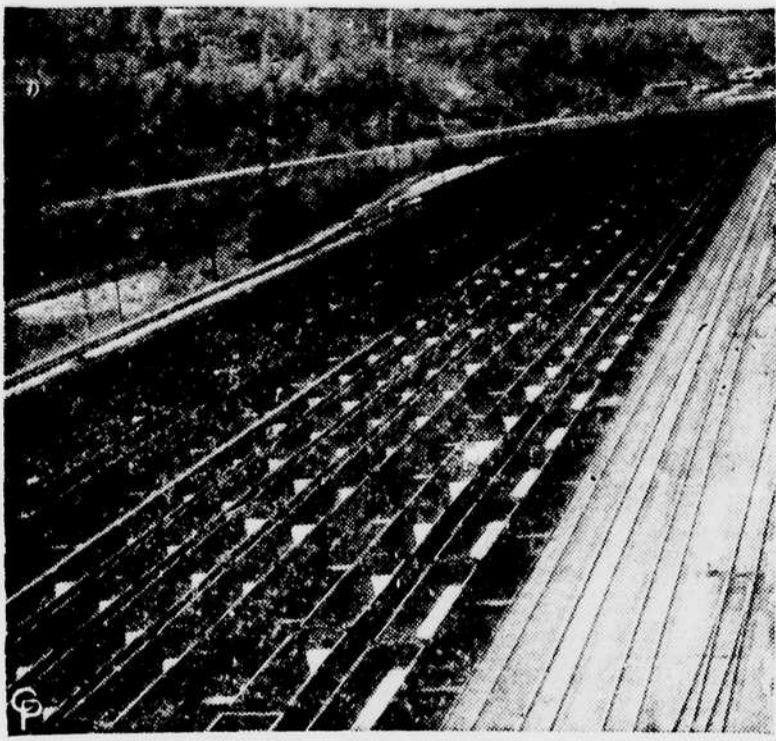


## CARS IDLE AS COAL STRIKE DRAGS



AT LEAST 28,000,000 TONS of soft coal have been lost since John L. Lewis called out the 400,000 bituminous miners. And as the nation was warned of the effect this loss will have on production, cars that could haul 150,000 tons are shown standing idle at Williamson, W. Va., center of one of the richest bituminous coal fields. (International)

## State And Nation Plan Easter Services

### Moravian Services In Winston-Salem Will Set Pattern

(By The Associated Press.)  
Headlining North Carolina's first peace-time Easter in five years, the traditional Moravian sunrise service at Winston-Salem, marking its 174th year, will set the pattern tomorrow for similar services throughout the State and nation.

With fair, warm weather promised, Winston-Salem officials have made ready for the greatest crowd in the history of the event, which will get underway at 6 a. m. at Home Moravian Church, with the Easter salutation by Bishop J. Kenneth Piel. Following this will be the pilgrimage to the hallowed Moravian graveyard, the crowd filing eight abreast down Cedar avenue to the center of the graveyard as a 400-piece band plays.

The concluding portion of the services will be held around the grave of William Birkhead, an Englishman, who died in 1772, the first member of the colony to die.

### Other Services

Elsewhere in the State, Charlotte, Durham, Gastonia, Greensboro, Concord, Murphy, Elkin, Henderson and Albemarle will be among the cities holding sunrise services.

At the nation's capital 16 states are expected to be represented at a program in the amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery which other sunrise services will be held at Ft. Lincoln Heights, at Walter Reed hospital, and on the steps of the George Washington memorial.

Fifteen miles northwest of Lawton, Okla., 150,000 persons are expected to watch a sunrise program in which a cast of more than 1,000 will depict the life, crucifixion and resurrection of Christ.

About 50,000 persons are expected to climb Mt. Davidson, San Francisco's highest peak, to attend day-break services. The Easter program at huge Hollywood Bowl is expected to attract 35,000 persons, while 75,000 are expected at Forest Lawn, Calif. The 34th annual sunrise services will be held at Mt. Radisson, with 12,000 persons in attendance.

### Two Carolinas Promised Good Easter Weather

(By The Associated Press.)  
The weather man's week end prediction today indicated that the Carolinas' first post-war Easter would be fair, and for the most part, warm.

