

WEATHER

Partly cloudy today, tonight and Thursday; moderately warm today and Thursday; rather cool again tonight.

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FORRESTAL DEMANDS POSTWAR CONTROL OF SEAS

President Truman Promises 'No Padding In Our Armed Forces'

Fayetteville Marooned, All Roads East, South Of Raleigh Inundated

By The Associated Press

Fayetteville was completely marooned and all highways east and south of Raleigh were inundated as high waters continued to rise on four North Carolina rivers, causing what weather bureau officials termed "one of the worst floods in the state's history."

Three rivers have already reached record stages—the Cape Fear at Fayetteville, the Dan river at Danville, and the Haw at Moncure. At Fayetteville the Cape Fear had reached 64.1 feet this morning and was still rising with no rain-fall. The flood stage at Fayetteville is 35 feet. At Elizabethtown, a crest of 34.8 was reached, with a normal flood stage of 26 feet. The Neuse river was reported to have reached 255 feet at Smithfield, where the river already was reported well out of its banks, and was still rising. At Neuse, a crest of 23.8 was reached, and at Goldsboro 15.1. The Roanoke river, originating in Virginia had reached a crest of 42.7 feet at Weldon, compared with flood stage of 31 feet, and was expected to reach 48 by tomorrow. Danville, Va., recorded a record reading of 21.3 feet. The rapidly rising Tar reached its highest peak at Greenville where a reading of 12.8 was reported. At Tarboro a crest of 18.8 was reached.

INUNDATED BRIDGES

The highway patrol reported a considerable record in inundated bridges. Transportation and communications have been disrupted, many families made homeless and thousands of acres of farmland already inundated—and the water level, in some instances, still is rising. Record peaks appeared certain for some of the rampaging streams and rivers, swollen with water which fell in record or near-record amounts throughout the two states.

No lives have been reported lost because of flood conditions, but property damage already is in the thousands of dollars and will mount higher. See FAYETTEVILLE Page 2

NO ACCURATE FORECAST OF NEEDS POSSIBLE

Speed Of Demobilization Not Governed By Future Needs

CONFIDENCE IN ARMY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(P)—President Truman declared today that there will be "no padding in our armed forces" and that "no one is going to be held in the service a day longer than is necessary."

The president said in a statement that no one can accurately forecast at this time the future military needs and noted that General Douglas MacArthur had revised his own estimates of the number of troops necessary for the occupation of Japan and Korea.

MacArthur first estimated that he required a force of 500,000, but cut this to 400,000 and then to 200,000.

"The army's plans call for the return to their homes of more than 2,000,000 soldiers between V-J day and Christmas, 1945," the president's statement said. "Between now and Christmas the discharge rate will steadily rise from the present daily figure of 15,200 to not less than 22,000 per day and by January, 1946, to more than 25,000 per day."

Meanwhile press Secretary Charles G. Ross told reporters they would have to put their own interpretation on President Truman's news conference remarks yesterday on MacArthur's occupation force statement.

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13 LEAVE FOR INDUCTION

Thirteen selectees, all between 18 and 19 years of age left here this morning for Fort Bragg for final induction into the armed services. Lamar Geran Champion was named leader of the group. Only one, J. D. Clark, failed to report.

Those who left were: Hoyle Wellmon, Howard Wyatt, William Austell Lutz, Flay Edwin Edwards, James Barlow Hines, Ambrose Carl Lail, Jr., Marvin Barrett, Hurchel Houser Harrill, Emmett Glendon Greene, David Eugene Ware, Berauch Dixon Crowe, Jr., G. W. Ellis, Jr., Lamar Geran Champion

U. S. COURT TO OPEN MONDAY

A term of United States District court will be convened in the Cleveland courthouse Monday with Judge E. Yates Webb presiding. The grand jury will be in session for the consideration of bills of indictment drawn in the United States attorney's office.

Violations of the liquor law predominate but there are postal violations, OPA violations and other federal charges also to be tried.

Government Moves To Aid Reconversion, Build Up Barriers Against Inflation

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(P)—The government set up some peacetime barriers against inflation today, after knocking down some wartime barriers to a free economy.

