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North Carolina: Little change in temperature today and tonight. Warmer Sunday.

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NIXON SAYS GERMAN INDUSTRIALISTS PAMPERED

NLRB Lacks Money To Hold Strike Votes; 600 Requests On Hand

NO MORE FUNDS PROVIDED BY APPROPRIATION

Only Agency Empowered To Supervise Strike Balloting

GM DISPUTE STANDS

By The Associated Press The National Labor Relations Board, which since July, 1943, has spent about a million dollars conducting strike votes, was without funds today to carry on further balloting and some 600 labor union requests for votes were left stranded.

The disclosure that the NLRB had discontinued conducting strike ballots came soon after President Truman signed a deficiency appropriation bill which provided no funds for the activity. The NLRB, an official said, is the only agency empowered to supervise strike ballots.

One of the newest petitions filed with the board was by the AFL building and construction trades council in New York City for a strike vote among 200,000 New York City Building Trades workers.

The proposed ballot, the council said, was in protest against a decision of the Federal Department of Labor's wage adjustment board which failed to give the workers a straight 15 per cent wage increase that the union and employers had agreed was warranted.

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C Of C Housing Committee Goes Into Action

Machinery was set in motion by the new housing committee of the Shelby chamber of commerce at its meeting at the city hall yesterday afternoon to use every influence on the government to release surplus building materials and to cut red tape which is now hampering the operation of saw mills and dealers in materials.

An avalanche of letters from local civic club members and other local citizens to the two North Carolina senators and Rep. A. L. Bulwinkle seeking their cooperation is planned. Petitions will also be circulated locally to the same effect and these will be sent to Washington.

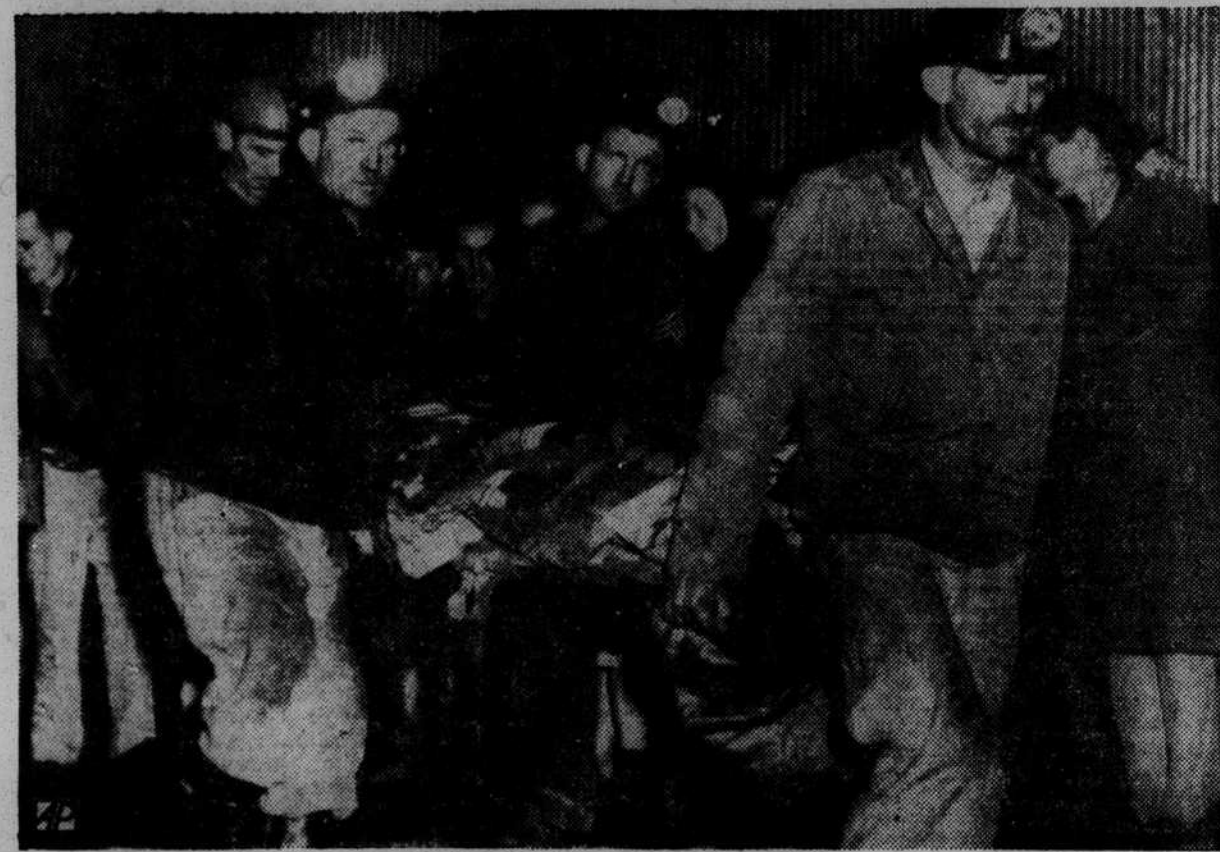
In addition to this drumming up of public opinion, the committee set up a sub-committee to investigate the shortage of building materials. On this committee are Carl Thompson, chairman, R. J. Rucker and Zol Thompson. This committee will also look into sources of supply.

