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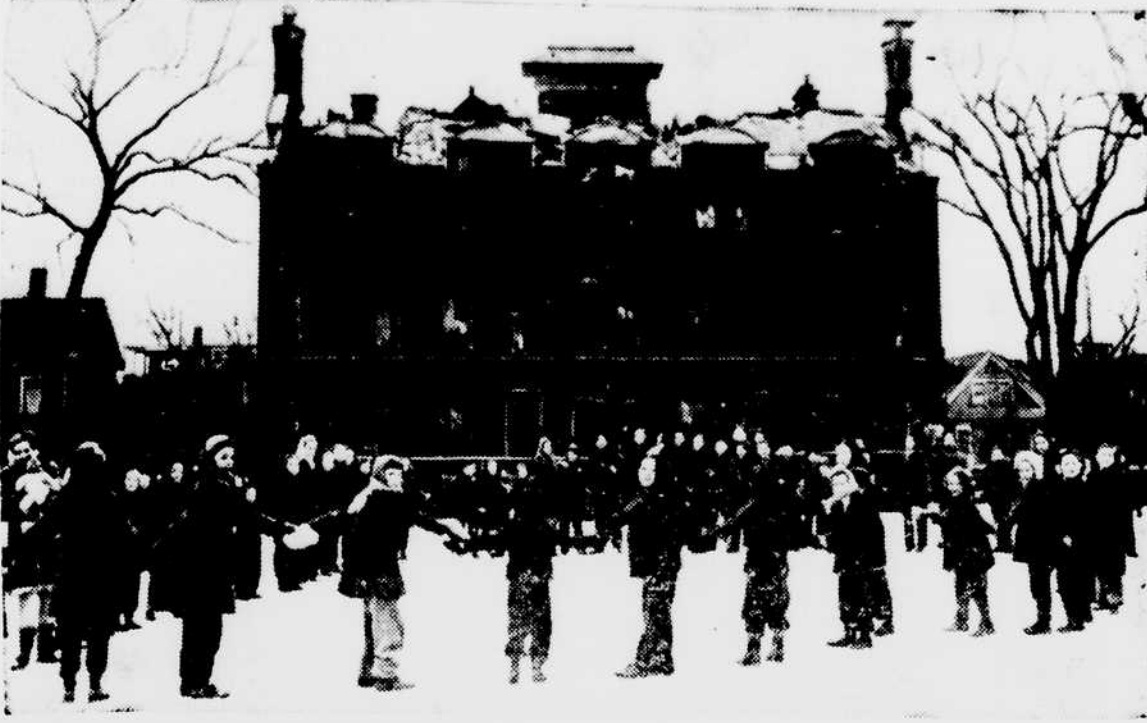
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PUPILS FROLIC WHEN THEIR SCHOOL 'BURNS DOWN'



IF IT WEREN'T FOR THE MASSACHUSETTS SNOW, this would be a scene of dancing on the green, for that's the spirit of it—a joyous ring-around-the-rosy of Dorchester pupils because their school (background) was damaged by fire and classes had to end for a while. New York City youngsters were looking forward to similar good fortune from Mayor O'Dwyer's proclamation of an emergency because of the tugboatmen's strike. Coal supplies in New York were dwindling, and all public schools were to be closed. (International)

Senators Divided Over Pauley Vote; Outlook Is Dim

Nose Count Shows 9 To 9 Tie Vote; Allen O. K. Assured

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Chances dwindled today that Edwin Pauley's nomination as undersecretary of navy will be favorably recommended to the Senate.

The naval committee which has been considering the nomination was reported evenly divided on the question and a tie vote means Pauley's name would go to the floor without the important advantage of the committee's approval.

The outlook was definitely better for the administration in the case of George Allen, named for a two year term on the Reconstruction Finance Corporation board. Republican opposition to his nomination appeared to be crumbling and his prompt confirmation was generally believed assured.

President Truman's reaffirmation of his confidence in Pauley on Thursday evidently failed to move some members of the Senate Naval Committee.

Administration aides said a check indicated Pauley's Democratic support there was insufficient. They said a nose count of committee members indicated at least two Democrats would join with seven Republicans to cause a 9 to 9 tie if the issue were put to a vote today.

Steel Pay Boost Was Okhed, Then Rejected By Firm

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—CIO President Murray told senators today that U. S. Steel's President Benjamin Fairless tentatively accepted a 19.5 cent hourly wage increase for steel workers on January 11 only to "change his mind" a few days later.

Testifying before the Senate Labor Committee in opposition to President Truman's labor fact finding proposal, he said he believed it might be necessary to increase the price of steel some to meet the costs of the union's wage boost demand.

ALBRIGHT DECLINES MacARTHUR'S OFFER

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Major Albright, just back on his job as State Director of the United States Employment Service for North Carolina, has been offered a position on the Special Labor Mission to Tokyo, requested by General MacArthur to make a study of labor conditions in the Japanese Empire.