OPA prepared to limit rigidly the costs entering into new home building—which opens up October 15—although it cannot put a ceiling on the final price of the house.

These developments marked the further march of reconversion, in business and government.

1. OPA told retailers that wartime increases in manu-



SILVER STAR AWARD—Marine Gunner Sgt. Roy L. Parker, formerly of Shelby, is shown being awarded the Silver Star for heroic achievement in battle against the enemy on Okinawa. Enlisting in the U. S. Marines in 1938, Sgt. Parker saw duty aboard the U. S. S. New York, and in China during the Sino-Japanese war. He is a graduate of the Shelby high school, 1937 class. His wife and young daughter live at Wheeling, W. Va.

Ministers Consider Italian Frontiers

Italian Peace Treaty Has Become Knotty Issue Due To Conflicting Demands

LONDON, Sept. 19.—(P)—The council of Allied foreign ministers weighed the Italian-Yugoslav frontier claims today and it appeared that the current meeting would get no further than the Italian peace treaty, so complicated has that become.

Such topics as the Balkans, the Dardanelles and the western-German border probably will be relegated to the next meeting in late November or early December of the foreign ministers of the United States, Russia, Great Britain, France and China.

Russia's expressed interest in the Italian African colonies of Tripolitania and Eritrea drew comments from London morning papers. The conservative Daily Telegraph asked: "Does the Soviet government seriously stake a claim to trusteeship for Italy's African possessions? x x x it would be as reasonable to suggest that Great Britain should become trustee for outer Mongolia."

Ferocious close to the conferees said they were expected to go home next Thursday or Friday, turning undecided questions about the Italian peace treaty over to deputies for detailed recommendations.

KNOTTY ISSUE

The Yugoslav-Italian border issue still was knotty. The United States and Britain were understood to favor the Wilson line as the frontier, leaving Italy about two thirds of the Italian peninsula, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa—all of which fought against Italy—urged a frontier slightly west of the present military Demarcation

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:15 p.m.—Sunday School council of First Baptist church meets at the church. 7:45 p.m.—Prayer meeting at Presbyterian church. 8:00 p.m.—Mid-week prayer and praise service at First Baptist church. 8:00 p.m.—Fellowship hour at Central Methodist church. THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Kiwanis club. 7:30 p.m.—CAP cadets meet at armory.

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factoring costs are not to be passed on to the public in the form of higher prices for new washers, refrigerators and similar long-awaited products.

2. To speed the sale of vast war supplies, President Truman signed a bill creating a single administrator of the Surplus Property board.

3. Another war agency—the office of economic stabilization—was killed off.

4. The Brookings institution held that "a powerful movement for higher wage rates" is the greatest potential in-

NEW LIST OF WAR CRIMINALS EXPECTED SOON

Purge Of Reactionaries In Jap Cabinet Is Predicted

PAPERS SUSPENDED

TOKYO, Sept. 19.—(P)—General MacArthur's headquarters announced today it would issue soon a new and lengthy list of suspected Japanese war criminals, while reliable Japanese sources predicted an imminent purge of reactionary elements in the cabinet of Premier Higashi-Kuni.

Premier Prince Higashi-Kuni himself in a press conference yesterday told Allied correspondents that his government intended to determine responsibility for starting the war and try its own accused, provided General MacArthur approved.

Demonstrating its resolve to keep a firm grip on the conquered Japanese, headquarters suspended for one day a second Tokyo newspaper—the English language Nippon Times.

The paper was ordered 30 minutes before press time to withhold publication of its Thursday morning edition, not because of objectionable material but because its editors had failed to submit for American censorship a printer's proof of an editorial on the recent change of foreign ministers.

On Tuesday, the big Japanese language paper, Asahi, was ordered to skip publication for two days, for printing inflammatory articles.

