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8 KENTUCKY COAL MINERS RESCUED 21 MORE SOUGHT

Two Others Found Dead; Crowd of 200 Wait For Developments

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 McQue, of Pineville, was reported in a serious condition in a local hospital. All were injured in the last Wednesday.

Burned Body Found

Rescue crews found the severely burned body of a miner today, near the spot where they expected to locate the remaining miners.

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

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

Medical Supplies Asked

Full medical supplies were taken into the mine after midnight in quick use when any of the men were found. Doctors remained with rescue workers and an emergency telephone line from the main mine entrance was extended 200 feet to facilitate communication from any point in the tunnel.

Rescue crews sent out for 12 pairs of gloves but there was no indication why they were wanted.

The nine men were found in a corridor just off the main tunnel and had escaped the heavy concussion of the explosion.

A wave of excitement spread through the crowd outside the mine entrance when first reports were sent from the tunnel that some of the men had been found alive. Emergency calls were sent out for all available doctors and ambulances.

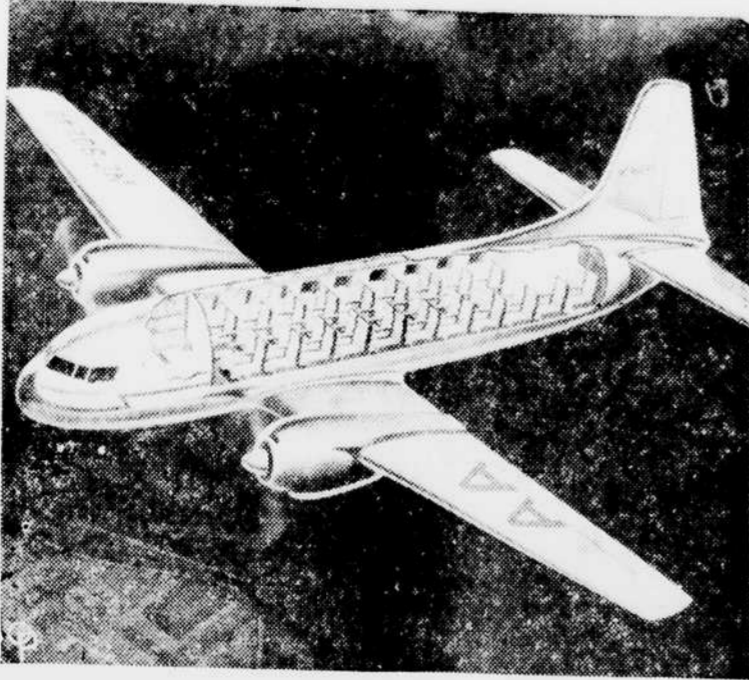
Moscow Meet Aftermath: Agreements Carried Out

Moscow, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Steps were already under way today to implement agreements reached at the conference of big three foreign ministers which closed Thursday.

Informal quarters reported the following developments within 48 hours after the parley ended:

- 1—Departure of representatives of the United States, Russia, and Britain for Bucharest, to carry out the agreements pertaining to Rumania.
- 2—Transmission to advice Bulgaria by the Russian government on proposed cabinet changes.

JET PROPULSION AIDS AIRLINER



POWERED BY EXHAUST JET PROPULSION as well as twin Model 240 engines, equipped with reversible-pitch propellers that enable it to back up or to reduce landing speed, the American Airlines System's new "Flagship" (above) will be put into use for 40-passenger flights of 1,000 miles and under. One hundred of the craft have been ordered from the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation. (International)

Terrorists Are Sought In Palestine

Elasts, Shootings Cause Ten Deaths; Roundup Underway

Jerusalem, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Terrorists responsible for explosions and shootings which resulted in ten deaths in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv Thursday night were sought by police today among nearly 2,000 persons arrested in the biggest roundup in Palestine history.

The suspects, lodged in detention barracks, were picked up yesterday. Every male under 60 years of age, including the entire guest list of the Eden Hotel was arrested at the Bezaled section.

British soldiers in full battle dress patrolled streets in the all Jewish city of Tel Aviv.

The roundup was lifted at Tel Aviv reports from the neighboring town of Ramat Gan told of a large scale search by British troops for persons suspected of participating in the disorders.

In Jerusalem the curfew was to remain in effect tonight.

Harbor Police Break Up Fight On U. S. Vessel

Portsmouth, England, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A strong detachment of harbor police broke up a knife fight between Chinese and white members of the crew of the 7,234-ton American ship Anna Dickinson, last night.

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

The ship, registered under the United States War Shipping, had anchored in the harbor between the Isle of Wight and the English mainland after taking a heavy battering from gales. Police said several arrests were made and the incident was reported to U. S. naval authorities.

Jap Women Politicians Form Party

Tokyo, Dec. 29.—(AP)—These were the newest signs of the times in the changes-over in Japan: Women, for centuries in the background, came out today with a political party of their own.

The government completed the draft of a measure aimed at lifting 100,000,000,000 yen (\$5,000,000,000) from those who profited by the war. Men who fought that losing war for Japan were among more than 300 persons arrested in the past 24 hours for petty crimes in Tokyo. They complained they robbed because they were hungry.