The offer came through the Civil Affairs Division of the War Department, under the direction of which Major Albright handled labor matters in the Mediterranean area for more than two years, as an officer of the Allied Military Government.

Major Albright declined the offer, since he has so recently resumed his position with the Employment Service—and, then, too, the leaving time conflicted with an important engagement he had in Washington, February 9, Saturday—his wedding—and three weeks of sunning with his bride, the former Miss Frances Perry Stanley, of Washington, on the beaches in Florida.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Light to moderate rain tonight, becoming colder tonight. Sunday generally fair and continued rather cold.

Truman Reported 'Quite Hopeful' In Steel Strike

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—President Truman was reported "quite hopeful" today that the end of the steel strike was at hand.

The President's optimistic attitude toward solution of the nation's biggest strike, now in its 20th day, was described by a White House official after Mr. Truman had cancelled his Florida vacation trip because of the "immediately critical situation."

The official said "good progress is being made" and that the U. S. Steel Corporation, and the CIO steel workers are "not very far apart."

CIO President Philip Murray likewise said that the two sides were in substantial agreement, and that he was eager to obtain a one year contract signed.

UNO Adjournment Delayed By Spot Over Final Home

General Assembly Had Hoped To End First Meet Today

London, Feb. 9.—(AP)—A French proposal to postpone selection of a permanent site for the United Nations until next September was defeated by a tie vote of 19 to 19 in the permanent headquarters committee today. The United States abstained from voting.

London, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Adjournment of the United Nations General Assembly, informally scheduled to this week-end, was delayed today by a number of unsettled problems.

The selection of a home for the U. N. Leaders had indicated over a week ago that they expected to pack up and go home by today, but when the time arrived they found they still had on the agenda about half of the issues which were before them when they started out four weeks ago.

UNO officials, with constant urging of the U. S. delegation chief Edward Stettinius, are shouting now at adjournment by Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

The site controversy has reached a point where some delegates reported privately that a movement was underway not to let UNO headquarters be established in the United States at all but to keep it in London for a few years.

CHURCHILL, TRUMAN TO CONFER SUNDAY

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Former Prime Minister Winston Churchill will call on President Truman at the White House at 3:30 p. m. Sunday.

The British leader and his wife have been vacationing at Miami Beach, Fla., for the last several weeks.

Charles Ross, press secretary, said that since Mr. Truman would be unable to see Churchill in Florida now that the President's southern vacation trip had been cancelled, Churchill, is coming here. Ross said he was not informed on how long Churchill will be in Washington. He assumed he would remain overnight.

New Navy Nomination

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—President Truman today sent to the Senate the nomination of W. John Kenoy of California to be assistant secretary of the navy.

Truman's Housing Proposals Receive Hearty Backing

Democrats And GOP Join To Endorse Building Program

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—President Harry Truman's recommendations for the greatest house building program in history won immediate and enthusiastic bi-partisan support on Capitol Hill today.

Democrats and Republicans applauded the objectives of the emergency campaign which has set its sights on the construction of 2,700,000 new homes in the next two years.

Wilson S. Wyatt, housing expediter and generalissimo of the projected campaign, said it could "move into high gear" by April 1 if Congress acts promptly and votes the necessary legislation.

Only one phase of the over all program failed to click with Congressmen. That was the proposal that \$10,000,000 worth of existing dwellings be placed under price control. Major opposition to this developed.

Objections to two phases of the plan were voiced by industry groups. The National Association of Real Estate Boards protested the price control features and the Producers Council, Inc., representing building material manufacturers, objected to proposals for subsidies to spur output of materials.

Instead of subsidies, the council suggested a ten per cent increase in prices of materials arguing that this would add only about a \$140 to the cost of a \$6,000 home. This additional cost would be repaid over a period of 25 to 30 years so that there would be no hardships on the purchaser, the council said.

The "bold" housing program prepared by Wyatt on instructions from Mr. Truman, contemplates about \$10,000,000,000 in housing construction during the next two years. The houses would be built mainly by private contractors, with most of the dwellings selling for no more than \$6,000 or renting for not more than \$30 a month.

N. Y. C. Given Drastic Oil Ration Plan

Tug Boat Workers Reject Proposals To End Walkout

New York, Feb. 9.—(AP)—The most drastic system of fuel oil rationing in the history of the New York City was ordered today by Mayor William O'Dwyer after the tug boat workers rejected for a second time proposals to end their harbor strike.

The mayor's action, extending a previously proclaimed state of emergency, was taken "in the interest of the health and safety" of the city's million "to avoid an epidemic of illness and to replenish the fuel supplies of hospitals and other institutions."

