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A FELLA CRIES OVER BEST FRIEND

BAWLING HIS BIG HEART OUT, little Donnie Steigerwald, a year and a half old, sits beside his best pal, "Sugar", and wonders what's to become of his canine playmate. The manager of a Pittsburgh housing project, where the youngster lives has just served notice on the tenants that they must give up their pets or vacate. Although she added that she would not actually evict any family but just report them for possible legal action if they defied the order, Donnie doesn't understand the fine points of the issue. He's still unhappy about the whole thing. *(International)*

Dixie Solons Angered By Cotton Order

Bowles' Resignation Is Being Demanded; Anderson Also Hit

Washington, April 4.—(AP)—Southern senators flung a torrent of hot criticism at Chester Bowles today for ordering Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson to approve a cotton regulation aimed at blocking clothing price increases.

They called for the stabilization director's resignation, termed his action a "damned outrage," said he was "making farmers the goat" and contended he had jeopardized OPA's life.

The agency is bidding for a full year's extension of its price control powers, due to end June 30.

Maybank Flests Anderson.

Anderson, too, was the target of attack. Said Senator Maybank (D) of South Carolina:

"I am indeed sorry to see that the Agriculture Department under Mr. Anderson has completely surrendered to the OPA."

This was a reference to the cabinet officer's approval of an OPA order requiring larger down payments on cotton bought for future delivery. It goes into effect April 8. Bowles has contended the order is necessary to check speculative trading in cotton, which he says has forced up cotton cloth prices.

Signs Margin Order.

Anderson signed the cotton margin order yesterday after Bowles directed him to do so. He had refused to put his name to it voluntarily, and the attorney general's office ruled the margins would not be valid without the secretary's signature.

Maybank told a reporter "the best thing that could happen to the United States to stop inflation would be for Bowles to resign." Other senators expressed similar sentiments.

To criticism that Bowles has no authority to order Anderson to sign, a spokesman for the stabilization chief replied he had acted under an executive order issued in 1942. That order provides that the economic stabilizer "shall formulate and develop a comprehensive economic policy," and that he "shall have the power to issue directives" on such policy to Federal departments and agencies concerned with price and wage stabilization.

Council Shelves Iranian Case

Reason to Cackle

HERE IS ONE for the farmyard record book. The white leghorn held by Mrs. William Burnham of Albany, N. Y., laid an egg five inches long, nine inches in circumference and fourteen ounces in weight. The hen's owner is shown holding the record size egg beside its proud producer. *(International)*

Police, F.B.I. Hunt Slayer

Ex-Marine Pits Cunning Against Many Man Hunters

Washington, April 4.—(AP)—Earl McFarland, condemned rape-slayer today pitted the cunning he learned on Guadalcanal against the combined efforts of police and FBI manhunters.

The 24-year-old ex-marine has been at large since dawn yesterday when he and Joseph Medley staged a spectacular death-house break after overcoming two guards.

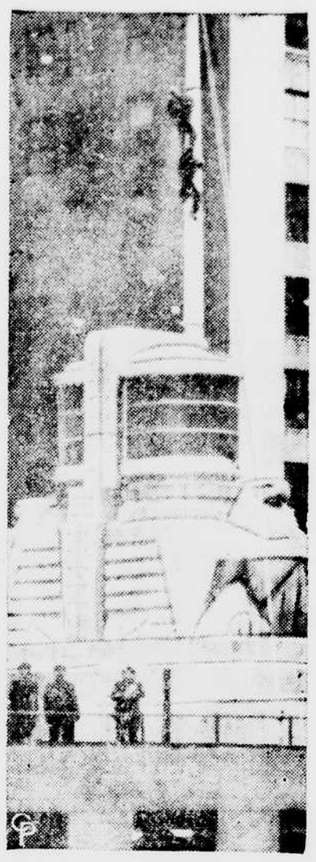
The recapture of the 41-year-old Medley after a seven hour manhunt evidently provided police with no clues on McFarland's plans for flight. Blood-hounds followed one trial to a railroad station but police also were keeping a close watch on northbound auto traffic through Maryland.

Investigation Started.

The circumstances of the daring break, the latest in a series at the District of Columbia prison, immediately set two investigations in motion, one by the Justice Department and another by a special congressional committee. Rep. Hebert (D) of Louisiana of this group assailed "conditions in a jail where murderers can walk in and out with apparent abandon."

A revised story of the escape came out when jail officials disclosed that the two death row guards had released McFarland and Medley from their cells for a game of cards before the slayers' overpowered them. The guards were suspended, and later taken into custody by the FBI on charges of permitting prisoners to escape through negligence.

