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Americans Injured In Rioting in Trieste



ALLIED MILITARY POLICE attempt to disperse rioters in Trieste after one in a group of several thousand Yugoslav sympathizers demonstrating in the city hurled a hand grenade, injuring 22, including 7 Americans. Charge of hostile acts by the Yugoslav 4th Army, made by the Allied Commander in Trieste, were believed to have been the cause of the latest outbreaks in this Balkan trouble spot. (International Radiophoto)

Senate Group May Probe U.S. Rule In Reich Zone

Sweeping Inquiry Being Considered; May Plan Vetoed

Washington, Sept. 12.—(AP)—A sweeping inquiry into operations of this country's military government in Germany reportedly is under consideration by the Senate War Investigating Committee.

A member disclosed privately today that the committee received testimony in a recent closed-door session regarding alleged irregularities among military officials, particularly with respect to fraternization.

An unidentified witness, questioning about conditions in the U. S. zone, was said to have complained them unfavorably with the German occupation of France during the war.

This testimony, as yet uncorroborated by any others acquainted with the situation, was regarded as only preliminary information, and other members said additional facts will be sought before any decision is made on undertaking the inquiry.

This may come at a meeting later this month when Senator James H. Mead plans to sit down as chairman to campaign as the Democratic nominee for governor of New York.

With Senator Harley M. Kilgore (D) of West Virginia slated to be named to the chairmanship, his attitude toward undertaking any new investigation is now being influenced by the decision. Kilgore is seeking reelection in a West Virginia contest which promises to be close.

135 Soldiers Placed In Jail In Florence

Florence, S. C., Sept. 12.—(AP)—A riotous situation in which military police were reported to have swung their clubs as freely, landed 135 Negro soldiers in civilian jails here today on charges of "disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and interfering with an officer."

Hearings were scheduled to begin late this afternoon in city recorder's court.

No serious injuries were reported among either the troops or the MP's. Florence police said the men created no further disturbance after being jailed.

Police Chief J. A. Price said the Negro soldiers, most of them 1944 back from overseas, charged six MP's last night in an attempt to free five of their number arrested on a troop train for disorderly conduct.

The soldiers, with whom the MP's were traveling, left the train in the back of the MP's and the five men were arrested after a brief confrontation among themselves, charged the smaller group, Price said.

The MP's, Price said, began wielding clubs into the charge of the soldiers. Several men were knocked down but no one was seriously hurt.

Approves Mead Decision

Meanwhile, Senator Brewster (R) of Maine approved Mead's decision yesterday in backing the proposal of Rep. Andrew J. May (D) of Kentucky to appear before the group the week of Sept. 25 to testify about his connection with the Garrison movement.

Daniel J. Anderson, May's attorney, wrote Mead yesterday suggesting that the congressman be allowed to testify for an hour at a time.

Anderson said May's doctor felt he would be recovered enough from a heart ailment to come to Washington from Kentucky late this month.

In reply, Mead told Anderson that while the committee was "very anxious" to complete its investigation of the Eric Basin Metal Products Co., Inc., and allied companies operated by Dr. Henry Garrison and Murray Garrison, it does not desire to get a definite date for a hearing in anticipation of May's recovery.

When May is able to testify in a hearing in Washington without injury to his health, the committee will then arrange for a hearing.

U. N. C. Prof Gets Thanks Of Greeks

Chapel Hill, Sept. 12.—Dr. Wallace E. Caldwell of the University History Department, has received a letter of appreciation from an official of a girls' orphanage in Salonika, Greece, where he sent cash contributions he had collected from friends here.

Dr. Caldwell put on a one-man drive in Chapel Hill after having been told of the plight of the Greek people by his son, Robert, American Vice Consul at Athens.

The letter read in part: "Your assistance to the 139 orphan girls came at the moment it was needed most urgently. We thought that God sent you. Our happiness must react upon you. We express our warmest thanks to each contributor. Please assure them that Greece is worth every sacrifice. Our weak and small country has with God's help carried out an unparalleled fight in history for the benefit of civilization, all alone, during a period of six full months, and she is asking only justice."

New York Child Rushed To Duke For Treatment

Newark, N. J., Sept. 12.—(AP)—After several hours of frantic efforts by his parents to obtain plane passage, one-year-old Anthony Costabile left by plane from New York yesterday for emergency treatment by a Duke University hospital specialist.