The letters which are to be sent to the senators and representatives will contain strong endorsements of the positions of the National Lumber Dealers association and the Association of General Contractors, favoring the release of building materials from controls and giving the G. I. preference at all times.

WITHOUT HOUSING

The committee took official note of the fact that many families are now without decent housing facilities. No discussion was held with relation of the pre-fabricated houses understood now to be available from the government. However these were offered as a possibility of temporary relief this morning by certain interested member of the committee.

Mal Spangler was named chairman of the new committee after it had been called together by Dr. S. S. Royster, president of the chamber of commerce. Gus Evans was named vice chairman and Glenn Summerlin was elected secretary. Others present included Mayor Harry Woodson, R. J. Rucker and J. Dale Stenz, secretary of the chamber of commerce.



RESCUE WORKERS BRING MINER ALIVE TO SURFACE—One of two miners rescued alive Friday afternoon is brought from the No. one mine of the Kentucky Straight Creek coal company near Pineville, Ky., by rescue workers. The rescuers are carrying him to the mine office nearby for administration of oxygen. Seven others, entombed by an explosion Dec. 26, were found alive but were left in the mine temporarily until doctors could complete first aid treatment. (AP Wirephoto)

Eight Of Trapped Miners Found Alive

One Other Dies While Being Brought From Mine; Badly Burned Body Located

PINEVILLE, Ky., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Eight miners, rescued from the wreckage of an explosion-shattered coal tunnel near here, were safe in a Pineville hospital today and two others were dead, as rescue workers pressed their search for the remaining 21 men.

All but one of the eight, removed from the tunnel last night, were reported responding satisfactorily to medical treatment. The eighth, identified as Tom McQueen of Pineville, was reported in a serious condition. All were injured in the blast Wednesday.

Rescue crews found the severely burned body of an unidentified miner today, near the spot where they expected to locate the remaining miners. The first casualty was identified last night as Albert Bennett, 64, also of Pineville, who was found alive but died before he could be brought out of the tunnel of the Kentucky Straight Creek Coal company mine number one.

A crowd of close to 200 men, women and children huddled around the mine entrance throughout the night, waiting anxiously for some word about the fate of the miners still inside the long tunnel. That word was expected momentarily.

Eight of the nine men rescued since 2 p.m. (EST) yesterday were reported on their way to recovery in the Pineville Community hospital. They were removed during the night from the two and one-half mile long tunnel of the Kentucky Straight Creek Coal company mine number one.

The ninth man, identified as Albert Bennett, 64, of Pineville, died before he could be brought to the surface.

Full medical supplies and resuscitation equipment were brought to the surface.

23 Killed When Ammunition Explodes

ROME, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Italian news agency Ansa said 23 persons were killed and 30 injured yesterday in an explosion of an ammunition dump near Codroipo, 12 miles southwest of Udine.