Complete Embargo. "There is a complete embargo now in effect," said Commissioner of Purchase Albert Pleydell, acting fuel administrator. "Fuel rationing starts at noon. The tow boat industry at all, except for emergencies. To say that the severity of the system is unprecedented for the city is putting it mildly."

He also told newsmen that the same rigid controls may be applied to coal Monday if present conditions did not improve.

The fuel "freeze" was ordered by O'Dwyer who also called upon the "Office of Defense Transportation" which had seized the tow boat industry—to "man immediately, regardless of convenience every tug boat in New York and every fuel barge and to reestablish the flow of fuel as quickly as it is humanly possible."

Most of the city's fuel oil as well as coal, comes from New Jersey terminals by tug boats.

The mayor barred all deliveries to places of amusement and decreed that fuel oil would be obtainable only on application to police headquarters for institutions or the nearest police stations for residential users.

To Consider Closing. He also advised owners of business establishments to "consider closing immediately" if their current fuel supplies would not last more than a week.

The tug boat workers, members of the United Marine Division of the AFL's International Longshoremen's association voted 831 to 467 to reject an agreement worked out in conferences among union officials, federal conciliators and the New York Tug Boat Exchange—the employer group.

U. S. Will Present Greece's Case At War Crimes Trial

Nuernberg, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Chief United States Prosecutor Robert Jackson said today the U. S. will espouse the cause of Greece before the international military tribunal if no one else does.

Jackson's statement made after Soviet Prosecutor I. I. Gen. Roman Rudenko almost ignored grievances of the Greeks in an otherwise exhaustive presentation against Nazi aggression and atrocities in eastern and southeastern Europe.

The Russians had agreed to present the case for all occupied countries east of a north-south line through Berlin, and it was anticipated the Greek cause would be thoroughly elaborated since the Greeks held off the axis for six months and suffered unusual cruelties.

Egyptian Students Protest British Policy In Country

80 Are Hurt In Outbreak

Cairo, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Egyptian students battled Cairo police today during a demonstration against British attitude toward revision of the British-Egyptian treaty. At least 50 students and 30 policemen were injured and approximately 150 students arrested before quiet was restored.

Shouting "down with Britain" and "to the revolt," the students surged through the streets of Cairo. Police lines were broken and a bus was set alight.

The demonstrations started after a mass meeting protesting against the recent British reply to Egypt's request for revision of the 1936 British-Egyptian treaty.

Bystanders Join In. The fighting flared up when about 2,000 students caught between police lines near a Nile River bridge started hurling stones. Bystanders joined in shortly on the side of the students. Police Chief Lewis Russell Pasha who was on the scene during the melee, immediately summoned mounted police.

An estimated 5,000 students attended the meeting at Faud University, while Egyptian police and British military police patrolled the streets and public squares. The city was declared out of bounds for British and American troops.

Banners were hoisted proclaiming "down with imperialism," "the question of the country is international" and "get out of the Nile Valley."

Tobacco Council To Meet Friday

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—The first official meeting of the North Carolina Tobacco Advisory Council will be held in Raleigh, Friday night, February 15, it is announced by Agriculture Commissioner W. Kerr Scott, council chairman.

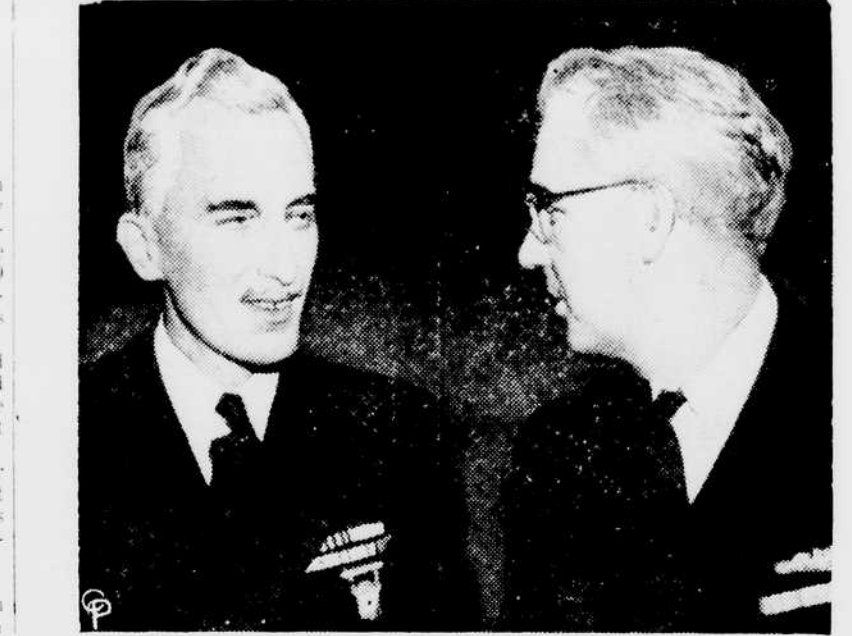
The council, which was appointed last December by Governor Cherry, includes representatives of all groups in the State interested in the production and marketing of tobacco. As a part of the State Department of Agriculture, the council will serve as a medium for consultation on problems relating to the production of the world's finest tobacco through intensified research relative to soils, fertilizer, cultural practices, plant diseases, entomology, seed selection, and methods of harvesting, curing, handling, sorting, and grading.