Daring Sky Rescue



INCH BY INCH, Arthur Costello lowers his boss, Daniel Rivenburgh, to the base of a long flagpole after the latter had been knocked unconscious when one of two safety ropes broke while he was working atop a building in New York City. Rivenburgh, dangling helplessly above the pavements, was buffeted by high winds as thousands watched from the streets. *(International)*

Spat Deferred Until May 6; Move Rapped

New York, April 4.—(AP)—On a motion by United States Secretary of State James Byrnes the United Nations Security Council today shelved the Iranian case until May 6—but the decision came only after Australia's representative had blasted Soviet Ambassador Andrei Gromyko's walkout and accused the council of failing to do its duty.

Nine of the council's 11 member nations voted for the Byrnes' resolution which is based on Russia's flat promise to the council that her troops will all be withdrawn from Iran by early May.

Gromyko's continued absence counted for one vote and the absention of Australia's W. D. Hodgson from casting his ballot for another.

Reports By May.

Byrnes declared Russia's assurances should be accepted as satisfactory and that by deferring the case now, the council should ask reports by May 6—by which time the Russians should be out of Iran.

Council President Quo Tai-chi of China said he hoped Iran and Russia "would settle all their problems and make further discussion unnecessary."

But it was Hodgson, fiery gray diplomat, in the best Australian tradition of a minority protestor, who added the final fireworks to the crisis-laden case.

Works "Prejudiced."

He said Gromyko's walkout a week ago "had prejudiced the work, efficiency and authority of the council," that the decision to defer the case should not have been made until full investigation, that Iran's complaints were being handled as a political incident rather than a whole vital situation.

In his broad accent of the man from "down under," he emphatically told his dignified colleagues "this case was a challenge to the council and in our poinion the council did not meet it."

He leaned hunched over the council table as he spoke in sharp terse sentences and when the vote was taken he kept his hands firmly on the table. Throughout the proceedings, Iranian Ambassador Hussein Ala was at the council table and he expressed Iran's acceptance of the Byrnes-sponsored resolution.

The whole crisis-laden issue, during which Gromyko's boycott plunged the council into the worst emergency of its brief history, was due for settlement at a session today.

It was possible that United States Secretary of State James Byrnes, who has played a leading role in the whole affair, would propose disposal of the case.

Members of the council, with Gromyko absent, met privately and informally late yesterday, reviewed the case, and obtained a general understanding on today's procedure, though various informants said that no hard and fast agreement was reached at that time.

Philippines Are Hit By Hurricane Winds

Typhoon Crossing Northern Luzon; Bay Waves High

Manila, April 4.—(AP)—A navy aerologist today reported a typhoon is crossing northern Luzon and said winds of "full hurricane force" prevailed in the straits between Luzon and Formosa.

The storm was moving at once to the northwest. The aerologist said it might be curving northward toward Formosa. Manila Bay had 35 foot waves which caused a lumber laden schooner to founder.

There was no loss of life.

Lack of communications prevented receipt of damage reports from northern Luzon.

The navy said there was no major damage to its installations.

Five sailor-volunteers, who braved the waves, rescued 11 Filipino fishermen clinging to bamboo fish traps on San Nicolas shoal halfway between Manila and Corregidor.

MOLTEN LAVA MAY DESTROY JAP CITY

Kagoshima, Kyushu, April 4.—A flood of molten lava flowing down the east slope of Mt. Sakura on the island of Sakura is expected to wipe out Korokami village on the eastern tip of the island within three days, observers of Kyushu imperial university said today.

All villages in the area were evacuated two weeks ago when the volcano showed signs of dangerous activity.

On the southern side of the mountain, a lava flow the height of a seven-story building is moving toward the village of Arimura.

PALMETTO LEGISLATURE FAVORING PROHIBITION

Columbia, S. C., April 4.—(AP)—An outright prohibition bill received an 81-30 roll call second reading in the house today after the ways and means committee proposed continuation of present liquor laws under a new alcoholic control board.

House reading of the prohibition bill was the first specific action on liquor taken by the general assembly since it convened at noon yesterday in extraordinary session at the call of Governor Williams to "do something about the liquor situation."

$10,000,000 Destruction From Waves

Losses Are Counted By Property Owners; Death Toll Increases

Honolulu, April 4.—(AP)—Property damage wrought by the Pacific tidal waves was estimated at $10,000,000 in the Hawaiian islands today as businessmen and owners of tidy beach cottages and $60,000 luxury homes counted their losses.