RESIGNATIONS

The sources who spoke of impending cabinet resignations said Vice Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye probably would lead the list. He is a minister without portfolio. Two other cabinet members without portfolio who may step down at the same time, the sources said, are Lt. Gen. Toshihiro Ohata, and Taketora Ogata. The latter who also is chief cabinet secretary, was named by MacArthur on a list of members of the "Black Dragon" society, but it was understood American authorities had taken no action against him, in order to give the Japanese government time to prove its contention that he was

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3 BROTHERS AWAIT DEATH

Salisbury Boys, 12, 15, 19, Afflicted With Muscular Dystrophy

SALISBURY, Sept. 19.—(P)—The three Pinion brothers, the eldest 19, wait with patience and fortitude for the long in coming word that they will be dead.

The brothers are victims of muscular dystrophy a rare disease nearly always fatal. Doctors have pronounced their cases hopeless.

David, the oldest, has suffered with the disease the longest—for 11 years. Billy is 15, Lloyd 12. None has been able to walk since he was 10 years old.

Physicians do not expect David to live more than a year longer.

The youths spend most of their time in a small room in the home of their widowed mother, Mrs. D. E. Pinion. They like to read comic books and listen to their radio. Lloyd plays with his pet cat Smoky.

SCANT INCOME

The family's only income is from funds provided by welfare and charitable organizations, welfare workers say.

Recently all three were examined by doctors at the Duke University hospital in Durham. Nothing could be done, the doctors agreed.

The mother speaks openly of her sons' illness. They have known for a long time that all will soon die.

When a reporter recently visited the Pinion home, the mother displayed a clipping detailing the tragedy of eight-year-old Jerry Wynn of Miami Beach, stricken with the same disease.

"I can certainly sympathize with little Jerry's mother," Mrs. Pinion said brushing back the tears.

The brothers have a sister, a normal child, in an orphanage.

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Wants Peacetime Navy Capable Of Delivering Atomic Bomb Attacks

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(P)—Postwar control of the seas with a navy capable of "delivering atomic bomb attacks" was urged today by Navy Secretary James V. Forrestal before the house naval committee.

Testifying on legislation to determine the size of the peacetime navy, Forrestal said the key to future victory and to the freedom of this country "will be in the control of the seas and of the skies above them."

Specifically, he recommended: An active fleet, ready for battle, consisting of approximately 300 modern major combatant vessels including 11 battleships, 15 aircraft carriers including three 45,000-tonners, 21 escort carriers, 20 heavy and large cruisers, 29 light cruisers, 176 destroyers, 40 destroyer escorts and 90 submarines in addition to supporting craft.

All the battleships, carriers, cruisers, destroyers and submarines would be new ships completed since 1940.

A laid-up reserve of seven old battleships, 22 carriers built since 1940, 58 escort carriers, 14 heavy cruisers, 19 light cruisers, 191

destroyers, 257 destroyer escorts, 110 submarines and supporting craft.

"A ready reserve" of 100 additional major ships.

Forrestal and Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, chief of naval operations, were called as principal witnesses at the hearing.

Forrestal said no one knows what effect the atomic bomb will have on modeling navies, but emphasized that the United States navy intends to adapt the atomic bomb to carrier-based planes.

While immensely destructive, he said, the atomic bomb "is still a bomb, requiring land or carrier-based planes to deliver it. And the best defense against it is "intercepting air power."

"If we were to give away our fleet and rely wholly on the bomb, See WANTS Page 2

Schwellenbach's Authority Increased

Takes Immediate Action Toward Intervention, if Necessary, In Detroit Strikes

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(P)—Labor Secretary Lewis B. Schwellenbach, armed with new authority, carried out today his promise to "get right square in the middle" of Detroit's troubled labor situation.

He delegated his newly-appointed chief of the U. S. conciliation service, Edgar L. Warren, to study the Detroit strikes to determine whether government intervention is required.

Warren, who flew to Washington from Chicago last night, also considered calling principals in the Michigan city's strikes and threatened work stoppages to a labor-management conference.

Schwellenbach became the government's labor "boss" under the department's reorganization.

He held a presidential grant of broad new authority—although few new powers—to deal with industrial disputes.

President Truman shifted the War Labor board, the U. S. em-

James D. Allen, age 72, died last night at the Shelby Hospital, where he had been a patient since last Saturday. He suffered a stroke of paralysis on July 31 and never fully recovered.

