

THOUSANDS GREET HOMECOMING VETERANS

Ship Strike Settlement Seen Today

Conciliator Says A Good Chance Of Averting Tie-Up

Washington, June 13.—(AP)—A Government conciliator said "there's a good chance" for a settlement today that would avert the threatened maritime strike set for tomorrow night.

The conciliator made this statement to a reporter privately after a joint session of east and west coast ship operators and union leaders representing the CIO-dominated Committee for Maritime Unity.

CIO President Phillip Murray and CIO General Council Lee Pressman sat in on the meeting held at the Labor Department.

Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson, handling the negotiations for the government, was asked whether "everything is buttoned up yet" on a settlement.

"When it's buttoned up, we'll announce it," Gibson replied.

Not Accepted Or Rejected

One of the union leaders, asking that his name not be used, told reporters:

"The government's proposal has neither been accepted nor rejected by the union, because we do not know yet what its final form will be."

Capt. Granville Conway, head of the War Shipping Administration, likewise was asked whether a settlement had been reached.

"Not yet," he replied.

The conciliator who said "there's a good chance" for a settlement during the day, added that the CIO National Maritime Union, biggest union in the CMA, has not formally approved a WSA proposal to put in effect a 48-hour week for seamen and a wage increase of \$17.50 a month.

"They haven't accepted anything yet, but they've indicated their willingness to accept," he added.

Chetnik Head Admits Talking With Germans

Belgrade, June 13.—(AP)—General Draga Mihailovic told the Yugoslav military court today that he and Col. Robert H. McDowell, chief of a United States mission to Chetnik headquarters in 1944, in a conference with Germans that year proposed that they turn over their arms to the Chetnik chief "in view of their coming defeat."

Marshal Tito's government in its indictment of Mihailovic charged that the Chetnik leader and McDowell held parleys with the Germans in 1944.

Mihailovic, testifying with apparent reluctance today, said he and McDowell refused to discuss the "danger of communism" with a German officer named Sterker, a deputy of the chief of the administrative staff of the German command in Yugoslavia in September, 1944. "You need not worry about it," Mihailovic quoted McDowell as saying when Sterker attempted to bring up the question of "the danger of communism in Europe."

Col. McDowell told him Germany was defeated and would capitulate and told him "the arms you have must be turned over to General Mihailovic," the defendant testified.

A reliable source said defense attorneys were planning to ask court permission to call McDowell as well as Col. William Bailey and a Col. Hudson, British liaison officers at Mihailovic's headquarters as witnesses for the defendant.

E.C.T.C. ANNOUNCES '46 GRID SCHEDULE

Greenville, June 13.—A nine-game tentative football schedule for the Pirates of East Carolina Teachers College was announced today by James A. Johnson, Jr., of Raleigh, head coach.

The schedule follows: September 28, open; October 5, Atlantic Christian College, here; October 12, Elon College at Elon; October 19, Erskine, here; October 25, Naval Apprentice Station at Newport News, Va.; November 2, open; November 9, Atlantic Christian College at Wilson; November 16, West Carolina Teachers College, here; and November 23, Lenoir Rhyne at Hickory.

MOVING DAY FOR PART OF NEW AERIAL GIANT



ONE WING OF THE HOWARD HUGHES \$20,000,000 "HERCULES", which will be the world's largest flying boat, is shown on a truck trailer on its way to Los Angeles harbor for final assembly. Between the plant at Culver City, Calif., and Terminal Island, where it will be launched, 23 public utility companies had to move wires and constructions to open a wide enough and high enough path for the giant parts of the craft to get through. The "Hercules" will have wing spread of 320 feet and 8 motors. (International Soundphoto)

Byrnes Off For Paris Parley

Washington, June 13.—(AP)—James F. Byrnes left today for Paris and a showdown with Russia of European peace settlements.

Byrnes' plane left a few minutes after Mr. Truman had waved him and Senators Tom Connally (D), of Texas and Arthur Vandenberg (R) of Michigan aboard with a sweeping smile of his white summer hat.

Connally, who, along with Vandenberg, is an advisor to Byrnes, issued an appeal for passage of the draft extension act as he stepped aboard the plane.

It is expected, he said, "in view of our foreign commitments and our flag possessions."

There was a brief laughing exchange between Byrnes and Mr. Truman as they posed for photographers beside the plane which is the President's own personal craft.

