

Sen. Bailey Is Very Sick, Doctor Says

Tar Heel Senator 'Slightly' Better; Comfortable Night

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—Senator Josiah W. Bailey (D) of North Carolina was described by his physician today as a "very sick man, but slightly improved" after an abdominal attack.

The 72-year-old senator had a "fairly comfortable night" at Doctors' Hospital, said Dr. Walter A. Bloedorn. He became ill yesterday after eating lunch at the Capitol and was taken to the hospital on a stretcher.

"The senator's condition is serious," the doctor said. "He is a very sick man. He has worked too long and too hard. He is suffering from arterial hypertension and will be confined to the hospital for a complete check up and treatment for a considerable period."

New Jersey Takes Over Gas Concern

Action Is Taken To Prevent Halt In Flow Of Fuel

Newark, N. J., April 5.—(AP)—The State of New Jersey seized and began immediate operation today of nine gas works of the huge Public Service Electric and Gas Company at the very hour set by six independent unions for a state-wide strike.

The 1,200 workers involved remained at their posts, assuming an uninterrupted flow of gas for heating and cooking to three-fourths of New Jersey's more than 4,000,000 residents.

Gov. Walter Edge last night signed the order authorizing the seizure and operation of the gas works under a nine day old state utility strike law. He empowered State Labor Commissioner Harry Harper to act as administrator of the plant in order that the manufacture of gas may continue and that the public interest, health and welfare shall not be interfered with.

Profit Cashing Hurts The Market

New York, April 5.—(AP)—Profit cashing on the substantial recovery from the February slump today put most stock market leaders in the losing bracket.

On the off-side the greater part of the time were U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, General Motors and Southern Pacific.

DEATH RATE AMONG CHILDREN DROPPING

New York, April 5.—The death rate among American children has dropped sharply and almost continuously for the past 35 years, according to the statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, who characterize the period as "the golden age of child health."

The decrease in mortality at ages 1 to 14 was close to 80 per cent among white children between 1911-1912 and 1941-1945. These facts were gleaned from a study made among children insured in the Metropolitan's Industrial Department.

Terming it one of the brightest chapters in the recent history of American medicine and public health administration, the statisticians say: "The gains also reflect the economic and social advances which have greatly raised the standard of living."

In this study the death rate from the principal communicable diseases of childhood—measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough, and diphtheria—has declined well over 90 per cent in the period reviewed. A striking fact brought out is that in ages 1 to 14 years the death rate from all causes combined now is considerable less than the mortality from these four communicable diseases alone only 35 years ago.

SOCIAL SECURITY MEETING PLANNED

Chapel Hill, April 5.—A series of three institutes on social security, its program and administration, will be sponsored by the University of North Carolina's Division of Public Welfare and Social Work between August 4 and August 30, it was announced here today by Dr. Arthur E. Fink, director.

Enrollment will be limited to 25 in each of the first two institutes and to 60 in the third conference, Dr. Fink said.

Sight 'Miracle'



WHILE CHOPPING WOOD 32 years ago, Pate Bird of Shelbyville, Ky., lost the sight of his right eye when it was struck by a splinter. Last week, Bird was again chopping wood. Another splinter struck the blind eye and tore loose the cataract that had formed over it. Sight was immediately restored to the eye. He is shown at work, wearing a patch until the eye becomes accustomed to light. (International)

Operators And Lewis Far Apart

Producers Expect Deadlock To Last Until 1st Of May

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—Soft coal operators talking frankly yesterday today their strike deadlock with John L. Lewis would last at least until May 1.

Their pessimism over prospects of settling the five-day-old work stoppage reflected lack of progress in three weeks of negotiations for a new contract with the United Mine Workers.

Federal Conciliator Paul Fuller urged the conferees to stay on the job today. Both operator and mine representatives seemed inclined to take a long week-end recess and let the dispute simmer.

The producers contend Lewis has blocked settlement by insisting on a prior commitment for additional mine safety measures and creation of health and welfare fund they estimate would net the union treasury up to \$60,000,000 annually.

