WEATHER
North Carolina — Mostly cloudy and continued cool with occasional rain this afternoon, tonight and Saturday, except partly cloudy in east portion this afternoon.

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Navy Takes Over Strike-Bound Oil Plants

LABOR PICTURE PLAGUED WITH NEW TROUBLES

Third Of Nation's Oil Refining Capacity Taken Over

PHONES GO DEAD

By Norman Walker

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—(AP)—The Navy was boss today over a third of the nation's oil refinery capacity.

President Truman seized strike-bound plants in 15 states last night and put the job of getting them back into production into the Navy's hands. Twenty-six companies were taken over.

Mr. Truman said the strike of 43,000 workers had caused "serious shortages" in fuel supplies of the armed forces, besides endangering essential production and "all forms of transportation."

DALLAS, TEX., Oct. 5—(AP)—O. A. Knight, chairman of the international executive council of the Oil Workers International union (CIO) today notified Texas oil strikers to return to work.

Elsewhere on the troubled labor scene:

1. A four-hour interruption in the nation's telephone service—except for dial phones—was scheduled today from 2 to 6 p.m., eastern standard time, as a protest demonstration by the National Federation of Telephone Workers.

2. With 12,500 soft coal miners idle, the government intervened in another dispute: Secretary of Labor Schwellen-

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INFANTRY BEAUTY QUEEN IS A POLIO VICTIM—Julia York, 21, of Macon, Ga., beauty queen of the 398th Infantry, Second Battalion, now overseas, lies in an iron lung in Atlanta's Grady Hospital, and talks with her fiance, Pvt. Ralph B. Welch, in Geneva, Switzerland. She was stricken with poliomylitis nine weeks ago. Julia was chosen queen of the infantry from a photo carried overseas by Welch who lives in Morristown, N. J. The overseas telephone call was part of her reward for winning the beauty contest. Agnes Carter, supervisor of the hospital's polio contagious unit, holds the telephone.—(AP Photo)

SPEEDY HOUSE SUPPORT SEEN FOR TAX CUTS

Both Parties Backing Proposed Five Billions Tax Reduction

VARY VINSON PLAN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—(AP) — A $5,000,000,000 tax-cutting bill goes before the house next week for debate and almost certain quick passage.

Both Democrats and Republicans were pleased with the measure which emerged from the ways and means committee late yesterday.

In a nutshell, it:

1. Cuts the income tax next year for each individual by at least 10 per cent, trimming a total $2,600,000,000 from levies against personal incomes.

2. Sweeps about 12,000,000 low-income persons from the income tax rolls completely—after January 1.

3. Slices corporation burdens next year by $1,900,000,000. This will be done by reducing the 95 percent excess profits tax to 60 percent; cutting four surtax points from the 40 percent combined normal and surtax rate and killing off, next July 1, the corporation declared value stocks tax. The excess profits levy will be repealed Jan. 1, 1947.

4. Cuts back, July 1, the war-imposed excise levies on such things as liquor, luggage, furs, jewelry and cosmetics. This will amount to an overall saving of $550,000,000 to consumers in the last half of 1946.

5. Freezes the social security tax in 1946; meaning that employers and employes will continue to pay one percent each on payrolls and pay envelopes. This tax was set to jump from one to 2.5 percent January 1.

6. Repeals the $5 automobile use tax next July 1, for a saving to motorists of $135,000,000.

The committee kept within $300,000,000 of the $5,000,000,000 limit urged by Secretary of the Treasury Fred M. Vinson. But it departed broadly from the shearing methods Vinson proposed. The full house and the senate may make more changes in the bill before it becomes law.

For individuals the administration asked simply that the three percent "normal" tax be repealed. Instead the committee in a Republican sponsored compromise, applied the more liberal surtax exemptions $500 for the taxpayer and $500 for each dependent) to the normal levy (now collected on all taxable income above $500 without regard to number of dependents).

