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Plane Wreckage In Which 8th Air Force Chief Died



Here is the wreckage of an army B-25 bomber that crashed in the woods on Cold Mountain near Brevard, N. C., killing Maj. Gen. Paul B. Wurtsmith, temporary commander of the U. S. Army's Eighth Air Force. Four other army men also were killed. (AP photo).

Tension Spreading In Greece; Italian Arms Clause Adopted

Armaments Limited To 10 Major Ships, 250,000 Soldiers

Paris, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The peace conference military commission set its seal on the military limitation clauses of the Italian treaty today, reducing the Italian fleet to 10 major ships and limiting the army to 250,000 officers and men.

Supplementing a decision yesterday which assigned most surplus fleet units to the big four for division and distribution and requiring Italy to destroy the remainder, today's unanimous action permits Italy to keep two battleships, four cruisers, and four destroyers, as well as such minor units as 16 torpedo boats, 20 escorts, and auxiliary vessels.

The army's armory is restricted to 200 medium and heavy tanks, among other items.

Two B-25 Battleships.

Under the amendment adopted, Italy may keep two B-25 battleships, the Andrea Doria and the Conte Di Cavour.

Strayed by the news that Secretary of Commerce Henry Wallace had urged President Truman to seek an American-Russian treaty on atomic energy, the peace conference also appeared headed for a showdown on a British effort to prohibit atom bomb manufacture in the beaten Balkan nations.

The British amendment—seeking to add atomic fusion weapons and controlled torpedoes to the list of arms prohibited in Bulgaria—already has met with violent Slav opposition in the military commission, which had the matter on Monday's agenda but put it off with a decision to complete work on the Italian first.

Plane With 44 On Board Feared Lost

New York, Sept. 18.—(AP)—A transatlantic plane with 44 persons aboard was overdue and unreported today, and a report to the coast guard said wreckage of an aircraft had been sighted northeast of Gander, Newfoundland.

The missing plane, operated by Sabena, a Belgian airline, was en route from Brussels to New York City. In London a British Press Association report said the aircraft carried 41 American and Belgian passengers. There were 37 passengers and a crew of seven, including two babies.

A message received at 12:53 p. m. EDT from the New York coast guard office from its North Atlantic base said the last radio contacts with the plane were at 3:37 a. m. EDT when the plane was approaching Gander.

At that time, the message said, the plane reportedly had enough fuel to last until 10:35 a. m. EDT.

The coast guard message said an outbreak C-54, not otherwise identified, reported seeing plane wreckage northeast of Gander. A message said poor visibility was delaying air search at Gander.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 30 to 35 cents a bale higher.

V. Riggio Is Named Head Of American

Director, Former Sales Manager To Succeed G. W. Hill

New York, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Vincent Riggio has been named head of American Tobacco Co. to succeed George Washington Hill who has retired.

Riggio, associated with the company for 14 years, was named director in 1937 and was in charge of the vice president in charge of sales.

He entered the tobacco business in 1905 with the firm of Butler and Butler, serving that company as assistant secretary in charge of sales but two years later the firm was bought by American Tobacco Co. and he was named sales manager.

He was transferred to the parent company as a department manager in 1914 and became section sales manager for the United States in 1919, and general sales manager in 1922.

In announcing his election, the company said "in electing Riggio, the company has chosen a president whose entire business life has been devoted to selling tobacco products, and a man who has spent nearly 40 years working in close, day to day association with George W. Hill."

Action Is Filed By OPA Against East N. C. Hotel

Raleigh, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The OPA has filed a treble damage suit for \$6,252 against the Wilmington hotel, claiming it had charged higher than ceiling rentals, and it cited two Eastern North Carolina men of counterfeiting coupons in order to obtain more than 5,000 pounds of sugar.

The agency also announced that it had settled a treble damage claim against two Wilson garages, alleging over-ceiling charges on automobile repair work, by collecting \$1,327.27.

North Carolina OPA Regional Enforcement Attorney Edward F. Hill said suit had been filed in the U. S. District Court at Wilmington against R. C. Boyce of Greensboro, owner of the Brunswick hotel in Wilmington. The suit alleged that overcharges had been made in rental of 50 rooms in the hotel over a 12-month period.

The two men accused of counterfeiting sugar coupons and comparing 100-cent bills to 5,000-pound bags of sugar in Durham sugar deal were James C. Evans, of 1302 Faye Street, Durham, and Leon G. Parker of Angier. Both had been released on bond. They will be given a hearing in federal court in Durham September 22.