Charges Of Chou Taken Lightly By Capital Officials

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—American officials took lightly today contentions of Chinese Communist Leader Chou En-lai that the unity program General George Marshall helped that country adopt is in jeopardy.

Specifically they said, the United States plan to huge lump sum loan to China would not give any "real assistance" which might cause disorder.

Those were among fears Chou voiced yesterday at a Chungking news conference, along with his charge that the Generalissimo, Chiang Kai-shek's nationalistic party is not carrying out its end of the unity program, adopted in January.

Regent Of Greece Reported To Have Resigned His Job

Athens, April 5.—(AP)—Usually reliable sources reported today Regent Archbishop Damaskinos had submitted his resignation to Panayotis Poulitis, who was sworn in last night as Greece's new premier.

The regent had indicated a desire to resign last November, but was persuaded to continue in office at least until after the general elec-

Committee Votes OPA Year's Life

Republican Effort To Limit Term To 9-Months Rejected

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—The House Banking Committee today approved a year's extension of price control, as recommended by President Truman. It defeated 13 to 9 a Republican effort to limit OPA's new lease on life to nine months.

However, the committee aimed a blow at OPA pricing policy, voting 15 to 6 to prohibit the agency from requiring retailers for a period of six months to absorb larger costs of manufactured products, such as autos, refrigerators and radios.

Moreover, the group by a 15 to 3 ballot, approved subject to House and Senate action—a gradual termination of the Government's \$2,000,000,000 annual subsidy program.

None By June 30, 1947

Big Manhunt For Escapee Continuing

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—Five car loads of Washington and Maryland police sped to suburban Dealwood early today in response to a cab driver's tip that he saw a man closely resembling Earl J. McFarland, convicted killer who escaped from the District jail's death house Wednesday.

The driver said he saw a man sneaking along the street clad in wrinkled gray shirt and dark blue trousers which looked like part of the policeman's uniform the 24-year-old ex-marine wore when he escaped.

The taxi man called the police from a patrol box two blocks away and they began an intensive search of the area.

Soon after the police arrived a home owner in the suburb reported his house had been entered and some food stolen from the kitchen. The marauder left many fingerprints and experts from District headquarters were called to make a comparison with McFarland's fingerprint record.

Hoover Says Famine Sure For Europe

London, April 5.—(AP)—Herbert Hoover said today that famine is "inevitable" in Europe unless American and other large wheat producing nations immediately ship all available food supplies.

Reporting to the emergency food conference here on the results of a personal survey of Europe, Hoover said that "hunger sits at the table three daily in hundreds of millions of homes."

The American people, under the leadership of President Truman, already have responded generously to the call for a drastic reduction in their consumption of bread and fats, Hoover declared.

The honorary chairman of President Truman's famine emergency committee said his survey of Europe had disclosed that suffering from lack of proper diet was greatest among children and adults in urban areas.

Truman Preparing Army Day Address On Foreign Policy

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—President Truman today drafted a firm Army Day warning to his country to maintain powerful armed forces during the critical experimental years of the United Nations.

The Chief Executive leaves at 4:25 p. m. EST for Chicago, where in famous Soldier Field he will deliver a 20 minute address reemphasizing United States' foreign policy and his recipe for backing it up.

The address, following talks by Secretary of War Patterson and General Dwight Eisenhower, chief of staff, is scheduled for delivery at 4 p. m. tomorrow.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Fair weather tonight, with mild temperatures and cooler. Saturday, fair and warmer.

The 15,000th



HONOR of being the 15,000th bride to land in the United States goes to Mrs. Marie Skelton, 24, of France. She is shown on her arrival in New York aboard the Army transport Zebula Vance. She is the bride of M/Sgt. Raymond Skelton, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who is still stationed overseas. (International)

Police Investigate Report He Is In Suburban Dealwood

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Federal Workers Might Be Given Pay Boosts—But

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—The House held out the promise of a \$400 a year pay raise to thousands of Federal employees today, but there was a big catch to it.

The catch is that enough general workers be fired to make the necessary funds available, so that no increase in salary appropriations will be required.