Around the two state area today, the U. S. weather bureau predicted fair and moderately warm temperatures for South Carolina and partly cloudy and slightly warmer in N. Carolina.

Tomorrow's Easter forecast called for continued fair and not quite so warm, in the north and east portions, of North Carolina and little change in the southwest. The forecast gave the green light to numerous communities planning outdoor services Sunday as well as assurance of favorable weather for the traditional parade of Easter finery.

### NEW RELEASE PAY PROGRAM INTRODUCED

Washington, April 20. — (AP) — Four senators sought today to settle the question of military terminal leave pay for discharged enlisted men and women with that payment of \$300 to those who have served overseas and \$100 to those who did not.

Senators Johnson (D) Colorado, Maybank (D) of South Carolina, McFarland (D) of Arizona and Chavez (D) of New Mexico, introduced a joint bill which would:

Make the payments to all who served six or more months since August 27, 1940, were honorably discharged and received less than 30 days a year in furlough.

Provide they could obtain the money simply by showing their discharge certificate at any naval station, army finance or recruit's office.

Give enlisted men and women still in the service terminal pay on the basis of two and a half days of each month of service, less furlough time.

## Jap Army Clique's Program To Regain Power Is Disclosed

### Groups Are Formed And Weapons Held; Situation Expected

By FRANK L. WHITE.

Tokyo, April 20. — (AP) — Many former Japanese army officers are forming groups, some on government-subsidized farms and secreting supplies in the obvious hope of one day regaining power.

This I learned from reliable sources — Japanese, Allied nationalists and American occupation officials — during a careful investigation of more than two months.

American officials, rather than looking upon it with undue alarm, see in the situation a naturally expected one.

In many instances, the identities of the groups are known. They are being watched.

### Not On Extensive Scale.

"To date there has been no evidence of any subversion on any extensive scale," said an authoritative source at General MacArthur's headquarters.

Former Major Robert Kirk of Houston, Tex., safety officer since deactivated and back in civilian life in the United States as an attorney, gave the information and the contacts which started the survey.

Much of the evidence can not be divulged for obvious reasons. But here are some of the findings:

On so-called "cooperative" farms, Japanese army officers are well equipped with vehicles, mountain formality of ranks, are well financed, and are on guard for snooping neighbors.

North of Tokyo, a Japanese former major and a large staff live in a shrine near a former arsenal area, through connivance with police, have obtained ample supplies of gasoline for their automobiles.

### Guard Convicted Of Beating GI's, Gets Six Months

London, April 20. — (AP) — A United States army court martial today convicted S. Sgt. James M. Jones of Muskogee, Okla., in three specifications charging simple assault on American army prisoners at the Lichtfeld detention camp and sentenced him to six months at hard labor.

In addition to the six months term, Jones was ordered to forfeit \$18 a month of his army pay during the period of his confinement.

The verdict acquitted Jones who was a guard at Lichtfeld, on five charges of simple assault and assault with intent to do bodily harm. Jones had told the court that prisoners marked with bruises from beatings by the guards were concealed whenever army inspectors visited the camp.

The 22-year-old soldier acknowledged he hit prisoners with his fists and with clubs and said such actions by the guards "happened every day" on orders from superior officers.

### LEADING ISSUES ON MART BETTER

New York, April 20. — (AP) — A number of leading stocks showed improvement in dealings around noon in today's market although some issues lagged.

Higher were North American Electric Power and Light, U. S. Steel, Union Carbide, Public Service (N. J.) Westinghouse, International Harvester, Lewis's, Packard, and Standard Oil (N. J.).

## Council Sessions To Enter Second Month Next Week

New York, April 20. — (AP) — The United Nations Security Council begins its second month of deliberation next week with the prospect that Russia's demand for dismissal of the Iranian case will be reaffirmed and that Franco Spain may be investigated by a council sub-committee.

The Iranian case comes up first when the council meets at 3 p. m. (EST) Tuesday to review a report from its committee of experts on procedure, who told the council they were split 8 to 3, over the Iranian case on lines identical with those around the council table.

An Australian proposal for appointment of a five-member sub-committee to conduct a four week investigation of the Franco regime inside Spain gained strength, meanwhile, with Poland, author of the charges against Spain, reported ready to back such an inquiry.