Explosion Shakes New Jersey Area

Penns Grove, N. J., Feb. 9.—(AP) An explosion in a smokeless powder building at the nearby Carney's Point plant of E. I. duPont de Nemours and Co. shattered residents as far away as Philadelphia and shattered windows for a ten mile radius today.

A company spokesman said there was no injuries at the plant and the building was empty at the time of the blast.

DISAGREE ON 'WINDS' MESSAGE



PICTURED TOGETHER at the Pearl Harbor investigation in Washington, Capt. A. D. Kramer (left) and Capt. L. F. Safford of the U. S. Navy were far apart in their testimony about a Japanese "wind code" message which, according to Safford, was intercepted before the Hawaii attack and plainly meant war on the U. S. The interested message, Kramer testified, meant only strained relations with England. (International)

Pearl Harbor Probers Consider Night Meets

Investigators Seek To End Inquiry By Feb. 15 Deadline Set By Congress

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Pearl Harbor investigators considered today whether to hold night sessions in an attempt to wind up their work.

The group of five senators and five representatives, who have been digging into the Hawaii disaster since last November 15, already have had one extension from the original January 3 closing date.

Vice Chairman Cooper (D-Tenn.) told reporters after a closed meeting yesterday that committee members wanted to finish next Friday if possible and that night hearings had been suggested. Hearings have been from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily, with an hour off for lunch.

The current witness, Navy Capt. A. D. Kramer, injected one novelty into the proceedings yesterday when he testified briefly in Japanese. A language scholar and communications officer, he was attempting to give the committee a literal translation of a message from the Japanese broken down by United States cipher experts.

With the committee recessed last night, Sen. Keene (R-Wisc.) was questioning Kramer about a memorandum he said he had prepared in May, 1944 setting down his recollections of what happened in the navy communications section in the days just before Pearl Harbor.

Way Now Cleared For Dam Project

Resolution Sent To White House

Washington, Feb. 9.—The House today passed a resolution declaring the war emergency ended, insofar as the postwar waterways program is concerned.

This clears the way for the start of the \$30,000,000 Bugs Island multi-purpose reservoir on the Roanoke river.

The senate had passed the resolution earlier and it remains only for President Truman to sign it before millions of dollars become available for postwar waterway programs throughout the country with an estimated total cost of \$1,500,000,000.

Under previous legislation the project could not be started until six months after world war II was declared officially ended. Although no such proclamation, either by the President or Congress, is in prospect, Congress took action, as it did in the postwar highway building program last year, to enable the waterways projects to proceed at once.

Congress appropriated \$1,000,000 in the Antiquities Bill passed before the Christmas recess for preliminary work on the Bugs Island project. The resolution provides the waterway projects were authorized by Sen. Robert D. Taft (R-Ohio) of South Carolina last year, after he and Sen. Olin Chubb (R-Mich.) introduced the Senate bill, which was passed in the waterways program.

Senators introducing legislation that the Bugs Island reservoir will cost \$1,750,000 a year from hydroelectric sales and will have about equal benefits worth \$207,000 a year. The project is designed to be the Roanoke river and its tributaries, the Smith and Doe, which ultimately will cost \$124,000,000.

Melon-seed Marvel



SAVED for surgical treatment that may cure her, Mrs. Helen Kelly, 30, owes her life to watermelon seeds. So says her physician, who, believing they would save her from acute nephritis, broadcast an urgent appeal for some virtually unobtainable watermelons—and got them. Pictured in a Philadelphia hospital, Mrs. Kelly was reported greatly improved. (International)

Stalin Declares Capitalists To Blame For Wars

London, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Premier Stalin told a throng of constituents tonight that "wars could be avoided if there was a possibility of a fair distribution of raw materials and export markets," the Moscow radio said.

"Marxists have asserted more than once that in our time capitalism does not develop evenly but through crises and catastrophes."

"A capitalist country which is less fortunate tries to improve its position by force of arms. This brings about the splitting of the capitalist world into two hostile camps—and war."

The Soviet leader addressed a meeting in a Moscow ward on the eve of Russian general elections, in which he is a candidate for re-election to the Supreme Soviet. It was his first radio address to the Union since last September 2. In the interim Stalin took a long vacation.

Stalin said "the catastrophe of war could have been avoided if a redistribution of markets could be achieved peacefully," and added "but at present this is impossible under the conditions of the world development of capitalism."