The death toll in the islands rose to 88 with the finding of five more bodies at Hilo, bringing that city's total to 56. Sixty-nine were missing; 59 of them from the island of Hawaii. In other areas of the eastern Pacific, 12 persons drowned. Thus, 169 persons in all may have lost their lives.

Also Hit Tahiti.

Monday's immense wave also hit Tahiti, the Aleutians, California, and South America but the greatest loss of life and property occurred in the Hawaiian islands.

The search for the missing — including 25 school children — continued by sea and air. Supplies of food and clothing poured into the stricken city of Hilo, partially wrecked as the full force of the tidal wave crashed through its funnel-like harbor.

Throughout the islands, property owners and city, county and territorial officials made sketchy estimates to inundated hotels and yacht clubs, stores and warehouses, sugar plantations, shipping, army and navy installations, utilities, communications and railways.

Warren Criticizes Section Of Atom Control Measure

Washington, April 4.—(AP)—Comptroller General Lindsay Warren today criticized as "a mockery and a fraud" a section of the proposed atomic energy control bill relating to spending powers of the control commission.

The outspoken North Carolinian appeared before the Senate Atomic Committee at the request of Senator Byrd (D) of Virginia.

Warren said that the wording of the section was "utterly meaningless" and would lead to a wave of appropriated money.

Lint Prices Drop Over $1 Per Bale

New York, April 4.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 15 to 60 cents a bale lower.

Noon prices were 55 cents to $1.25 a bale lower.

May 27.85, July 27.92, October 27.87.

	Pv. Close	Open
May	27.03	28.00
July	28.09	28.00
Oct.	28.11	27.99
Dec.	28.11	28.00
Mar. (1947)	28.15	28.09
May (1947)	28.15	28.06

Settlement Of Harvester Strike Seen

10-Week-Old Strike Of 30,000 Workers May End Shortly

By The Associated Press.

Settlement appeared imminent today in one of the nation's longest current strikes, the ten-week-old work stoppage by 30,000 CIO farm equipment workers employed in International Harvester Co. plants.

While Government labor officials looked hopefully toward an end of the country's major labor and dispute, the work stoppage by 400,000 AFL United Mine Workers, negotiators on the harvester company's strike were reported in agreement on all but one issue.

The issue still under debate as representatives of the company and union met with Federal conciliators in Washington was reported to be allowance rules for piece workers under which they would get average earnings for lost time during machinery breakdowns or similar slack periods. More than half of the 30,000 involved are piece workers.

SHOWDOWN THREATENED IN COAL STRIKE.

Washington, April 4. — (AP) — Strike-bound soft coal operators threatened today to force a showdown on John L. Lewis's wage and hour demands.

The United Mine Workers' chief in three weeks of contract talks has refused to discuss these issues pending an agreement "on principle" to his proposals for a health and welfare fund and for improved mine safety.

But a spokesman for the mine owners said they intended to press for a vote today on a resolution calling for immediate consideration of the pay and working time questions.

Pope Pius Makes Appeal For Food To Save Starving

Vatican City, April 4.—(AP)—Pope Pius In a speech today appealed to the world's "conscience and sense of responsibility" to save destitute peoples from starvation.

Speaking over the Vatican radio, he said the "spectre of famine rises behind the deliberations of diplomats."

He estimated that one fourth of the world's population faced the "sinister menace of hunger."

Attlee Opens Food Debate

London, April 4.—(AP)—Prime Minister Clement Attlee opened a food debate in the House of Commons today by declaring that "millions of people today are faced with scarcity of food and some with absolute starvation," and that allies must be fed from former enemies.

"We shall do all we can to prevent our late enemies suffering from starvation," he said, but "if it comes to the choice one is bound to consider our friends before our enemies."

Although Britain's rations recently were cut to war-time levels, and her bread darkened as much as it was during the height of the U-boat raids, he said "I am bound to warn the country that I can not guarantee a further cut will not be necessary."

Parties Question Greek Parliament Election Validity

Athens, April 4.—(AP)—The four left-wing parties of the EAMKEE, attacking the validity of Sunday's election because only half of the registered voters went to the polls, have called upon Regent Archbishop Damaskinos to prepare the way for new balloting.

A statement signed by the four parties, which boycotted the election and declined to put up candidates described as "bogus" the parliament elected Sunday and asked the "great allies to rectify" the situation.

FOUR-POWER COUNCIL FOR JAPAN TO MEET

Tokyo, April 4.—(AP)—The four power council for Japan will meet tomorrow with General Douglas MacArthur, supreme Allied commander, in the first official post-war meeting of the Nippon's conquerors.

