour when his health broke down and his physician ordered him to leave the concert stage and return to Ireland for rest.

For more than a quarter-century McCormack's golden tenor had touched the hearts of millions with simple Irish songs. Reputedly a millionaire, he was once described as history's wealthiest singer.

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necessity of rationing. Anderson said he was hopeful all subsidies could be terminated by next June 30, with the possible exception of that on flour.

There probably will be a need for sugar rationing in 1946, he said, but he was a little more hopeful that rationing of fats and oils may be terminated by January 1.

Committee Approves Henderson Nomination WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—(AP)—The senate judiciary committee today approved the nomination of D. C. Henderson of Charlotte, N. C., to be district attorney for the Western North Carolina district.



PLANES BURN IN HURRICANE FIRE—Planes of the Navy's Atlantic fleet lie in ruins amid the wreckage of mammoth hangars which were swept by fire at the Richmond Naval Air Station near Miami during the south Florida hurricane. The flames destroyed three hangars, 366 planes and 25 blimps.—(AP Wirephoto).

O. O. CHAMPION TAKEN BY DEATH

O. O. Champion, 56, formerly a resident of No. 8 township, Cleveland county, died Saturday night at 11 o'clock in Charleston, S. C. where he was operating a barber shop. His home was in Sharon, S. C.

Funeral will be held from Union Baptist church Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock with the body lying in state at the church for 30 minutes before the service. Until the body is removed to the church it will be at Palmer's funeral home.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. J. E. Champion; his wife, the former Miss Laura Bridges, seven children, Major J. E. Champion of the U. S. army, Mrs. Bertha Doty, of Shelby; Mrs. Lorine McSwain, of Shelby; Edwin Champion, of Sharon, S. C.; Mrs. Geraldine Maybank, of Sharon, S. C.; Miss Eloise Champion, of Shelby; and Ben Champion, of Sharon, S. C.; six brothers, L. B. Champion, of Chase City, Va.; H. C. Champion, of Kannapolis; Clyde Champion, of Shelby; E. L. Champion, of Shelby; D. R. Champion, of Washington, N. C.; F. O. Champion, of Shelby; a sister, Mrs. Boyce Mauney, of Shelby.

Bunnelle To Speak At Press Meeting

RALEIGH, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Robert Bunnelle, managing director of the Associated Press for the United Kingdom, will be the principal speaker here Thursday night at the 73rd annual convention of the North Carolina Press Association.

Bunnelle will be introduced by D. Hiden Ramsey, general manager of the Asheville Citizen-Times, after opening remarks by President Julian Miller, of the Charlotte Observer.

Registration will be at 5 p. m. at the Sir Walter Hotel.

Louie Lattimore Is Reported Recovering

Louie Lattimore, of Detroit, Michigan, sales representative for the Lily Mills company who came here last week for a visit, suffered a sudden illness Friday but today was reported much improved in general condition at Shelby hospital where he continued a patient. He is unable to have company, however.

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complished with only a small fraction of the men, time and money originally projected.

"This situation involved grave initial risk but successful penetration and subsequent progress of the operation now assures success of the venture," he said.

Once Japan is disarmed, he emphasized, a force of 200,000 troops "will be sufficiently strong to insure our will."

Questions involved in the strength of occupation forces, the supreme commander explained, are entirely independent of the future Japanese politico-governmental structure.

This problem, he explained, is waiting completion of the military phase of the surrender—and is one that unquestionably will be determined "upon the highest diplomatic level of the United Nations."

General MacArthur announced that the 31st, 37th and 38th American divisions would go home soon from Manila. The allied supreme commander also disclosed that he had protested strongly over Russia's mistake destruction of a B-29 over Korea.

Earlier MacArthur summoned Japanese Premier Higashi-Kuni to his headquarters where he is believed to have informed the prince bluntly that Japan is not an equal and has not yet proved her right to be treated as one—the same strong statement that was given to the now-censored Japanese press Saturday.

INFORMATION The general today instituted a thorough American information program, utilizing Japanese press, radio and schools.

Admiral Halsey's naval forces meanwhile speeded Japanese disarmament by smashing 25 big coastal defense guns fringing Tokyo Bay, and scuttling 51 midget submarines, 103 suicide boats and 103 man-guided torpedoes.

With an estimated half of Japan's 3,000,000 homeland soldiers now disarmed, the second great allied task—evacuation of prisoners of war—proceeded while fresh atrocity reports rolled in hourly.

Twenty-seventh of the war-crimes suspects to be taken into allied custody was Vice Adm. Ken Terashima, minister of communications and railways in former Premier Tojo's wartime cabinet. Japanese officials surrendered him to American custody today.

Golfers Association Adds Southern Play

TULSA, OKLA., Sept. 17.—(AP)—The Professional Golfers association added eight tournaments in southern states to its 1945 tour today as Sam Snead, winner of the Tulsa invitational, headed northwest with other top money players.