### Has Business Cents



JUST EIGHT MONTHS were needed by ex-Lt. Max Twentier, 26, Bisbee, Arizona, of the First Armored Div., to run his mustering-out-pay into a million dollar business. While in an Army hospital Twentier got an idea that his buddies would like signet rings bearing the division emblem. It proved to be a million dollar idea. (International)

## Government Makes Coal Strike Plans

### Negotiators Recess In Electric Strike; Steel Head Worried

(By The Associated Press.)

There was a lull on the country's labor front today as negotiators in one major strike recessed while government officials mapped new plans in an attempt to end the work stoppage of 400,000 soft coal miners. Since the strike by AFL United Mine Workers on April 1 an estimated 60,000 workers in related industries have been made idle, while other thousands expected to be laid off if the walkout continues.

In New York, Benjamin Fairless, president of the United States Steel Corp., said that only an early end to the coal strike could prevent "inevitable" shutdown of all the company's steel-making operations.

### No Progress Made.

As operations continued to slump in steel mills and automobile plants because of the dispute, Secretary of Labor Schwelbent went ahead with plans for separate meeting next week with operators and with John L. Lewis, UMW president. He said, "we haven't made much progress this week" toward settlement.

Meetings will be resumed in Pittsburgh Monday in an attempt to settle the country's second largest strike, involving 75,000 CIO electrical workers at Westinghouse Electric Co. plants. Negotiators did not disclose progress of yesterday's meeting as they met to discuss the union demands for an 18 1-2 cent hourly wage increase. The strike began last January 15 at plants in 12 states.

Only minor developments were reported in other disputes, with the total number idle throughout the nation remaining at about 740,000.

## Wheat Use Slashed By New Decree

### Flour Consumption Cut 25 Per Cent To Meet Relief Needs

Washington, April 20. — (AP) — The United States opened an intensive new attack on the global food crisis today, ordering a 25 per cent slash in domestic flour consumption and calling for even more vigorous self-rationing of food in American homes.

The emergency, President Truman revealed, has become so acute that this country's already low wheat reserves are going to be cut even further to the fish famine relief.

Mr. Truman solemnly told the nation it confronted the "greatest threat of mass starvation in the history of mankind."

The flour consumption cut was a direct step toward helping this country supply jam-packed overseas areas with a million tons of wheat monthly — the target set by the President for the next three months. The reduction order is effective a midnight Sunday and will continue in effect until June 30.

### Six Point Program.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson announced the flour reduction order as part of a six point administrative program to provide more food for export. Other points:

1. A government bonus to farmers of 30 cents a bushel for wheat delivered up to May 25 — an inducement aimed at shipping upwards of 100,000,000 bushels of wheat from farm storage.

2. A like bonus per bushel to farmers for 50,000,000 bushels of corn, to be resold to feeders and processors in urgent need.

3. A government offer to buy an unlimited amount of oat meal for starvation areas.

4. Twenty-five per cent cut in the amount of wheat used by food manufacturers in products for domestic human consumption.

5. A reduction in the wheat inventories of millers and food manufacturers to not more than 21 days supply.

## Planting Of Tobacco Is In Full Swing

### State Conditions Found Favorable; Weevil Eliminated

College Station, Raleigh, April 20. — Tobacco planting is in full swing over favorable conditions in several eastern and southern counties. It was reported today by Roy R. Bennett, tobacco expert of the State College Extension Service.

Leading the way with heaviest plantings of the season scheduled this week are Robeson and Columbus counties. Transplantings also are scheduled this week in the following counties which have large tobacco acreages: Pitt, Wilson, Greene, Lenoir, Johnston, and Wake.

On the strength of a slightly relieved farm labor outlook, growers have indicated that they will plant the state's entire allotment of 785,400 acres this year.

### Weevil Eliminated.

The new but highly destructive vegetable weevil, which struck heavily at tobacco plantings in Wake, Wayne, and Moore counties for the first time last year, apparently has been eliminated at least for this season in the eastern and southern sections of the state, Bennett said, indicating that the cold winter and liberal use by farmers of cryolite in the soil have prevented a recurrence of the weevil attack.