Truman Preparing Speech For Broadcast Next Thursday

By D. HAROLD OLIVER WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—President Truman secluded himself and a small staff of aides aboard the yacht Williamsburg today to write a straight-to-the-people speech he will broadcast next Thursday. Secretary of State Byrnes planned to join him late today to report on the Big Three foreign ministers conference at Moscow. The president started his four day trip down the Potomac river to Chesapeake bay after a crammed two hours of desk work at the White House in which he signed 64 bills and resolutions.

38 ARRESTED IN JERUSALEM

Held On Suspicion Of Participating In Thursday Outbreaks

JERUSALEM, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Thirty-eight persons suspected of participating in shootings and bombings Thursday night which resulted in ten deaths in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv were under arrest today. The initial result of a police and military dragnet which rounded up nearly 2,700 persons for questioning.

The 38 were arrested in Ramth Gan, a village near the all-Jewish town of Tel Aviv where 682 persons were questioned. The remainder rounded up in Palestine's biggest manhunt were seized in Jerusalem.

Every male under 60, including the entire guest list of the Eden hotel, was arrested in the Bezalel section of Jerusalem. The curfew was lifted in Tel Aviv today, but remained in effect in Jerusalem. Private telephones still were not operating in large parts of the city because of security regulations.

OVER HALF OF SELECTEES ARE OUT OF ARMY

More than half of the selectees who entered the armed services through the Shelby draft board have now been discharged, it was revealed this morning by Mrs. Clara Newman, secretary to the board. This board has processed the entrance of a total of 3,873 men into the armed services and of this number a few more than 2,000 have now been released.

The draft office will be closed next Monday and Tuesday but was open today despite the fact that it is usually not open on Saturday. The office will also be open next Saturday.

Five Children Die When Home Burns

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Five children, ranging in age from one to nine years, died of suffocation today in a fire which swept the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carcare. Fire officials expressed the belief that the blaze was caused by Christmas tree lights. The children were alone in the house, officials said, their parents having gone to open a gasoline station operated by their father. The fire was the third in Connecticut within a week to take a heavy loss of life. Nineteen persons died as a result of Christmas Eve fire in a convalescent hospital at Hartford, while a fire in Meriden earlier the same day took the lives of four children and their parents.

Reds Said Welcoming Nationalists To Mukden

CHUNGKING, Dec. 29.—(AP)—While communist leaders here awaited a reply today to their truce proposal, Peiping reports said that Russians sent a message of welcome to Chinese government troops moving toward Mukden, leading industrial city of turbulent Manchuria.

The Central Chinese news agency reported General Tu Li-Ming's army about 70 miles from Mukden, but said he dispatched officers to rendezvous with the Russian officers to arrange for entrance of the Chinese forces into the city.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's troops also are planning early assaults against Red-held Kalgan, capital of Chahar, and Chengteh, capital of Jehol, the Communist dispatches alleged.

Nationalist sources here said the attacks on Shaopo and Kaoyu indicated a possible Communist attempt to cut Nanking-Shanghai communications. Government quarters reiterated "no comment" today to repeated reports that Chiang Chung-Kuo, elder son of Generalissimo Chiang, had resigned as commissioner of foreign affairs in Manchuria and gone as special envoy to Moscow.

Crew Members Riot Aboard U. S. Ship

Strong Force Of Harbor Police Required To Break Up Knife Fight Between White, Chinese Seamen

PORTSMOUTH, ENGLAND, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A strong detachment of harbor police broke up a knife fight between white and Chinese members of the crew of the 7,240-ton American ship Anna Dickinson last night.

An SOS from the vessel to British naval authorities brought harbor police swarming over the side on rope ladders under threatening knives and axes brandished by white and Chinese seamen engaged in a riot.

The ship, registered under the U. S. war shipping administration, had anchored in the channel between the Isle of Wight and the English mainland after taking a heavy battering by gales and rough seas.

Police said several arrests were made and the incident was reported to U. S. naval authorities.

Discipline Portsmouth authorities arrested three merchant seamen and left Americans in charge of the vessel. Police officials conferred with American authorities on board the ship this afternoon concerning disciplinary action.