The bill is not yet law and it may give way to a compromise measure for the Senate already has voted to raise the pay of Federal workers about 11 per cent.

LINT PRICES SHOW EIGHT CENT GAIN

New York, April 5.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 35 to 55 cents a bale higher.

Noon prices were 25 to 30 cents a bale higher.

May 28.00, July 28.11, October 28.12.

	Pv. Close	Open
May	27.95	28.05
July	28.00	28.05
Oct.	27.96	28.05
Dec.	28.02	28.07
Mar.	28.05	28.14
May (1947)	24.04

Russia And Iran Sign Treaty On Withdrawal

Reds Agree To Have Forces Out By Early May

Teheran, April 5.—(AP)—The Iranian Government announced today that Premier Ahmed Qavam had signed an agreement with Soviet ambassador at 4 a. m. providing that Red army troops would evacuate Iran "unconditionally" within six weeks from March 24.

The agreement also provided:

1. That a proposal for oil concessions to Russia would be presented to parliament within the next seven months and
2. That the Azerbaijan problem would be recognized as "a purely internal affair."

The agreement was the result of negotiations which Qavam began on his recent visit to Moscow, and which Iranian Propaganda Minister Prince Firouz said were continuing in Teheran.

Firouz emphasized that the negotiations were entirely independent of the question of the withdrawal of Russian military forces from Iran, which he said was proceeding satisfactorily.

COUNCIL REACTION GENERALLY FAVORABLE.

New York, April 5.—(AP)—Word of the new Russo-Iranian agreement announced in Teheran today was received with obvious caution by diplomats in the United Nations, although first reactions were generally favorable. Some suggested the pact actually strengthened and broadened Russia's assurances of troop removals from Iran which the security council yesterday formally accepted.

However, the speed with which the agreement followed upon the security council's action evidently caught the experts by surprise. The reserve with which they greeted it was explained by some as reflecting a determination to make doubly sure that Russia had not exerted any new pressure on Iran.

These angles were brought out by diplomatic sources here:

1. Iran's commitment to submit to parliament in seven months oil concessions for Russia undoubtedly means the Russians will get substantially what they want in the way of oil grants. American officials had expected this and expressed only the reservation that they hoped it would be a strictly commercial arrangement.
2. The new self proclaimed autonomous government of Azerbaijan may be on its way out. The Russians appear to have agreed to that the status of Azerbaijan is a purely internal affair.
3. The provision for removal of all Red army troops from Iranian soil in a month and a half from March 24 merely formalizes the assurances already given by Russia to the council and upon which the council acted yesterday when it voted to defer the Iranian case until May 6. It now appears quite likely, with good faith on all sides, the Iranian complaint may not have to be brought up again.

Long Shot Takes Grand National

Aintree, Eng., April 5.—(AP)—Lovely Cottage, a 25-to-one shot bought by his present owner in December and ridden by an amateur today won the 193rd running of the Grand National Steeplechase with a stretch rush that swept him past the faltering favorite, Prince Regent.

Before what was probably the greatest crowd ever to see a horse race—400,000—M. Moran's 9-year-old gelding came on to finish four lengths in front of the 100-to-one shot, L. S. Ewell's Jack Finlay, as a three-to-one choice. Prince Regent, weakened and wound up third. Amateur rider Capt. R. Petre, who was part of the 145 pound carried by Lovely Cottage over the 30 fences, ditches and brooks, brought the jumper home on top to pick up the winner's purse of \$35,320 in this first running of the Grand National since 1940.

YOUTH FOUND GUILTY OF SLAYING OFFICER

Mircola, N. Y., April 5.—(AP)—Dennis E. Dotson, 24, of Clendenin, W. Va., was convicted early today by a Nassau county court jury of murder in the second degree for the February 4 shooting of Patrolman John West of the Nassau county police.

The jury of 11 men and one woman deliberated nearly eight hours before returning the verdict. Dotson was brought from the county jail where he was as held to hear the verdict. He received the verdict without any display of emotion.