Mr. Allen, a prominent farmer of the Elizabethtown community, three miles east of Shelby was a faithful member of the Elizabeth Baptist church. He was the son of the late Daniel and Sarah Allen of Hendersonville and was married to Miss Bessie Borders in 1899. She survives, together with the following children: Mrs. L. P. Owen of Knoxville, Tenn., Mrs. Guy Willis, Mrs. Paul Limerick, Corporal James C. Allen now serving overseas and unable to get home at this time, Miss Jessie Allen, Bill Allen, recently discharged from the Navy, and Pvt. Daniel B. Allen of Fort Dix, N. J. Two daughters Mrs. Monroe Poston and Faye Allen preceded him to the grave.

Also surviving are five grand-children Margaret Poston, Mrs. G. S. Stewart, J. M. Poston, Jr., Bobby Poston and Douglas Limerick. Two sisters also survive, Mrs. E. C. Ross and Mrs. Betty Young of Hendersonville. Two brothers and one sister preceded him to the grave.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at Elizabeth Baptist church with Rev. Boyd Cannon, pastor, in charge. Interment will take place in the Elizabethtown cemetery.

More Oils And Soap, Less Sugar In Last Quarter Of 1945

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(P)—More oils and soap will be available to civilians in the last quarter of 1945, but sugar supplies will be shorter for the next six months.

Secretary of Agriculture Anderson's estimates:

Vegetable oil shortening, cooking and salad oils, up 11 per cent. Household and bar soaps, up 3.4 per cent. Sugar, down 28 per cent.

Burton, Patterson, Symington Named

Democrats See Political Strategy In Elevation Of Burton To Supreme Court

By Jack Bell

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(P)—Swift senate confirmation seemed assured today for three major appointments by President Truman. They are:

FACTS IN EPES CASE REVIEWED

Mary Lee's Mother Testifies She Never Resort- ed To Drugs

By JOANNE EDSON

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 19.—(P)—Unearthing of the body of pretty Mary Lee Williams Epes from a shallow foxhole grave last February 14 was recounted in court today as the state sought to convict Lt. Samuel C. Epes, 27, Richmond, Va., of her murder.

Richland county Sheriff Alex Heise opened the trial's third day by describing how Epes led officers to the grave in a lonely area of nearby Fort Jackson last St. Valentine's day.

He recounted the trail of investigation that began with Epes' report of Mary Lee's supposed disappearance last January 29.

Heise said the case was "broken" when the young officer gave

1. Senator Harold R. Burton, Ohio Republican, as associate justice of the Supreme court. He succeeds Republican Owen J. Roberts, resigned.

2. Robert P. Patterson, present undersecretary, as secretary of war. He succeeds Henry L. Stimson, resigned.

3. W. Stuart Symington as surplus property administrator. He takes over from a three-man board which he formerly headed.

Congressional Republicans and Democrats alike got a lift out of Mr. Truman's unexpected choice of Burton for the Supreme court—but for slightly different reasons.

Republicans liked the selection



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of the 57-year-old senate colleague because they regard him as a highly qualified lawyer and because he is one of them.

POLITICAL STRATEGY

Democrats chuckled at the political strategy of the President. Some said he was influenced in his choice by Robert E. Hannegan, Democratic national chairman.

Burton's exit from the senate will give Gov. Frank J. Lausche of Ohio, a Democrat, a chance to appoint one of his party members in

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THIRD COUNTY TAXES ALREADY COLLECTED

With a total of \$95,528.36 of the 1945 county tax levy already collected before the 1945 statements are mailed out, Charles Dilling, county auditor and tax supervisor, said this morning that Cleveland had experienced the best pre-payment collection in history. What has already been collected represents approximately one-third of the total 1945 levy.

The tax books prepared by the county auditor's office were formally turned over to R. S. Gidney, county collector this morning. Statements will be mailed out to the 18,000 taxpayers in Cleveland county on October 1.

F. R. Summers, representing the W. A. Mauney heirs, was the first citizen in Cleveland to pay his 1945 taxes. He made his remittance in May.

One percent discount is still allowed this month on pre-paid taxes. One-half of one percent will be allowed during October whereas in November, February and January taxes will be net.