MacArthur will outline broadly his views on occupation and the council's duties. Headquarters officials said the tenor would be "liberal and tolerant" in view of MacArthur's desire to have the council run smoothly.

MacArthur has not announced whom he will name to the American seat on the council, but it was reported that Maj. Gen. W. F. Marquat, head of his economic and scientific section will be named.

Early Gains In Market Reduced

New York, April 4.—(AP)—Buyers swarmed over the stock market in the early part of today's session but there was little follow through and extreme gains running to four or more points eventually were reduced or cancelled.

Ahead most of the time were U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Chrysler, General Motors and Montgomery Ward.

Losers included Union Pacific, Goodrich, U. S. Rubber and Westinghouse.

Deficit Might Be Removed In Year

Washington, April 4.—(AP)—The Federal deficit may cut to around $22,000,000,000 for this fiscal year and wiped out in 1946 and 1947, government economists estimated today.

Treasury technicians now believe tax receipts for the year ending June 30 will run to two to three billion dollars higher than was forecast in January, when President Truman's budget message went to Congress.

Base Pay Measure Is Near Approval

Washington, April 4. — (AP) — A compromise industrial wage base of 60 cents an hour moved close to Senate approval today. But a last ditch fight was on to kill a presidentially opposed amendment designed to boost farm prices.

Many hours of informal conferences during the past three days apparently convinced backers of the original bill they could not drum up the votes for the new minimum they aimd at — 60 cents immediately and 75 cents within four years. The present statutory wage base is 40 cents an hour.

Reports Atom Leak

ACCORDING to Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada, his government has launched an investigation into the disclosure of "secret and confidential" information—reported to be concerned with atomic energy—to members of a foreign mission in Ottawa. Twenty-two men have been detained for questioning by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. *(International)*

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy, warm this afternoon; little change in temperture tonight. Not quite so warm Friday.

Farm Depreciation Hard To Figure, Scott Shows

BY LYNN NISBET.
Daily Dispatch Bureau

Raleigh, April 4.—Many North Carolina farmers are kidding themselves about the actual net profit from their farms, because they fail to charge off depreciation, in the opinion of Kerr Scott, commissioner of agriculture.

Scott cited his own experience to illustrate his point. He said that during the past couple of years he had used a number of German prisoners on his farm, mainly clearing up overgrown ditchbanks and grubbing stumps and briars from the fields. Altogether he paid out around $3,000 for such work. While this was chargeable to overall farm operation, it could not be charged against the cost of producing any one crop.

Scott said he knew of farm now on the market for around $25 an acre and the price sounded cheap. But investigation disclosed that ditch banks and side areas were overgrown, what he called "bellies" of briars and broom sedge had grown up in the middle of fields, fences were rotted down and buildings in bad repair for lack of attention over a period of years. When cost of rehabilitating or reclaiming the land was counted, the $25 an acre price was found to be fair or even high value.

These conditions are prevalent all over the state, he said, since it has been impossible to keep up with conservation work during the war. A farm can deteriorate so much in five years, he added, that it will take ten or fifteen years to bring it back to full utility.

Scott fears that too many farmers in figuring profits and making income tax returns fail to give proper consideration to depreciation of capital investment. He thinks some government estimates that net farm income has gone up more than 200 percent since 1939 likewise fail to take into account depreciation items.

Chou Raps Intervention

Chungking, April 4.—(AP)—General Chou En-lai, Communist spokesman, today demanded that the Allies give China a chance to establish democracy and asserted that "careless assistance from foreign nations will increase disorders here."

His statement was made as he and other Communists renewed their verbal assaults on the government and nationalist party, further widening the breach that General George Marshall's recent truce efforts narrowed.

"I feel that Allied nations should firmly adhere to President Truman's statement and the decision of the Moscow Big Three conference in assisting China to institute democracy and throw off political tutelage," Chou told a news conference. "Only when these are effected will Allied help be beneficial. Otherwise, careless assistance will, rouse the Chinese people and increase disorders. We Chinese people and we Communists don't want such help."

BLINDED VET 'SEES' HIS CAMPUS

FRESHMAN AT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, John K. Duress begins majoring in psychology by developing his own stout independence of all help in getting around. Shown here studying the Princeton campus on a relief map made for him by librarian G. V. Duffield, the 23-year-old Fitchburg, Mass., war veteran—blinded in both eyes and minus his left hand—has declined a Seeing Eye dog and uses only his cane. *(International)*