HONOR FOR MR. GREENBERG—Honorary President Henry Greenberg (left) of the Lakeland, Fla., Chamber of Commerce, better known as Hank Greenberg of the Detroit Tigers, gets a lifetime membership certificate from the chamber. Presenting the certificate at the World Series in Detroit is Sports Writer Whitney Martin of the Associated Press, who suggested the itiea.—(AP Wirephoto).

EMPEROR MAY ASK MacARTHUR FOR YOSHIDA

Freedom Policy And Ousting Of Home Minister Draw Action

KONOYE MENTIONED

By Russell Brines

TOKYO, Oct. 5.—(AP)—Japan's post-surrender cabinet quit today because it couldn't—or wouldn't—enforce General MacArthur's revolutionary freedom policy and oust it home minister—and Japanese newspapermen said former foreign minister Shigeru Yoshida "might" be the new premier.

Emperor Hirohito accepted the resignation of Prince Higashi-Kuni and his entire cabinet with the comment "that is good," and made it clear that he would ask MacArthur's prior approval of the next premier.

FOXY CHARACTER

Yoshida, a career diplomat, told Japanese interviewers that "it is not I," but they pointed out that he "is always foxy and wouldn't admit it beforehand anyway." They added that two visits they said he made to the imperial palace today—and two calls at MacArthur's headquarters — indicated his selection and approval.

They reported this itinerary for Yoshida:

Visited Marquis Koicho Kido, who with Baron Kiichiro Haranuma is reportedly advising Hirohito on the new appointment, at 6 p.m. Tokyo time (4 a.m. E.S.T.), going a half-hour later directly to allied headquarters.

Returned to the palace at 6:55 for a second conference with Kodo, and 20 minutes later visited the foreign minister's official residence. Prince Fumimaro Konoye, reportedly also a possible choice as new premier, visited Yoshida at 7:30 p.m.

Kido left his office immediately after Yoshida's second call. Yoshida earlier in the day had conferred at length with MacArthur's chief of staff.

Headquarters explained in a press release tonight that Yoshida's first call had been to inform the allied command officially of the resignation of the cabinet and

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Carolina Plants Hit By Strikes, Coal Shortage

Gravity Of Situation And Work Stoppages Stirs Officials

By The Associated Press

Chief concern on the North and South Carolina labor front today, where thousands of workers principally in the textile industry, have been affected by work stoppages, was supplied by the prospect of a four-hour cessation of telephone service in the two states by a strike of workers scheduled from 2 P. M. to 6 P. M.

All cities in the Carolinas served by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company were expected to be affected by the temporary layoff which was for the purpose of holding a strike vote, according to Paul Summerville, chairman of the Charlotte branch of the Southern Federation of Telephone Workers.

Meantime, another impending work stoppage that caused concern indicated that South Carolina cotton mills faced a shutdown because of a shortage of coal. Numerous mills reported that they had a week's supply of coal on hand, while several other plants reported a two-weeks supply.

Sensing the gravity of the situation, Senator Olin D. Johnston of South Carolina, issued a statement in Washington last night in which he declared that coal shipment to Europe "will cease immediately until this country can see exactly what's going to happen."

Sen. Johnston said he had conferred with the Solids Fuels Administration yesterday on hearing that South Carolina cotton mills might have a shut down for lack of fuel and added he was assured a study of the situation was being made.

Sen. Johnston declared that "if coal hadn't been sent to Europe we'd have plenty for our South Carolina cotton mills and homes now."

Elsewhere on the strike and work-stoppage map in the Carolinas the picture looked like this:

Gov. Ransome J. Williams of

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McBRAYER WILL OPEN WAR FUND

Will Address United War Fund Kick-Off Breakfast Tuesday Morning

Capt. John Z. McBrayer, county service officer who lost a leg in the crash of his bomber in China, will be principal speaker at the kick-off breakfast Tuesday at 8:30 in the Charles Hotel dining room, when workers in the United War Fund campaign to raise $23,932 set forth on their intensive drive, Chairman Shem K. Blackley stated today.