The child's physician, who asked that his name be withheld, said Anthony was suffering from nephritis, which stops normal kidney function, and that the boy's condition was dangerous.

The physician said the only man he knew with sufficient specialized knowledge of the disease to treat it with real hope of success was Dr. Walter Kempner at Duke.

The boy became ill over the weekend and was taken to a hospital here Monday. Late yesterday the child's father, Walter Costabile, succeeded in arranging passage on a plane for Raleigh.

The mother, the child and a nurse left together while the father obtained passage on another plane.

August Highway Traffic Breaks Record In N. C.

Raleigh, Sept. 12.—(AP)—North Carolina highway traffic last month smashed all previous monthly records.

James S. Burch, engineer of statistics and planning for the state highway and public works commission, said that August's volume exceeded the previous records of August, 1941, when new vehicles were being purchased in unprecedented numbers.

On the average about 50,000 vehicles passed the 20 toll-free electric-eye stations in North Carolina, as compared with 54,987 in August, 1941. Last July the figure was 54,600.

Apartment Squatters Blockaded

London, Sept. 12.—(AP)—Stalwart London hooligans blockaded London's "squatters" in their possession of luxury apartments and hotels today to communist leaders of the squatter invasion defied efforts of the Labor Government to stamp out the movement.

Police, acting on orders straight from No. 10 Downing St., the office of the Prime Minister, to end the "forceful entry" of vacant private dwellings, refused to let sympathizers pass food into three of the latest squatter-occupied buildings, despite pleas that "the children are hungry."

In retaliation, the squatters said they planned an appeal direct to King George VI for help and declared they would seek thousands of signatures on a petition to be circulated at a Trafalgar Square mass meeting tonight. Communist backers of the movement called another open air mass meeting near Leicester Square.

But since the King acts only on the advice of his ministers, the squatters already had the answer to their proposed petition, for the government denounced the entire squatter technique yesterday as an unlawful movement to overthrow and threatened prosecution of the leaders for criminal conspiracy.

Selling Resumed In Stock Market

New York, Sept. 12.—(AP)—Selling resumed in today's stock market on a more or less restricted basis but many issues managed to achieve further modest recoveries. American Tobacco, an inactive performer, was off seven on a single sale. Casualties included Chrysler, Douglas Aircraft, U. S. Rubber and Johns-Manville. Resistant were American Smelting, Goodyear, Bethlehem, and Standard Oil of N. J.

ARMY TROOPSHIP LOADED BY GIs



ARMY STEVEDORES aid in the unloading of the troopship *President Tyler* at a Staten Island, N. Y., pier, shortly after the vessel's arrival from Europe. Army was forced to unload the ship because of the paralyzing nationwide shipping strike. Tugs, halted for 3 days, are again moving food and essential supplies in New York harbor. (International)

Textile Concerns Probed

Justice Department Opens Investigation Of 300 Companies

Washington, Sept. 12.—(AP)—Government agents are investigating 300 corporations and individuals who are suspected of black market operations in textiles, the Justice Department disclosed today.

One of the officials directing the probe said the reported transactions involve "many millions of yards of textiles — from the raw state to finished goods."

"They have contributed materially to the present shortage of scarce clothing," he added. "For example, shirts, pajamas, and women's dresses are included in the illegal deals."

Asked where the investigation is centered, the official said "it is country-wide—from Boston to Mississippi and from New York to the west coast."

"Hundreds of complaints have been received—many of them anonymous. They have been narrowed down to 300 which we are now investigating."

High School Day Planned At U. N. C.

Chapel Hill, Sept. 12.—(AP)—Postponed as a war emergency for five years, "High School Senior Day" at the University of North Carolina will be observed Saturday, September 23, at which time 12,000 seniors have been invited by President Frank P. Graham and Chancellor R. B. House to witness the North Carolina-V. P. I. football game "on the cuff."

Organized in 1938, the North Carolina High School Senior Day have attracted upwards of 20,000 students in 1941. The fifth program for students, their principals and sponsors for the game this year will include tours of the campus to be conducted by Dean of Men Fred H. Weaver and YMCA Secretary W. H. Potrat.

According to Prof. Guy B. Phillips, who has been authorized by the Athletic Association of the two institutions to direct the program, several half-time events have been planned for the visitors. Director of Admissions Roy Armstrong and Alumni Association Secretary J. Maxson Saunders will have charge of the printed program for the day.