SPRING BRINGS PERFECT DAZE



POETS HAVE SUNG OF LOVE in wondrous phrases down through the ages. But little Jimmy Murray of Johnson City, N. Y., who has been around only a few short years, seems to have them up a tree as he sits beneath one with his lady fair, Kathy Callahan. Judging by the young lady's rapt attention, Casanova must be spinning in his grave. (International)

Hatch Takes Issue With Pepper Charge

Washington, April 5.—(AP)—Congressional friends of Secretary of State James Byrnes heaped fuel today on a foreign policy debate touched off by Senator Claude Pepper's contentions that this country is "guaranteeing British imperialism."

Challenging the Florida Democrat's assertion that United States and Britain have "ganged up" against Russia, Senator Carl Hatch (D) of New Mexico said he believes Byrnes is following a firm course that is calculated to strengthen the United Nations, where a lesser course would destroy it.

"Put Russia in It."

Hatch also took issue with Pepper's charge—made in the course of a lambasting of British foreign policy yesterday—that other nations have sought to "put Russia in a hole" at the UNO Security Council.

Senator Maybank (D) of South Carolina, representing Byrnes' home state joined with Hatch in criticizing Pepper's assault on what the Floridian described as a "possible haranguing of the arteries" of American foreign policy.

Secretary Byrnes is carrying out a cautious policy that is designed to strengthen the UNO, Maybank said. "He called Russia's bluff on some points, but he did it in the interest of the little nations. He certainly is not playing the British game."

'Blue Beard' Condemned

Paris, April 5.—(AP)—Dr. Marcel Petiot, accused of operating a "salvaged murder mill" within the forbidding walls of his residence on the Rue Le Saucor, was condemned to death today after a three week trial had ended on his conviction for more than a score of killings.

The hollow-eyed little physician was shocked into silence when the verdict was read, but within a few minutes recovered to shout to his brother, Maurice in the crowded Palace of Justice: "I must be avenged."

PREPARE FOR PARADERS.

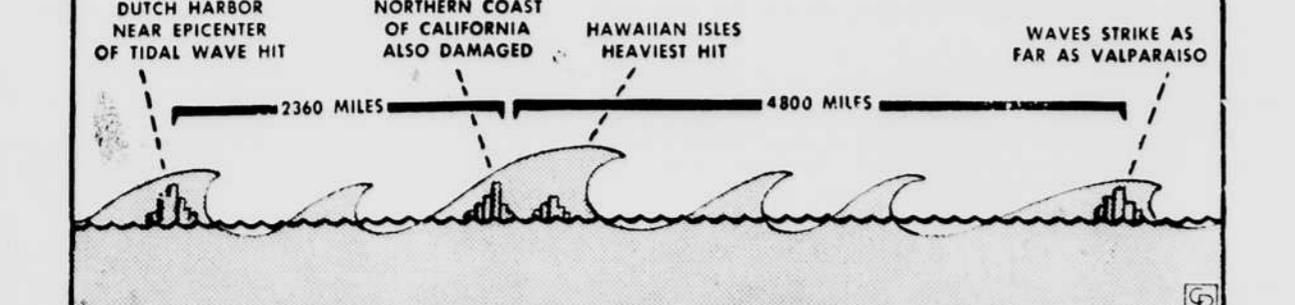
Washington, April 5.—(AP)—An estimated 100,000 troops moved to more than a dozen cities today for the first Army Day parade since Pearl Harbor.

SANCTUARY FOR TIDAL WAVE VICTIMS



AMONG THE 3,000 REFUGEES being taken care of at the Army's Green Valley Evacuation Center in Hawaii after the disastrous tidal wave had made thousands homeless are James Koorbali and his family. The hunt for the bodies of victims is still going on. It is feared that the death and missing toll may mount to 500. Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International)

HOW TIDAL WAVE MADE 7,160 MILE SWEEP



AS OFFICIAL RECORDS indicated that the giant tidal wave had spent its strength, a check-up showed that after its terrifying blow at the Hawaiian Islands it traveled along the western seaboard for a distance of 7,160 miles. Peru and Chile, as the above map shows, were included in its final coastal attacks. The huge waves were launched by a submarine earthquake in Alaska's Dutch Harbor area. (International)