Announced also were the community chairman for the county outside Shelby: Byron Keeter, Kings Mountain merchant, is co-chairman handling the separate drive in Kings Mountain and Number Four township; John F. Schenck, jr., and C. D. Forney, jr., Lawndale; Tom Moore, Double Shoals; J. B. Lowery and J. C. Jenkins, Patterson Springs; B. Austell and R. L. Nichols Earl; Mrs. John Wacaster, Waco; Hugh Hoyle, Belwood; C. Tom Stamey, Polkville; W. R. Gary, Fallston; John A. Hallman, Lattimore; J. U. Rollins, Mooresboro; C. A. Brittain, Casar; J. W. Turk, Stubbs.

Mr. Blackley revealed also a break-down of the National War Fund dollar, based on tentative budgets for the period from October 1, 1945, to October 1, 1946, as follows: United Service Organization .54; United Seamen's Service, .04; War Prisoners Aid, .02; Foreign Relief and Refugee Aid (15 separate agencies) .35; emergency fund, .04; and administrative expense, .01. The highest per capita allocation for foreign relief is for Greece, with 52 cents per capita; the lowest is for China, with 2.6 cents.

Legion Seeking Own Building In Center

Trustees Name Committee To Study Details For Unit That Would Include Auditorium

A proposal from the American Legion to incorporate its new building, including auditorium and large kitchen and facilities, into the projected community center was taken under advisement by trustees of the Shelby and Cleveland Foundation Thursday evening after Willis McMurry, commander of Warren Hoyle Post, had voiced the group's willingness to contribute "from $30,000 to $50,000" toward the project.

Commander McMurry's proposal, tendered following endorsement of the idea at the Legion's meeting Monday night, found immediate favor with the trustees who felt the Legion, whose program will incorporate thousands of returning service men, rightfully has a place in such a center and especially the memorial feature of it.

Chairman O. M. Mull named Mal A. Spangler, sr., J. R. Dover, jr., and Dick LeGrand to confer with the Legion's special committee which includes Commander McMurry, Hugh Noell, Jean W. Schenck and Griffin P. Smith to work out details for presentation to trustees at their next session.

The plan as outlined tentatively by Commander McMurry calls for a wing of the building to be the Legion's home, but the auditorium and dining room would be geared into the whole structure and program so that no duplication of such facilities would be necessary. He said the present Legion hut is already inadequate and it is the purpose to sell to the county the Legion's long-term leasehold on that property and incorporate the money, plus additional funds now held, into a fund the commander confidently expects to reach a $50,000 figure before construction could begin.

The trustees also approved the suggestion of Finance co-chairman Spangler that the campaign to raise an additional $100,000 this year for the community project get underway November 6.

DR. BAGBY DEAD

CHESTER, S. C., Oct. 5—(AP)—The Rev. Harry Ashby Bagby, D.D., 81-year-old retired Baptist minister and for many years an outstanding member of the Southern Baptist convention, died today of a sudden heart attack while vlisting his brother, Dr. Paul Bagby of Louisburg, N. C.

LEAGUE READY TO ORGANIZE

Stettinius Reveals 31 Nations Have Ratified Charter

LONDON, Oct. 5. —(AP)— Edward R. Stettinius, American delegate to the United Nations reparatory commission, announced today that 30 countries had ratified the organization's charter—one more than necessary to bring it into existence.

Stettinius, who made the announcement at an open meeting of the league's executive committee, said 11 countries already had deposited their ratifications in Washington and that the other countries had sent word that ratifications were on the way.

Meanwhile, an argument developed within the league's executive committee over the question of postponing the first formal assembly of the league until after Christmas. With it came a hint that the executive committee was running into the same sort of difficulty that caused the collapse of the meeting of foreign ministers—Questions of procedure.