The police, who were unarmed, restored order within an hour. Shortly afterward an American boat from Southampton arrived with a U. S. provost marshal and a strong detachment of American military police.

The fighting between the crew members broke out after the Anna Dickinson had dropped anchor.

Far Eastern Advisory Group In Honolulu

HONOLULU, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Allied Far Eastern advisory commission arrived today en route to Tokyo to investigate how Japan is carrying out her surrender terms. The 40-member group, arriving at Hickam Field in two C-54 transport planes, transferred to the U.S.S. Mount McKinley for the rest of the journey.

1945 REVIEWED:

City Looks To 1946 As Year Of Growth; Money On Hand To Finance Developments

The city of Shelby goes into the New Year with \$250,000 saved away in the old sock and with an executive head, Mayor Harry S. Woodson, who has definite ideas about some municipal needs. First on the list of needs for the city of Shelby, according to the mayor, is the completion of a street resurfacing program which was begun last fall with the expenditure of around \$60,000 and which will be carried on with about an equal expenditure next spring. This will be supplemented with work in curbing and gut-ting, now badly needed. Con-



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tract has already been extended with the Brown Paving company at a price which the mayor regarded as extremely reasonable. Eight miles of streets were resurfaced last fall and a program about equal to that is planned for the spring. Streets are regarded as an essential part of the public service and must be maintained, according to the mayor.

WATER FILTERS

Item number two on the mayor's must list, not so expensive as street surfacing, it is true, but just as essential, is the rebuilding of the water filters at the pumping station. These filters have been in use for nearly 20 years and have become less efficient. This job will take between \$2,500 and \$3,000, it is thought.

Coming next on the mayor's program is the purchase of about \$50,000 worth of new rolling equipment, including at least three fire trucks. Five trash trucks also need to be replaced and also the police cars.

One of the most ambitious undertakings for 1946 is involved in

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INDUSTRIES NOT BEING DESTROYED

Believes Leaders Should Be Arrested Under Allied Directive

'PRESSURE' RELEASES

By Charles Chamberlain BERLIN, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Russell A. Nixon, deputy director of the division of investigation of cartels and external assets of the American military government, asserted today that military authorities in the American zone were "pampering" German industrialists.

Nixon, former instructor in the economics department at Harvard University and later CIO Washington representative for the United Electrical Workers, declared in an interview that German industries were not being destroyed and that industrialists were not being arrested as he believed they should under a directive of the joint chiefs of staff.

He also declared that "pressure" forced his division to release from jail a number of leaders of the I. G. Farben Industrie, gigantic German chemical trust, after they had been interrogated.

Lt. Gen. Lucian D. Clay, deputy military governor of Germany, said, "I found out about the release of these Farben leaders only the other day. If any pressure was brought for their release, it certainly did not come from this office. We still have ten in custody, however."

Col. E. S. Pillsbury, control officer for the Farben Industrie, informed Nixon that "if and when this office obtains information which provides a basis for substantive charges against these officials which provides a basis for substantive charges against these officials or any of them, such

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Military Leaders May Meet Soon To Talk UNO Force

By JOHN A. PARRIS LONDON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Diplomatic quarters said today they expected that a five-power meeting of military leaders would take place in January to discuss establishment of the international peace preservation force contemplated by the United Nations charter.

A British foreign office spokesman neither confirmed nor denied reports that plans for a meeting of the military chiefs of the United States, Britain, Russia, France and China were under discussion through diplomatic channels on the initiative of the British government.

The spokesman, however, drew attention to provisions of the United Nations charter which authorizes establishment of a military staff committee to work with the security council.

The charter says this committee is to assist and advise the security council on all questions relating to military requirements for the maintenance of international peace and security, the employment and command of forces placed at the disposal of the United Nations and regulation of armaments and disarmament.

"This committee," said the spokesman, "will be constituted when the security council is established." It was generally assumed in authoritative quarters that this meeting would be held at the earliest possible moment after organization of the peace agency's security council by the United Nations general assembly which will hold its first session in London January 10.

WHAT'S DOING

SUNDAY 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.—USO center open to service folk visiting in the city. MONDAY 7:30 p.m.—State Guard will drill at armory.