Headquarters for the Day will be at Memorial Hall, where tickets to the game will be distributed to individual representatives of the various high schools by Prof. W. H. Plemmons of the Education Department.

CROP CONDITIONS FAIR FOR TAR HEEL FARMERS

Raleigh, Sept. 12.—(AP)—The federal-state crop-reporting service said today that crop conditions the first week of September were fair to good throughout the state and particularly favorable for harvesting hay.

Rainfall was very light for the week, falling mostly toward the last of the week, with a statewide average of 1.10 inch.

The dry weather was favorable for cotton and some slightly less for corn and soybeans. Boll weevils continued to damage the crop in the southern piedmont section.

Milk production in the state during August was 144,000,000 pounds. Fruits continued in good condition, and barley tobacco was fair to good.

President Steps Into AFL Shipping Strike; Steelman Given Issue

For Wage Boost



TESTIFYING before the Wage Stabilization Board in Washington, A. V. Cherbonnier, attorney for the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Ship Operators Association, urged the board to approve increases of \$5 to \$10 in excess of \$17.50 to striking AFL union seamen. (International)

Wage Stabilization Board Turns Down Pay Boost Appeal

Washington, Sept. 12.—(AP)—President Truman has instructed Reconstruction Director John R. Steelman to take charge of the crippling maritime strike situation and try to work out a settlement today.

This announcement was made by Charles G. Ross, presidential press secretary, who told reporters that members of the Wage Stabilization Board, which last night refused to approve an AFL seamen's wage increase, were now given a full report by Steelman.

"It is up to Dr. Steelman to make a decision, probably in the course of the day," Ross said.

As the spreading waterfront walk-out threatened to shatter the entire national wage-price stabilization program, Ross told newsmen that Technich had two courses open.

"One obviously is to approve the finding of the Wage Stabilization Board and fight it out, with all that that implies," Ross said.

"The other is to agree with the Maritime Commission—and the union and the industry—as against the WSB.

"These are the alternatives."

Ross emphasized that Steelman is acting under authority of the wage-price executive order of last February which subjected wage increases to federal approval before they could be used as a level to raise prices to increase charges against the government.

Even as unionists moved to tighten their stranglehold on every deep-sea port, the WSB last night declared again that the AFL seafarers must be content with the wage increases in the "pattern" set earlier for CIO seamen.

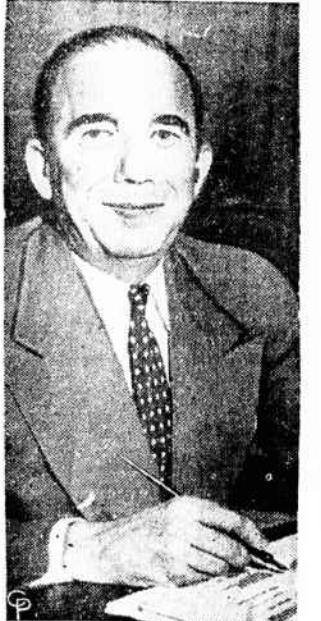
Thus the White House found itself squarely on the spot where it must make the decision that may write labor-management history.

W. Willard Wirtz, chairman of the wage board, spelled out the issue last night when he asserted that while the ships are involved, so is the future of economic stability, not only in the shipping industry, but in American industry generally. Every person in this country has a stake in avoiding wage spirals today which can only mean higher prices tomorrow.

The AFL sailors, who quit work a week ago in angry protest against the WSB's shaving \$10 and \$5 off pay boosts won respectively by east and west coast seamen, replied by pledging a fight "to the bitter end."

CIO maritime workers, already idle because of the AFL tie-up, prepared to go out on strike officially themselves. The CIO-dominated Committee for Maritime Unity moved to New York for another strike-planning conference after meeting here yesterday.

Secret Service Head



ACCORDING to Treasury Department officials, James J. Maloney, pictured at his desk in Washington, will become head of the Investigation Division of the Secret Service. He is expected to take over upon the retirement of Frank J. Wilson, the present chief. (International)

Large Bogus Money Ring Broken Up

Washington, Sept. 12.—(AP)—The secret service today announced the recovery of \$10,000 in bogus \$20 Federal Reserve notes in the "largest haul" in its money taken in the past two years.