Blue mold, dread leaf plant disease, has made its appearance throughout the bright leaf tobacco areas but the large number of plantings, good stands of plants and widespread control measures have minimized yield damage.

Tobacco acreage allotments among the leading bright leaf counties now engaged in transplanting the 1946 crop, include: Pitt, with the state's largest allotment, 45,309.9; Johnston, 39,992.5; Robeson, 33,552.7; Wake, 34,345.6; Wilson, 29,989.1; Columbus, 27,699; Lenoir, 24,793.7; Greene, 21,537.55.

### BUS LINE AGREEMENTS GIVEN STATE APPROVAL

Raleigh, April 20. — (AP) — The state utilities commission today approved an agreement between Atlantic Greyhound Lines and Lenoir Motor Coach company under which Lenoir Motor Coach will operate buses locally over Greyhound franchises between Lenoir and Taylorsville.

## Chinese Communists Will Occupy Harbin When Soviets Leave

### Homeward Bound



FROM A PORTHOLE of the S.S. Algonquin in New York harbor, little Gianfranco Cabbia, 9, watches as the ship prepares to sail for Italy. The boy was "adopted" by U. S. troops in Italy after being blinded by the kick of a Nazi cavalry horse and brought to this country for medical treatment. (International)

### Government Officials In Manchurian City Fleeing To Mukden

(By The Associated Press.)

Chinese communists announced today they would occupy the northern Manchurian city of Harbin when the Russians withdraw next Wednesday, "if a state of civil war still prevails" then.

The Communist determination to follow on the success in capturing Changchun, Manchurian capital, was announced in Chunksing by a party spokesman.

Chinese Government officials in Harbin, Manchuria, frightened at the prospect of capture by Communist forces—a fate that presumably befell their fellows in Changchun—fled by plane today to government-controlled Mukden.

### Without a Struggle.

Simultaneously, an official spokesman in Chunksing revealed that the Communists could take Harbin without a struggle after Russian troops withdrew from that important north Manchurian city next week. He said the Government had no troops there. The Communist dominated north Manchuria.

He also made the startling acknowledgment that national troops have not captured Szeppingka—despite previous claims—and belatedly reported the fall of Changchun, the capital of Manchuria.

In fact, said the spokesman, the central Manchurian situation is "very grave" from the Government view point.

### Situation Explained.

He gave this explanation of the battle for Szeppingka, important rail center about half-way between government-controlled Mukden and Changchun:

A vanguard of the Government's new First army entered Szeppingka, met strong Communist resistance, and halted to consolidate its forces.

It was the withdrawal of Russian troops from Szeppingka last Sunday, midnight, that caused the successful Communist onslaught on the Manchurian capital.

Harbin, 150 air miles north of Changchun, is the key communications center for north Manchuria.

Associated Press Correspondent Spencer Davis learned of the flight of Harbin officials to Mukden, 325 air miles to the south at Sino-American true headquarters in Peiping. He said the Harbin officials fled "for reasons of environment"—fear of a repetition of Changchun's violence.

However, some Peiping sources told Davis they doubted that a conflict as Changchun's would follow the Soviet evacuation, explaining that the Harbin mayor never had been supported by Chinese government.

### FORREST ELECTED A. S. N. E. PRESIDENT

Washington, April 20. — (AP) — Directors of the American Society of Newspaper Editors today elected Wilbur Forrest, assistant editor of the New York Herald-Tribune as president of the society. Forrest moved up from the post of vice-president, succeeding John S. Knight, president of the Knight Newspapers who had held the presidency for two one year terms.

### TRUMAN'S GIFT PERFECTLY BULLY



ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON just as Congress was wrangling over meat price ceilings, this prize bull calf appears quite unconcerned as President Truman takes him over the White House grounds. The calf, a gift to the President from the Birmingham, Ala., Livestock Show, was turned over to the Department of Agriculture. (International)

### MANITOBA JAIL BREAK HALTED



SHOUTING AND SINGING, a group of woman inmates hurl their defiance from a window in the Manitoba provincial jail, where some 45 women rioted in protest for more and better food. After using tear gas in an unsuccessful attempt to quell the rioters, the police withdrew to let the state and hungry women "cool off." (International Soundphoto)