Prof. C. K. Webster, alternate British delegate, frankly warned his colleagues that unless the arrangements on procedure "are well done, it might well wreck the whole assembly."

But Stettinius stood firm for convening the league assembly early in December.

The executive committee decided to wind up its session on Oct. 18, and to fix Nov. 8 as the starting date for the 50-member preparatory conference, which will arrange for the assembly, probably in December.

ARGENTINE ENDS STUDENT STRIKE

Surrender Barricaded University Buildings After Police Fight

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 5 —(AP)—Col. Filomeno Velazco, chief of the federal police, announced that the siege of Argentina universities would end today, when students barricaded within the institutions are expected to surrender the buildings peacefully.

Police this morning occupied buildings of seven schools of the Buenos Aires national university and arrested a large number of students. The police chief said he had ordered withdrawal of main police forces, leaving only guards at the universities.

The week-long strike of 30,000 Argentine students reached a violent climax last night when a 20-year-old student was killed by revolver fire during a student clash with nationalist groups in front of the University of Buenos Aires engineering school.

The death was the first in the rebellion of the students against the government's reimposed state of siege. The revolt began when the students of the six Argentine universities occupied their buildings in protest against repressive governmental measures.

TRUMAN GETS BYRNES REPORT

State Secretary To Broadcast Tonight On London Parley

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5 —(AP)—President Truman receives a first-hand report from Secretary of State Byrnes today on the stormy sessions of the foreign ministers council at London.

Tonight Byrnes will broadcast to the nation on the slender accomplishments and major disagreements of the first council meeting. His 30-minute speech (CSB, 9:30 p.m., E.S.T.) is expected to carry a plea for patience and understanding and to promise an early new attack on the task of writing the peace of Europe.

Differences over how this should be done split Russia away from the United States and Great Britain and deadlocked the London conference. The western allies wanted France and China to sit in on the treaty-making. Russia wanted the Big Three to do the job alone.

After three weeks of wrangling the conference broke up early this week and Byrnes arrived in Washington by plane last night. He said he would see the President today and make the radio speech tonight and for the rest—he was happy to be home again.

Violence Flares In Warner Strike

BURBANK, Calif., Oct. 5. —(AP)—All available Burbank police were rushed to Warner Brothers motion picture studio early today when violence broke out in the eight-months-old film strike. More than 300 pickets and police and deputy sheriffs, were involved.

Pickets were reported to have barricaded streets leading to the sprawling studio and halted workers seeking to enter. Two automobiles were overturned and one man was stabbed.

Chief of Police Elmer Adams asked help from the Glendale police department and the Los Angeles county sheriff's office.

The studio is situated on a main traffic artery, and many city-bound workers were delayed by the blockade.

Strikes At A Glance

By the Associated Press

Idle across country over labor disputes increase to nearly 530,000; major trouble spots:

OIL — President Truman ordered Navy to seize strike-bound properties of 26 oil companies in 15 states: CIO union's next move on status of 43,000 strikers.

COAL—147,000 coal miners, more than one-third of nation's total, joined walkout in six states closing about 450 pits; steel mill blast furnaces began to shut down; government calls conference of operators and John L. Lewis.

COMMUNICATIONS — Some 250,000 independent union telephone operators and associated workers expected to leave jobs from 2 to 6 p.m. E.S.T. today for strike vote, threatening to disrupt nation's telephone service.

SHIPPING—Walkout of between 35,000 and 60,000 workers in Port of New York crippled shipping, halted movement of 166 ships.

LUMBER—61,000 AFL members in Pacific Northwest continued strike; 41,000 CIO members remained on job during

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'Unity Demonstration' By Phone Workers Underway

NEW YORK, Oct. 5—(AP)—About 20,000 employes in 21 Western Electric company plants will "lead the parade" of telephone workers throughout the nation who are scheduled to stop work from 2 to 6 p.m. (E.S.T.) today for a strike vote and "unity demonstration," a union official announced.

