

Brief Review Of State, National And World News During The Past Week

DR. NICHOLS BUTLER DIES AT AGE OF 85

New York — Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, 85, eminent educator and eloquent spokesman for world peace who was president of Columbia University for 44 years, died early Sunday of bronchial pneumonia.

Dr. Butler, who had been blind in his later years and who had been president emeritus of Columbia since his retirement in 1945, died at St. Luke's Hospital where he had been admitted after suffering an attack of indigestion.

He developed bronchial pneumonia Thursday and his condition became critical Saturday night. He was unconscious at the end which came at 1:52 a. m. (e.s.t.). With him at his bedside were his widow, the former Miss Kate La Montagne, and his two physicians, Dr. William H. McCastline, Columbia medical officer, and Dr. William H. Boese, a member of the university medical staff.

GREER TO SERVE N. C. BUSINESS FOUNDATION

Chapel Hill. — Dr. I. G. Greer who will move to Chapel Hill Jan. 1 and establish headquarters at the university as executive vice president of the Business Foundation of North Carolina Inc., has had a long career of public service in North Carolina.

The announcement, made Friday by Robert M. Hanes of Winston-Salem, president of the Business Foundation, that Dr. Greer had accepted appointment as executive vice-president, marks another forward step in the foundation's program.

Launched at a meeting in July 1946 by prominent business industrial and professional leaders of the State, the general purposes of the foundation were expressed in its original charter as being "to aid and promote, by financial assistance and otherwise, all types of education, service and research for business and industry at or through the School of Commerce and other departments of the University of North Carolina as Chapel Hill.

GREECE TROUBLED BY CRIPPLING STRIKES

Athens — The Greek Parliament adopted early yesterday drastic labor legislation outlawing all strikes and providing penalties ranging from six months imprisonment to death. The law is to continue in force until the Leftist rebellion has been crushed. Penalties are also provided in cases where employers pay workers either wages or goods during suspension of work. Such employers can be sentenced to two years.

Mrs. Richardson Passes In Md.

Funeral service for Mrs. Maude Richardson, of Middle River, Maryland, and formerly a resident of Scottville, was held at the Mount Carmel cemetery at 2:00 P. M., on December 5.

Mrs. Richardson died of a heart attack on December 2 in Maryland. She was 64 years of age, having been born at Scottville on October 29, 1883. She is the widow of the late John Richardson.

She is survived by Ruby Richardson Hill, California; Edward Richardson, Laurel Springs; Dias Greer, Maryland; and Paul Richardson, North Wilkesboro.

AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY REACHES 100,000 OUTPUT

Detroit — The car industry last week added another 100,000-plus units to its 1947 output and gave increasing indications that it will maintain the current production level through the remainder of the year.

The week's production in the United States was placed at 83,418 cars and 23,219 trucks by the trade paper, "Automotive News," and at 84,549 cars and 20,205 commercial units by Ward's Automotive Reports. In both instances the production volume reflected the return to full five days by most companies during the Thanksgiving Day week.

Trade reaction to the consistently high level output of the last few weeks is that the car makers apparently have been able to materially better their sheet metal position. They are currently producing at a rate considerably in excess of prewar normal years.

The December production scheduled call for approximately 316,000 passenger cars and 91,000 trucks, which if realized will top all output marks since July 1941.

In 1946, seven Orange county farmers seeded 25 acres of ladino clover. As a result of these demonstrations and other publicity, there has been more than 1,000 acres of this popular clover seeded in the county this fall.



COURT MARTIAL GENERAL MEYERS... Air Secretary W. Stuart Symington, left, as he told news conference of plans to court martial Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, for "most shocking scandals ever exposed in the history of any branch of our government." U. S. air force chief of staff, Gen. Carl Spaatz, shown at right.

President Truman Urges Conservation Of Resources

Everglades, City, Fla.—President Truman helped dedicate a 454,000-acre tract of the Florida Everglades as the Everglades National Park last week with a challenge to the American people to resist "raids" on their natural resources by interests who would exploit them for "private gain."