The welfare ministry resided instructions that nationality, religion and social status lines are to be left unaffected, employment, wages or working conditions.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA
Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday except some light rain northeast portion early tonight; little change in temperature.

TRUMAN SECLUDES HIMSELF ON YACHT TO WRITE SPEECH

Byrnes Will Join Him For Report on Conference; Measures Signed

Washington, Dec. 29.—(AP)—President Harry Truman secluded himself and a small staff of aides aboard the yacht Wilhamsburg today to write a straight to the people speech he will broadcast next Thursday.

Secretary of State James 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.

Further Extension

He accompanied his approval of a bill extending the second war powers act six months with the assertion that there must be a further extension. It is from this act that the Chief Executive derives his rationing and priorities powers.

"We know that our economy will be plagued with major war-borne shortages six months from now and that the Government must have the means of dealing with these shortages," he said. "There must, therefore, be further legislation to cover the period after June 30, 1946."

Among other measures the President signed after he arrived by plane yesterday after his Christmas visit home to Missouri were these:

- 1—Liberalizing loan and educational benefits of the GI Bill of Rights.

Money Appropriated

- 2—Appropriating \$2,500,000,000 in deficiency funds for various government agencies, including \$750,000,000 for UNRRA, \$191,000,000 for veterans housing \$125,000,000 for navigation and flood control projects, and \$1,000,000,000 for the national service life insurance fund.

- 3—Relaxing immigration laws to admit foreign-born husbands, wives or children of members of the armed forces.

- 4—Authorizing an investigation of means of increasing the capacity and security of the Panama Canal.

Industrial Production Said Good

Washington, Dec. 29.—(AP)—John D. Small, chairman of the Civilian Production Administration, while reporting significant reconversion progress, said today there can't be "full speed ahead until current industrial disputes are ironed out."

The CPA chief asserted that when these "widespread" labor-management differences have been settled, "full speed ahead" can be expected.

Small made these statements in reporting that even though the industrial output had turned up for the first time since V-E Day, heavy demands of both consumers and producers are not being met in all cases.

In addition to work stoppages, continuing scarcity of some materials is holding up full flow of many consumer products to market. Small said in a monthly production review.

Justice Stacy of State High Court In Bed With Flu

Raleigh, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Chief Justice Walter Stacy of the North Carolina Supreme Court has been confined to his hotel suite here for several days with an attack of flu.

Justice Stacy is chairman of a fact finding panel appointed by President Truman to study the General Motors auto strike. He returned here early this week from Chicago and has been ill since that time, aides said.

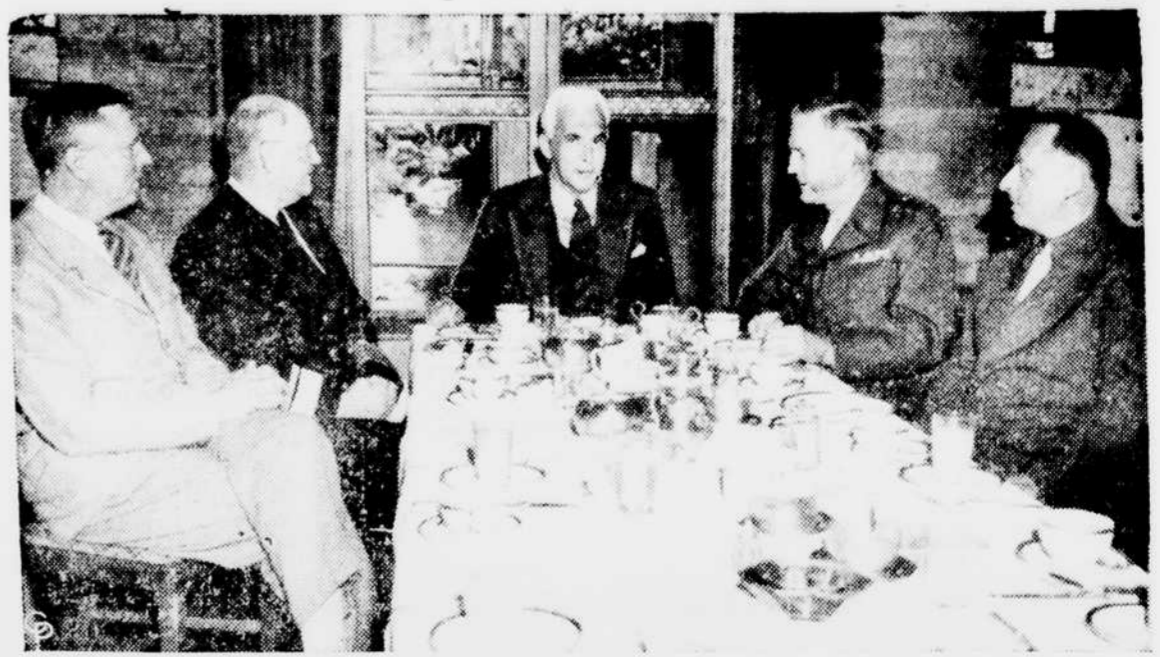
Blaze Destroys Montreat Hotel

Montreat, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Alba hotel, one of the original buildings of this Southern Presbyterian assembly ground, was destroyed by fire yesterday, with a loss estimated by Dr. R. C. Anderson, head of the grounds, at \$75,000.