Byrnes said to the President "why don't you come and visit us in Paris?"

"Well," Mr. Truman replied, "I might do that. He was laughing and gesturing as they talked. A bit later as Byrnes tried to get up the steps into the plane he told Mr. Truman with a grin "get a special plane and come on over."

Again Mr. Truman lengthily replied that he might do that.

Umberto Of Italy Leaves For Portugal

Rome, June 13.—(AP)—The royal palace announced today that King Umberto II has left Italy for exile in Portugal.

A spokesman at the Quirinale Palace press office said the king's four-engine plane, which took off from the Campino air field, would go "direct to Lisbon."

The king ended his three-day struggle with the cabinet over whether a republic won in a plebiscite 1 days ago.

Earlier in the day, it had been reported that the king would go to his estate near Pisa to await the supreme court's ruling on plebiscite irregularities, which he contended, made the court announcement of republic victory "indefinite."

But the finality of the fearful farewells at the airport indicated even before the official announcement that he was leaving Italian soil.

The rejected monarch's moves came as premier Alcide DeGasperi was granted new powers as acting chief of state in a temporary compromise solution of Italy's political crisis.

Queen Maria Jose and her two children went to Portugal aboard an Italian cruiser last week soon after it became apparent that Italy had voted to overturn the royal House of Savoy in favor of a republic.

Supreme Court Probe Declined By House Group

Washington, June 13.—(AP)—The House Judiciary Committee decided today it does not have sufficient evidence to take any action in the supreme court controversy involving Justices Robert H. Jackson and Hugo L. Black.

Chairman Hattan W. Summers (D) of Texas told reporters at the end of a closed meeting that there is "no determination at the moment to conduct an investigation."

NEW YORK COTTON

New York June 13.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 15 to 35 cents a bale higher. Noon prices were 70 to 95 cents a bale higher. July 29.19, 95 cents a bale higher. October 29.46 and December 29.60.

Parade Outstanding Feature; Cooley Is Speaker At School; Air Show, Memorial Are Held

Crowds Pack Garnett St. For Parade

Through Garnett street thronged with thousands of spectators, colorful bands, veterans, Gold Star mothers, War mothers and dads, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and a Fort Bragg mobile unit paraded at 10:15 o'clock this morning beginning Henderson's Veterans Homecoming Celebration.

Two North Carolina State Highway patrol cars led the parade, followed by the 72-piece Raleigh high school band, in uniforms of gold and purple. A color guard composed of veterans preceded the local unit of the N. C. State Guard.

Wearing corsages of white carnations, Gold Star mothers, mothers of men in Vance county who died in service during World War II, rode in the procession prior to the War Mothers.

The 32-piece high school band from Kinston, led by its music-director major, marched next in the parade. They wore colorful uniforms of red and blue.

Veterans, VFW, AMVETS and Legionnaires kept a step reminiscent of their service days, marched in a group. Majority of the men, in whose honor the day's program was planned, wore in civilian clothes while a few wore the uniform of their service.

Following the veterans, former Boy and Girl Scouts, Cubs and Brownies, carried flags of three-five arrays. They were followed by a bicycle brigade, gaily festooned with colored streamers.

In uniforms of blue and gold, the 23-piece Sanford high school band played familiar marches.

The Negy unit of the parade, which extended a mile down the street, was led by the Gold Star mothers.

A large group of veterans in uniforms of the various branches of service marched to close order drill preceded by a color guard.

Divided into army and navy groups, the veterans made a fine showing.

A mobile unit from the Army Service Forces was followed by a huge truck built by Condit to be used as a gun mount.

Henderson high school band received much applause as it paraded through the crowded street. Distinguished guests here for the day's celebration rode in cars concluding the parade.

The procession formed on South Garnett street at Young avenue and marched north to Henderson high school, where a program followed.

A hot sun fell on spectators, who bent a steady path to drug stores for refreshments. Both sides of the street were lined with local and out-of-town citizens, and many viewed the parade from windows of business concerns on Garnett street.

More Jewels Are Found In Germany

Frankfurt, June 13.—(AP)—The army announced today that \$40,000 to \$50,000 worth of the Hesse crown jewels had been recovered in Germany following the arrest of an American major here Sunday.

An official statement said the jewels would be put on display soon in the I. H. Farber building, headquarters of American forces in Europe, and more details of the recovery might be released then.