The announcement said four men had been arrested in connection with the haul, made in New York City.

Secretary of Treasury Snyder and acting Secret Service Chief James J. Maloney gave this account in a statement.

Joseph Soroka, alias "Moosey," and Joseph G. Giarrano were taken into custody in New York City yesterday after Soroka had delivered a package containing the \$10,000 in counterfeit bills to an undercover secret service agent at a mid-town hotel.

Giarrano was arrested near the home of Soroka where the statement alleged, he was waiting for Soroka to return and make payment for the counterfeit bills.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy except mostly cloudy with few showers coastal area this afternoon. Fair tonight and Friday. Moderate temperatures.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Sept. 12.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 cents to \$1.65 a bale higher. Noon prices were \$1.00 to \$1.55 a bale lower. October 25.94.

Ewing Facing 18 To 20 Year Term For Slaying His Wife In Fayetteville

EWING POSTS BOND

Fayetteville, Sept. 12.—Wall C. Ewing, convicted yesterday of a manslaughter in connection with the death of his wife, today walked from Cumberland county jail a free man after having posted \$25,000 bond, pending an appeal of his case to the North Carolina Supreme Court. The bond was signed by M. B. Person and Joseph Calcutt of Cumberland county.

FAYETTEVILLE, Sept. 12.—Wall Christian Ewing, prominent 54-year-old Cumberland county politician today faced a possible prison term of 18 to 20 years following his conviction on charges of having led and slain his wealthy-prominent wife, Mrs. Douglas S. Ewing.

The trial, which was one of the longest in this area in many years, ended yesterday afternoon when a superior city jury returned a verdict of manslaughter. Ewing had been tried on a charge of first degree murder, and presiding Judge R. Hunt Parker had told the jury they could return four possible verdicts: guilty of first degree murder, second degree murder, manslaughter or not guilty. Jurymen reported acquittal was never considered during the two hours and 35 minutes of deliberations.

Three ballots were taken and there was never a vote for conviction on charges of first degree murder, which automatically carries the death sentence.

Ewing heard Judge Parker pronounce sentence, he pressed his hands to his temples and bowed his head. The verdict seemed to come as a surprise to him.

Immediately after the verdict was announced, Defense Attorney H. E. Stacy, a pealed to the State Supreme Court and Ewing's appearance bond was set at \$25,000; appeal bond was placed at \$200.

As Whisky Marred Him

Stacy, in appealing for mercy after the jury had returned its verdict, said Ewing had "suffered the tortures of the damned" and that "the man you saw in court was not Wall Ewing as God made him, but Wall Ewing as alcohol marred him."

Stacy asked the judge to take into account the fact that the verdict was what he called a "compromised" verdict.

In passing sentence, Parker said, "This court will not join together the merciless beating of a 100-pound woman by her 200-pound husband, nor her pathetic plea."

"The testimony brought out at this trial has shocked the conscience of all who heard it," Parker said.

Before the jury had retired to its locked and guarded room at 12:30 p. m., Judge Parker had told them that they had nothing to consider except circumstantial evidence. On the basis of that evidence, the prosecution had demanded a conviction of first degree murder and the death penalty. The defense asked for outright acquittal.

In charging the jury, Parker said

that "the burden of proof has been on the state from beginning to end in this trial."

Circumstantial Evidence

"This is a case depending on circumstantial evidence," Parker said. "Circumstantial evidence is accepted in North Carolina, but in a felony or capital case the facts must be of such a nature as to point conclusively to guilty guilt."

"Showing the motive is relevant beyond a reasonable doubt. You may return one of four verdicts. Those four possible verdicts were innocent, guilty of manslaughter, guilty of second degree murder, or guilty of first degree murder."

Before the jury began to consider Ewing's fate, the 12th juror was discharged. He was acting as an alternate in event one of the other 12 witnesses was unable to remain on the job.

The sensational trial of the former state senator and representative and later manager of a radio station in Fayetteville had opened August 27. It had been the talk of this bustling, overcrowded city and spectators fought for seats in the small courtroom. The court heard 286,000 words of conflicting testimony.

Solicitor F. F. Fife Carlyle had called more than 60 witnesses to testify that Ewing habitually beat his wife unmercifully over a period of years, and he often threatened to kill her, that he was perfect sane and did kill her deliberately in order that he might enjoy the company of his wife's sister, Kate Southerland.