The Western Electric workers in the New York area will leave their jobs one hour early—at 1 p.m.—because recommended dissolution of their union is focal point of the dispute, Henry Mayer, counsel for the National Federation of Telecare factory workers and maintenance men.

Union spokesmen claimed that 250,000 to 400,000 operators and other telephone workers will leave phone Workers (Ind) and the Western Electric Employes Association, said.

A National Labor Relations Board trial examiner's report recommended dissolution of the Western Electric Employes Union at the Kearney, N. J., plant on the ground that it was company dominated. The union said the report favored a rival CIO union.

The Western Electric Employes early stoppage will not affect long distance calls, since the employes their work.

All long distance calls, domestic and foreign, will be stopped, the union said. All local calls but those made over dial telephones will cease in many cities.

In many other cities, however, local service will continue.

TWO MISSING IN FLORIDA CRASH

LAKELAND, Fla., Oct. 5—(AP)—Florida State Senator Harrison E. Barringer of Sarasota is one of two passengers reported missing in the crash of a National Airlines plane which crashed into Lake Parker about 1:30 a.m. EST. this morning as it overshot the Lakeland air field, airline officials stated.

Thirteen other passengers, including pilot and co-pilot, were rescued by boat when they crawled from the wrecked plane, which plummeted into 12 feet of water in the middle of the lake.

The two passengers were pinned in the wreckage underwater. MacDill field diving equipment was being rushed to the scene from Tampa.

The 13 persons rescued were taken immediately to Morrell Memorial hospital to be treated for shock, bruises and possible internal injuries.

BEGIN WORK ON STREETS

Brown Paving Company began this week on its contract for resurfacing a considerable mileage of Shelby streets. Work has already been completed on South Washington street and today work was progressing rapidly on East Warren street between Jones and Chestnut street. The contractor plans to add more equipment on the local job within the next few days in order that the work may be completed before cold weather.

The contract was let by the board of aldermen several weeks ago and involves a total of $47,762 worth of work.

EMERGENCY CALLS WILL BE HANDLED

Arrangements were made at the local office of the Southern Bell and Telegraph company to handle emergency calls this afternoon during the work stoppage scheduled to last from 2 to 6 p.m. at all Southern Bell plants while union elections are taking place.

The general public is asked to make no calls during those hours unless an emergency exists. Special arrangements have been made to care for calls to police and fire departments.

Laval Returns To Trial Under Threat Of Eviction

PARIS, Oct. 5—(AP)—Pierre Laval returned to the high court of justice which had ousted him from his own treason trial and asserted today that the authoritative powers granted Old Marshal Petain after the fall of France "would be useful to the country."

Laval had lawyers today, three of them. They refused to attend the tumultous opening of the celebrated session yesterday but repented overnight after being warned of disbarment.

"I demand for Pierre Laval the same rights that are being granted the monsters of Belsen in Lueneburg," chief defense counsel Albert Naud insisted. He referred to the current trial of 45 Nazi concentration camp functionaries before a British military court.

Much of the session was devoted to Laval's final and futile plea for a postponement. When Judge Paul Mongibeaux denied this, Laval asked the jury to "reserve your judgment until I have fully explained my case."

The former premier of the Vichy regime said he had wanted to be a buffer between the French and the German occupants. He recalled there had been no protest at the national assembly against the armistice.

"I am accused," Laval said, "of trying to overthrow the 1875 constitution, but on Oct. 21 the French people will go to the polls to decide whether that constitution will be done away with. x x x if the 1875 constitution is dead, it died before I touched it."

Navy Promoting 60,000 Officers

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5. —(AP)—The Navy has promoted 60,000 officers of grades through commander who had been unchanged in rank for 18 to 25 months.

Most are naval reserve members, many of whom the Navy is anxious to have retain their commissions after the emergency.

To encourage the reservists further the department plans soon to nominate about 50 for flag rank, commodore or higher.