Fred Corcoran, the association's tournament manager, announced the group would swing south to compete for a total of \$75,665 in war bonds after a northwest junket on which the first stop is Spokane, Wash.

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onet-pointing Japanese. The commander of Australian prisoners, Col. W. J. R. Scott, said major Cinglaub's coup at the Hainan Island camp was one of the coolest and most courageous he had ever seen.

As the Japanese started "taking us prisoners," Cinglaub ordered them to "guard our parachute medical and food supplies."

This so shocked them that they did. Their colonel sent his chief of staff to investigate but as the latter was only a captain Cinglaub "ordered him around," too.

"When I insisted that the Allies had defeated them and they comply with our orders, they took us to the camp and provided food and medicine, which the prisoners hadn't had."

80,000

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would ask the National Labor Relations board to conduct a strike vote at the firm's 135 plants if the corporation does not accept the wage increase for its 300,000 employees.

General Motors also was faced with a possibility that its production might be interrupted because of a strike at a Warren, O., plant which produces wiring systems for its autos. GM spokesmen said the concern could continue normal operations "for at least a few days" despite the Ohio strike.

Chrysler—Union officials set Sept. 23 for balloting by the 80,000 to 100,000 employees as to whether they will petition the International UAW-CIO for a strike vote.

Ford was the hardest hit by the work stoppages, as its auto and truck production lines were halted because of a shortage of parts supplied by the striking Keley-Hayes Wheel company of Detroit.

Today's Markets

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COTTON LETTER

Cotton prices were firm during most of the week and spot market activity increased. The crop reporting board's September forecast of 10,025,000 bales was slightly under the August figure but about in line with trade expectations. Ginnings prior to September 1 were smaller than a year earlier but were about the same proportion of the indicated crop as last season. The grade of ginnings was lower and the staple length averaged shorter than a year earlier. The weather was generally favorable for crop progress and harvesting, except for too much rain in some sections of the southeast and lack of moisture in the northwest section of the belt. Weevil activity is said to be increasing in many areas but hot weather is checking infestations in some places.

Prices for middling 15-16 inch cotton in the ten spot markets averaged 22.58 cents per pound on Thursday, September 13, as compared with 22.60 a week earlier and 21.30 a year ago. Reported sales in the ten spot markets totaled 91,500 bales for the week as compared with 66,500 bales last week and 140,000 bales for the corresponding week a year ago.

STOCKS DEPRESSED

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Bearishness over the nation's labor picture continued to depress the stock market today and leaders extended their decline by one to three points at the worst. Conspicuous on the offside were Packard, which started on a block of 10,000 shares, down 1-8; Chrysler, General Motors, Goodyear, Goodrich, U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Sears Roebuck, Douglas Aircraft, American Telephone and Telegraph, Tractor, Allied Chemical, Du Pont, Southern Pacific, Great Northern, Anaconda and Texas Co. Most rails and utilities were narrow.

Bonds trailed with stocks. Commodities were mixed.

BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Butter, firm; receipts 685,382. Eggs, receipts 20,487; top firm.

N. C. HOGS

RALEIGH, Sept. 17.—(NCD-AP)—Hog markets active and steady with tops at 14.55 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.85 at Richmond.

N. C. EGGS, POULTRY

RALEIGH, Sept. 17.—(NCD-AP)—Poultry and egg markets steady.

Raleigh—U. S. grade AA, extra large, 57; fryers and broilers 30.75. Washington—U. S. grade B, large 55 1-2; broilers and fryers 38.20.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Sept. 17.—(WPA)—Salable hogs 3,000; total 7,000; active, fully steady; good and choice barrows and gilts 14 lb. up 14.75 ceiling; good and choice sows 14.00; complete clearance.

Salable cattle 18,000; total 19,000; salable calves 1,000; total 1,500; fed steers and yearlings, including yearling heifers, 10 to 15 cents higher; active at advance; stock steers strong; slaughter cows 15 to 25 cents higher; bulls shared cow advance; vealers firm; largely fed steer run; approximately 3,500 western grassers here, mostly stockers selling at 11.50-13.50, with common kinds 10.00-10.50; approximately 10 loads choice fed steers 16.00; long yearlings at 16.00, and 1025 pound yearlings 17.00; best heifers 17.00; weighty sausage bulls 12.50 down; beef bulls 13.00 down; vealers at and below 15.00.

N. Y. COTTON AT 2:00

Table with 3 columns: Month, Today, Prev. Day. Rows for March, May, July, October, December.

CHICAGO GRAIN WHEAT

Table with 3 columns: Month, Today, Prev. Day. Rows for September, December, May.

CORN

Table with 3 columns: Month, Today, Prev. Day. Rows for September, December, May.

RYE

Table with 3 columns: Month, Today, Prev. Day. Rows for September, December, May.