This tiny but famed fishing town deep in the Everglades furnished the backdrop for the President's speech on conservation and for colorful activities which include Federal and state officials, Seminole Indians, tourists from many states, as well as Floridians.

Mr. Truman declared that proper use of land and water resources was as much a public responsibility as were "world order, world peace and world recovery."

He mentioned no names when he called for constant vigilance "to prevent raids by those who would selfishly exploit our common heritage for their private gain."

Such raids on our natural resources," he declared, "are not examples of enterprise and initiative. They are attempts to take from all the people for the benefit of the few."

Before the speechmaking began, a group of 110 Seminole Indians sent a delegation of 20 to the President to present him with a multi-hued tribal shirt, a handbag for Mrs. Truman, and a Seminole flag.

William McKinley Osceola, 65, and Corey Osceola, descendants of the great Seminole war chief, Osceola, presented the shirt and flag, but made it clear beforehand that honorary tribal brotherhood was not being extended. The Seminoles, proud and aloof, lost a war to the United States more than a century ago and accept no white men as honorary tribesmen.



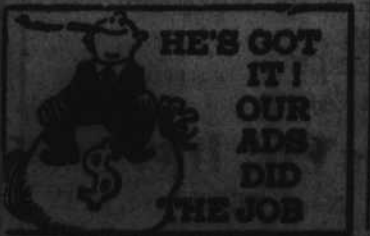
Legend has it that when Christ was born and Satan died, the bells in the churches were rung. At exactly midnight the tolling changed to a joyful peal, announcing the birth of the Christ.

In the dark chambers high above the turmoil and strife of human life, dwell the Apostles of Peace, whose salutations were never so welcome as at the time of the great winter feasts of Christmas, so William Auld tells in his traditions.

Quaint Swiss Custom Of Meeting Lover

Forecasting is ritualized in Switzerland. Grandma goes to the cellar, selects the most perfect onion, halves it, and peels 12 layers, one for each month. The next day these layers show what the weather will be during the coming year.

The daughter of the house goes about town at midnight, to drink from nine different fountains. Then she goes to church. She expects to meet her unknown lover on the church steps.



Conservation Farming News

H. E. Singletary and T. R. Greene

Raymond Andrews, of the Little Pine community, seeded five acres of ladino clover on small grain last spring. He says that he has had more grazing from this field of clover than any other field of first year clover and grass he has ever seeded. Raymond is liming and phosphating another field and plans to seed more ladino and orchard grass next spring.

Millard Pruitt was assisted last week by the Soil Conservation Service in staking a fifteen acre field for strip farming. Millard has combined three fields into one; thereby cutting down on his fencing and at the same time having all of his cropping land in one field.

Roy Poole, of near Edmonds, has been cleaning the bushes from his bottom land where he plans to do some tile drainage. He plans to seed and treat this field for pasture. Roy also has in mind strip farming his crop fields.

Oscar Gambill was assisted by the Soil Conservation Service in re-locating an old covered ditch. He plans to open this old clogged ditch and change to a tile system.

Homer Carrico, of the Edmonds community, was assisted recently by the Soil Conservation Service in staking his crop field for strip farming. Homer has already started spreading phosphate on some of his pasture fields.

Sparta Rt. 1 News

Mr. Russel Edwards, of Richmond, Va., and formerly of Sparta, underwent an operation for appendicitis, Saturday, at the Elkin hospital. Those visiting him during the week end included: Mrs. Gladis Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wagoner, of Sparta;

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Edwards, of Cremona, Va.; Miss Eula Ray Sparks, Chauncey Edwards, Burnett Wilson, also Miss Virginia Brooks and Mrs. Elmer Sparks. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wagoner had as their recent guests: Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Edwards and family; Miss Bonnie Sue and Eula Ray Sparks; Ima Wray, Hoby and Bernard Wagoner; Elouise Edwards, Mrs. George Atwood and Miss Carrie Halmington.

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