The two Wilson garages which settled treble damage claims for over-ceiling charges on automobile repair work were Eastern Motor Sales, which paid \$1,232.75, and Willford Brothers, Inc., which paid \$624.52.

ROUGH RENT RAISERS.

Cleveland, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Six men, accused of beating to death a tenant who objected to a \$2-a-week rent increase, were held to the grand jury on first degree murder charges today.

Detective Martin P. Cooney said the tenant, Wash Larry, 38, was struck on the head with a baseball bat. He died last night.

The defendants, held to the jury by municipal judge David C. Meek, are: Arthur Clark, 39, described in court as a dental holocauster and landlord of the house where Larry resided; William Brown, 26; William Jefferson, 29; Charles Golpin, 21; Henry Johnson, 28, and Bernard Sinclair, 21.

MUSICIANS END STRIKE.

New York, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Settlement of the musicians' strike against U. S. hotels in New York City with allowance of a 20 per cent salary increase was announced Tuesday by Mayor William O'Dwyer.

The walk out, called by local 802, American Federation of Musicians (AFL), had been in its 15th day.

The settlement was announced after the mayor had conferred with both sides in the dispute, and Edward C. McGuire, O'Dwyer's labor advisor, said the musicians were expected to return to work tonight.

BY LYNN NISBET.

Raleigh, Sept. 18.—Pyramiding problems of efficiently administering municipal government under conditions of increasing costs with limited revenue came in for a lot of discussion, both on the public program and in hotel room informal conferences, during the recent municipal league convention at Asheville.

Genuine concern over the problems is not confined to official personnel attending the Asheville meeting, but is getting attention from civic leaders and organizations back home. Vague rumors reaching capital square fail to show any definite trend other than for some kind of

Unique Bank Presidents Together For A Chat



Ninety-three-year-old J. T. Bowman (left) of the Union Trust Company at Shelby, N. C., regarded as the oldest bank president in the country, chats with David E. Guyton, who heads a bank at Blue Mountain, Miss., and is believed to be the only blind bank president in the nation. (AP Photo).

President Is Expected To Tell Wallace: Hush-Up Or Get Out

Decontrol Board Ponders Curbs On Dairy Products

Washington, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Facing a thick stack of conflicting arguments, the price decontrol board met today to decide whether to order price bids returned to cheese, butter, and possibly all other dairy products.

A staff member for the independent panel said the three members might delay a decision until Friday to permit thorough examination of letters, telegrams, and other data submitted in response to the board's invitation.

The session is closed to the public.

At the close of its most recent session last Aug. 29, the board allowed dairy products to remain free of the price cuts that had expired June 30 along with OPA.

The panel ruled that:

1. While milk and other dairy products were in short supply and
2. While price controls could be enforced.

3. Dairy products had not climbed unreasonably, hence the industry should be given an additional trial free from ceilings.

Chairman Roy L. Thompson noted that milk had gone up about three cents a quart since June 30 but that about two cents of this was due to the end of government subsidy payments. He said butter prices were "not far out of line."

But Thompson cautioned that "if dairy products rise upward from here on out, this panel can and will put the industry back under controls."

Andrews Of Florida Dies At Bethesda

Washington, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Senator Charles O. Andrews (D) of Florida died of a heart attack early today at the Bethesda, Md., naval hospital.

Andrews had been in poor health for several months, but it was said that he apparently was in "good spirits" yesterday. He entered the hospital a week ago for a physical check-up.

Senator Andrews' office reported that the body will be taken to Florida tomorrow and that the funeral probably will be held Sunday in Orlando, his home town.

Appointed in 1935.

Andrews, former Florida state supreme court justice, was appointed to the U. S. Senate in 1935 to serve the unexpired term of the late Senator Park Transell, Democrat. Andrews was elected four years later to a term which was to expire next January.

He did not seek re-nomination in this year's primaries.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Margaret Andrews and three sons, Charles Andrews, Jr., of Winter Park, Fla., and Thomas and Edgar Andrews both of Lakeland, Fla.

Andrews began his political career in 1903 as a bill clerk in Florida's State Senate. He later served as judge of the criminal court of records in Walton County, Fla., and from 1912 to 1919 was an assistant state attorney general.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Considerable cloudiness and occasional light rain Wednesday afternoon and night, and Thursday. Slightly warmer in west portion Wednesday night.

Smith Is Heard By Virginia Bar

—Willie Smith, of Raleigh, N. C., president of the American Bar association told the Virginia State Bar association here Tuesday that "we would do well to use the best element in Germany in our planning for the future."

Smith, who recently attended the war criminals trials at Nuremberg and has visited other parts of Europe since the war, declared that "I could even welcome some of the Germans to our shores. Like us, they have suffered at Hitler's hands probably more than we know."