Mal Davis S. Watson of Birmingham, Cal., was arrested here last Sunday in connection with the theft after his former employer, Capt. J. W. Durant, and his WAC captain bride had been taken into custody in Chicago by officers investigating the theft of the \$1,500,000 royal treasure from Krimberg Castle.

Cherry Appoints Kendall As Head Of State U. C. C.

Raleigh, June 13.—(AP)—Governor R. Gregg Cherry today announced the appointment of Lt. Col. Henry Kendall of Shelby as a member of and chairman of the North Carolina Unemployment Compensation Commission.

Kendall, whose salary is fixed at \$6,000 a year, will succeed Col. A. L. Fletcher, resigned, on July 1. Fletcher's term normally would have expired July 1, 1949.

Rails, Industrials Advance In Market

New York, June 13.—(AP)—Rails, steels and selected industrial issues moved up in today's stock market, although many leaders were indifferent.

Homecoming Speaker



HAROLD D. COOLEY Fourth District Congressman

Cooley Asks U. S. Lead In World Peace

Has No Fear For Future If Nation Discharges Duty

Eight to ten thousand people from Henderson and Vance county and elsewhere gathered here today and paid tribute in an all-day homecoming program to the deeds and heroism of more than 3,000 men and women from Vance county who served in various branches of the military service in World War II.

A mile-long parade moved through the business section at 11 o'clock, including marching veterans of both world wars, four high school bands, Gold Star mothers and others in motor cars, State Guard units, Scouts and other civic and patriotic groups. Both white and colored veterans and organizations marched in the parade and won the acclaim of the thousands massed along the line of march.

Cooley Is Speaker.

Congressman Harold D. Cooley, of this district, was the chief speaker at exercises held in the auditorium of Henderson high school following the parade, and declared that he had no fear for America's future if the people recognized, accepted and discharged their duties and responsibilities in leadership of a world movement for peace.

The day's program began with registration of veterans at 9 a. m., colored and white servicemen reporting at their respective American Legion halls. Following the parade and speaking, an air show was given at the airport east of the city from 2:30 to 4 p. m. with many local air service veterans participating, and a softball game was played at the park in the far grounds, with memorial services for the war dead following at 6:30 p. m. at the Lions club plaque at the underpass on North Garnett street.

Service men are on hand to explain details of the weapons and other facilities to visitors. Many of these were wartime secrets while the conflict was in progress, and are only now being revealed to the public.

Smoke bombs, flame throwers, grenades and the like are included in the display and some demonstrations have been given of how these things are operated in time of battle.

Also in progress most of the time are sound motion pictures showing high spots of the war. There are glimpses of President Roosevelt, of the Normandy invasion, the signing of the peace and numerous other shots depicting the nation's war effort.

Visitors to the exhibit have been given a new and vivid impression of the scope and efficiency of the army services that were carried on in the colossal effort to defeat the enemies of democracy. Never before have local citizens been treated to such a display of the nation's might once marshaled in its own defense.

The exhibit was set up early Wednesday and was open from 3 to 9 p. m. Wednesday and all day today until 6 p. m.

Music for the parade was furnished by high school bands from Raleigh, Kinston, Sanford and Henderson, who were entertained at a luncheon at King's Daughters' Park following the speaking at the high school.

In connection with the day's program, a mobile unit of war weapons and devices was brought here from Fort Bragg and was set up in the National Guard Armory, open free to the public for inspection, and visited by thousands of individuals.

Cooley told the audience at noon that the war is over but it has not yet been won, that the freedom of man is still the issue.

The speaker manifested uneasiness about relations with Soviet Russia, and warned against unwise steps in contacts with the Soviets over Europe or other parts of the world. But in the field of world leadership, the United States has an unique and superior opportunity to give its great service. This nation has the great-

Uneasy About Russia.

Dances tonight will end the homecoming day celebration, and are expected to be an elaborate scale.

At Coopers Warehouse will be the concluding social event for white veterans and their friends. From 8 to 10 o'clock music will be furnished by Tom Hearne's Carolinians Orchestra of Henderson. From 10 until 2 o'clock the music will be by Johnny "Seal" Davis and his orchestra, a nationally known organization. Numerous novelty numbers will be on the program.

At the National Guard Armory on the Dabney road the dance for colored veterans will be held, beginning at 9 o'clock, and all colored veterans and their friends are invited.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy and continued hot and humid with thunder-showers tonight and Friday.

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