The building was being used as a dormitory for Montreat Junior college for girls, but was unoccupied as all the students were away for the holidays.

In summer the hotel was used to house visitors and delegates to the many church conferences held here. Anderson said it would be replaced as soon as possible. In the meantime, he added, students of the college will be quartered elsewhere.

PHILIPPINES HIGH COMMISSIONER VISITS JAPAN



RECENTLY-APPOINTED HIGH COMMISSIONER of the Philippines, Paul V. McNutt is shown as he dined with members of his staff at the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo, just after his arrival in Japan on a visit to Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Pictured at the table are (l. to r.): Fritz Worcester, special assistant to McNutt; Rear Adm. Gilbert Strout, senior naval liaison officer; Paul V. McNutt; Maj. Gen. William C. Ryan, McNutt's chief of staff; and Francis L. Gelcano, advisor to the Philippines High Commissioner. (International)

NLRB, Strike-Ballot-Taking Body, Now Is Without Funds

'Secret' Of Atom Bomb May Be Told

Truman Reported Backing Step By Step Disclosure

Washington, Dec. 29.—(AP)—President Truman was reported today to be backing an even more cautious step by step disclosure of atomic energy secrets than first impressions of the Moscow big three conference had indicated.

This interpretation of plans to form a special commission to study atomic energy was reported today by persons who talked with the President after his return from Missouri.

They said that Mr. Truman's view that the United States should always be sure there will be no misuse of a small secret before divulging a more important one.

They said conversations both at the White House and at the State Department indicated it will be America's policy to yield no proposed inspection methods before telling any nation except Britain and Canada all the know how of the atomic bomb.

Byrnes Back From Russia

Washington, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Secretary of State James Byrnes arrived from Moscow shortly after noon today at Washington airport.

The four-motored transport plane bringing Byrnes and his party home from the 11-day conference of big three foreign ministers in the Russian capital landed safely after battling winds and rains which prevented it from making a stop at Portland, Me. The plane landed at 12:09 p. m.

Byrnes took off from the snow covered airport at Moscow on Thursday morning. Because of adverse weather, his plane did not fly directly across central Europe but instead made the return trip by way of the Naples-Casablanca-Azores-Newfoundland route.

Bad weather in the Newfoundland area kept his plane from arriving at Washington at 9 a. m. as originally scheduled.

A large crowd, including Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson and Lord Halifax, British ambassador to Washington, applauded the secretary as stepped from the plane, wearing the same top coat and hat in which he arrived at Moscow in a snow storm December 15.

New Bill Provides No Cash for Agency; NY Construction Workers Ask for Vote

(By The Associated Press)

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

Leaf Board Is Selected By Governor

Council to Serve For Consultation; Royster Is Named

Raleigh, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A 23-member North Carolina tobacco advisory council, including representatives of all groups interested in the production and marketing of tobacco, was appointed today by Governor Gregg Cherry.

The council will be a part of the State Department of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott, agriculture commissioner, was named ex-officio chairman.

It was appointed at the suggestion of a temporary committee headed by former Governor Brantton. Meeting here recently, the temporary committee said that the constant exchange of advice and ideas was not only desirable but essential in view of the fact that production of tobacco occupies such an important place in the state.

As a part of the agriculture department, the council will serve as a well as for consultation and evaluation of problems relating to the production of the world's finest tobacco through intensified research relating to soils, fertilizer, cultural practices, plant diseases, seed selection and methods of harvesting, curing, handling, sorting and grading.

Among members of the council is Fred Royster of Henderson, president of the Middle Belt Warehouseman Association.

Futures Unable to Gain Much Ground

New York, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 29 cents a bale lower to ten cents higher. Cotton futures closed 15 cents a bale higher to 40 cents lower.

	Open	Close
March	24.70	24.63
May	24.65	24.59
July	24.45	24.43
October	23.74	23.72
December	23.65	23.66
March (1946)	23.51	23.50
Shipping spot	25.23	

Wedemeyer Seeking More GI's For Duty In China

Shanghai, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, American military commander in China, said today that "plans are under consideration to move additional Chinese armies to Manchuria," and more American army troops would be needed to accompany them, supervise demobilization, handle supply problems and give other aid.

This, he told a news conference, is in line with America's newly broadened policy to aid the National Government in Chungking.

And, he added, it is one reason why United States army personnel in China should be built up to 12,000 or 15,000 men, even though it would mean bringing an additional 3,000 from America.

He used the phrase "army personnel," not "military" an estimated 53,000 United States marines now controlling several vital sectors in north China.

CHRISTMAS ICE STORM LEAVES A TRAIL OF DAMAGE



This cold scene of broken trees was left on the court house square in Shelby, N. C., by the Christmas ice storm. Holt McPherson, managing editor of the Shelby Daily Star, estimated the storm's damage in Cleveland county at \$1,000,000. (AP Photo)