Speaking on "recent observations in Europe," he said the shooting down of an American plane over Yugoslavia "may clearly and pointedly determine our course."

"We should be just, but we may be firm with any would-be aggressor, be it great or small."

REVOLT SUPPRESSED.

Caracas, Venezuela, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Four persons were killed and at least two others were wounded Monday night when government forces suppressed a "short-lived" revolt by a group of army-assigned officers at the Amrosio plaza cavalry barracks on the edge of the capital.

IN 1,000-MILE RACE WITH DEATH



STRICKEN with an incurable brain tumor, Mary Rose, 3, of Grand Falls, Newfoundland, was rushed to her father in Boston, 1,000 miles away, where she was operated on. The operation unsuccessful, the child was given but one week to live and was rushed home again on a transatlantic plane, which made a special stop at Boston for her. Mrs. Leo Rose, who became a mother again recently, gazes at the young figure of her dying daughter. The father brought her home. (International Soundphoto).

Bears Take Over Market Control; Stocks Fall Off

New York, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The cars resumed control of Wednesday's stock market and depressed prices for leaders by fractions to 40 or more points.

A few resistant lots cropped up at a fairly active session, but failed to follow through and the general direction was downward.

A few prominent stumblers were Bethlehem Steel, Youngtown Sheet, Bethlehem Steel, Chrysler, General Motors, Southern Railway, Goodrich, United Aircraft, American Telephone and Texas Company.

Funds stopped and commodities were mixed.

STRIKE CONFERENCE.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 18.—(AP)—A joint conference between officials of the Piedmont Leaf Tobacco Co., and representatives of the CIO-Tobacco Workers Union of America will be held Friday in an attempt to settle a strike which has been underway here for seven weeks.

GRANT FRANCHISE.

Raleigh, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The State Utilities Commission granted a franchise to Colonial Bus Lines, Inc., of Rocky Mount, to operate between Virginia and Oxford, giving the company a route from Danville, Va., to Rocky Mount.

Secretary Confers With Chief Today; Letter Disclosed

Washington, Sept. 18.—(AP)—President Truman went into a round of conferences with State Department officials today in advance of an expected foreign policy showdown with Henry A. Wallace during the afternoon.

The President was reported by top administration sources to have decided to tell Secretary of Commerce Wallace that he must quit talking about American foreign policy or get out of the cabinet.

Undersecretary of State Will Clayton, who tried to head off Wallace's "more gentle with Russia" speech of last Thursday, was scheduled to see Mr. Truman twice before the Secretary of Commerce arrived at the White House.

Baruch Also Calls.

Bernard Baruch, administration advisor on economic policy was on the White House calling list. Earlier, Clayton and Assistant Secretary of State Donald Russell had a 15-minute session with Mr. Truman.

Press Secretary Charles Ross told reporters he did not know whether or not Wallace attended the conferences dealt with the Wallace situation.

Wallace was due at the White House at 3:30 p. m. EST.

Less than 24 hours earlier he wrote the Chief Executive last July urging that this country agree to "reasonable Russian guarantees of security" even at the risk of "containment" crises.

"We have little time to lose," Wallace said in calling for a shift "in some of our thinking about international matters."

The letter, which Mr. Truman surely acknowledged and passed on to Secretary of State James B. Byrnes, proposed a long list of moves which Wallace said should improve American-Russian relations.

Wants A Bomb Destroyed.

Among them was a definite treaty pledge for the eventual destruction of America's store of atomic bombs, and a renunciation of this nation's military as well as foreign policies to avert what Wallace described as the danger of a third world war.

The President specifically "disapproved" release of the letter for general publication on the grounds that his approval might be mis-construed abroad as applying to its contents as well.

But his decision—reversing an earlier one by White House Press Secretary Charles Ross—came too late. Copies had been distributed among reporters at the Commerce Department after it had been learned that a columnist was about to make the document public.

It was this fact that led Ross to give Wallace a tentative go-ahead in releasing the letter.

Thus the letter broke into print as the week-old drama moved to this afternoon's climax in Mr. Truman's office.

State Rests In Charlotte Trial

Charlotte, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The State rested today in the trial of Ward M. Einton, Mrs. Vivian Baird and W. T. Shore, all of Charlotte, on a charge of conspiracy in the "fabrication of an alleged divorce racket."

After concluding its direct evidence, the prosecution called George Tompkins, Newark, N. J. police detective, who testified that when Einton and Mrs. Baird were arrested in Newark that they were found in a hotel only partly dressed.