STOCKS AT 2:00

Table with 3 columns: Stock Name, Today, Prev. Day. Rows for Amn Rolling Mill, American Loco, American Tob B, etc.

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ouncement listing suspected war criminals whom he wished to question, Higashi-Kuni held an extraordinary cabinet meeting, which considered "what attitude to take concerning the naming of wartime Premier Hideo Tojo's entire 'Pearl Harbor' cabinet on the list."

Well-informed Japanese said at that time that Higashi-Kuni frankly asked the cabinet members to consider their own past careers "and determine whether they would be acceptable to the Americans."

Shigemitsu, who was Japan's principal signatory of the unconditional surrender on Sept. 2, has had a long and somewhat stormy career as an international diplomat. He is 58 years old.

He lost his right leg in 1932 at Shanghai when a Korean nationalist tossed a bomb into the midst of an official Japanese party.

LOSING

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75 miles, was expected to increase along the Carolina coast.

The weather bureau at Atlanta said it was too early to say definitely yet, but that in all likelihood New York and New England would feel no effect from the hurricane.

If the storm moves inland into South Carolina, as it now appears it will do, it will probably spend itself there, the bureau added.

Residents from Brunswick, Ga., to Hatteras, North Carolina, batten down or prepared to evacuate low-lying coastal areas as twin red and black hurricane signals were hoisted between the two points.

The weather bureau said indications were the center of the storm would strike inland this forenoon on the South Carolina coast from Charleston northward.

The howler regained momentum and force after passing into the Atlantic near St. Augustine last night. Winds up to 70 miles in gusts were reported.

Little structural damage or citrus crop losses were reported from the devastated storm as it moved through central and northern Florida, but South Florida counted scores of injured, hundreds of homeless and damage in the millions in the wage of the blow.

Greatest damage was reckoned at the Richmond naval air base 30 miles south of Miami where three towering blimp hangars collapsed and burned at the height of the storm, killing Harry Schultz, of Miami, civilian fire chief at the base.

The navy estimated that between \$30,000,000 and \$40,000,000 was lost in destruction of the \$4,000,000 hangars, largest single-span wooden structures in the world, and 366 planes and 25 blimps that were sheltered in the 190-foot long hangars.

YUGOSLAVIA

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expressed the opinion that the decision on the Italian-Yugoslav order is closely linked to the outcome of the tug of war for control of central Europe.

There appears to be agreement among the Big Five foreign ministers on only one aspect of the boundary dispute—that the Port of Trieste should be ruled so it can serve Czechoslovakia, Austria and Poland as well as Italy and Yugoslavia.

On the administration of the city of Trieste, the Istrian peninsula and the whole province of Venezia Giulia, however, there is a basic conflict.

The Yugoslavs claim all this territory. The Italians claim the same area which was theirs before the war, although apparently they are willing to concede small changes of the border, probably leaving Fiume to Yugoslavia.

The Russians are expected to support the Yugoslavs, while the Americans and British are believed to lean toward the Italian view.

ITALIAN COLONIES The vital question of who will rule the Italian colonies has been left for the time being to the Big Five deputies. The problem was referred to them by the foreign ministers with the change to make fullest possible use of the American plan to let the United Nations appoint administrators of the colonies.

The British and Chinese are reported to support the American plan, while the Russians and French are opposed. The French are believed to prefer to let the Italians administer the colonies rather than set the precedent of independence and international administration which might become a rallying cry in their own African colonies.

ITALIAN FRONTIERS In addition to the boundary with Yugoslavia, the foreign ministers also have to draw Italian frontiers with Austria and France.

The British and Americans may run into embarrassment on the Austrian border question because they have refused to recognize the government of Karl Renner, backed by Russia, and apparently there is no one else to present Vienna's viewpoint.

U. S. Secretary of State Byrnes has asked for a report from the Allied control commission in Austria, presumably in connection with Austrian views on the Italian border question.

Shelby Men Due To Reach N. Y. Sept. 15, 16

Several Shelby men were scheduled to arrive in New York on September 15, 16, from Europe, according to an Associated Press report.

Aboard SS General Stewart, scheduled to arrive Sept. 15; Pfc.

Robert Beam Takes Position At State

RALEIGH, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Robert D. Beam, trust officer of the Wachovia Bank and Trust company, became director of foundations, at N. C. State college today.

A 1926 graduate of State, Beam will supervise the solicitation of funds for foundations, which now have property exceeding \$1,000,000, he also will handle the public relations program for the foundations.

Beam, a native of Shelby, is permanent president of the class of 1926. He succeeds Poy L. Williamson, now city manager of Burlington. He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. Augustus Beam of Shelby.

Louis Jefferies, aboard SS E. B. Alexander, scheduled to arrive Sept. 16; Capt. N. P. Howington, Pfc. James H. Byrnes, Pfc. Everett C. Royster, Tec. 5 James W. Jones, Pfc. Samuel F. Phelps.

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