

35 American Soldiers Are Killed In Korean Train Crash

Fast Train Rams Stopped Troop Train

Seoul, Sept. 15 — (AP) — A passenger train roaring out of a tunnel last night crashed into another train halted on the track killing 35 homeward bound American soldiers. Two Koreans were killed and 85 persons were injured, including 45 American troops. They were bound for Seoul from Pusan.

Witnesses said the fast train from Mokpo to Seoul, which had no headlights, telescoped the rear of the troop train, which had no rear lights.

One passenger on the soldiers' train likened the wreck and subsequent fire to a Dante's inferno. Rescue workers worked all night digging out the dead and injured.

The 35 American bodies were brought here early today. The injured were treated by American and Korean doctors and many of them were able to continue their journey.

Charles McCafferty, of Chicago, a passenger said the engineers of the Mokpo train apparently did not see the other train until it was 50 yards away.

The engine plowed half way into the rear coach from which most of the passengers had jumped when the other train roared from the tunnel.

The rear coach was ripped from its trucks and shoved into the coach ahead, where most of the casualties occurred.

"We saw the train come out of the tunnel about 1,000 yards away," said McCafferty, a labor relations adviser to the military government in the American Zone. "We yelled to the passengers and all got off except one man in the washroom who was not hurt seriously."

Army officials said relatives of the dead were being notified but it may be necessary to bring personnel records from outlying detachments to complete identifications.

Acetylene torches were used to cut open the coaches to reach some of the dead and injured.

About daybreak today, a hospital train arrived in Seoul with 20 bodies and 16 of the injured.

A medical disaster team and salvage workers were at the scene. Army physicians reported that at least three soldiers remained trapped in the twisted wreckage when the first hospital train left for Seoul.

M. E. Penry of Flushing, N. Y., among 30 passengers in the rear coach of the rammed train, said he shouted a warning when he saw the other train approaching. The coach was emptied quickly. He said he ran alongside the train, waving a small pocket flashlight in an effort to warn the soldiers in the two coaches ahead.

Seconds later and just before the crash, he jumped from the right-of-way into a rice paddy. The crash, he said, sent the rear car "right through the one ahead—riding through at the level of the seat tops."

"I've got to hand it to an M. P. who was giving a warning from the other side of the train" Penry said. "He jumped onto one of the soldiers cars and got caught in the vestibule when the crash came."

The Pusan-Seoul train was not on its regular route because of a washout, the Army reported.

Cooler Weather Predicted For State Tonight

By The Associated Press

Slightly cooler weather for Carolinians tonight was promised by the weathermen today. Otherwise, he said, there will be little change in the typical September weather which has covered both states during the past week.

Temperatures yesterday ranged generally from the mid-sixties to the low eighties as Carolinians began making plans for autumn.

Charleston had the lowest maximum reading of any Carolina point except lofty Mt. Mitchell yesterday. The temperature hugged a close 65-75 degree range at South Carolina's port city.

Other representative readings yesterday:

Greensboro 84-64, Charlotte 83-66, Spartanburg 84-66, Columbia 81-63, Hatteras 82-74, Mt. Mitchell 82-49, Raleigh 84-62, Myrtle Beach 87-69, Wilmington 87-70, Cherry Point 84-70, Rocky Mount 83-65, Elizabeth City 85-66, Greenville, S. C. 82-67, Anderson 84-65, Asheville 80-53, Hickory 85-64, Winston-Salem, 85-64, Lumberton 85-68.

WEATHER

North Carolina — Fair, not much change in temperature this afternoon and Thursday, a little cooler tonight.

County School Enrollment Figures Show An Increase Over Last Year's

Halifax.—Enrollment in the Halifax County Administrative Unit in the white schools at the end of the first week of school totaled 2,167, it was announced today by W. Henry Overman, Superintendent of Halifax County Schools.

The 1948 enrollment figures show an increase of 81 students over the enrollment at the same time last year, when 2,086 pupils were enrolled in the seven schools, and it shows an increase of 53 over the enrollment at the same period at the beginning of the last term.

The figures released by the superintendent indicate that the Scotland Neck school, with an enrollment of 573, has the largest school in the county administrative unit. The Scotland Neck school showed a gain of 21 pupils this year, however the greatest gain in enrollment was

registered at the William R. Davis school, which gained 59 pupils for a total enrollment of 438. Overman said the Darlington school, which last year had 28 students, has now been consolidated.

Other schools listed by the superintendent and their enrollment are as follows: Aurelian Springs, 473, a gain of four pupils; Hobgood, 109, a gain of four; Enfield, 498, a decrease of two; and Halifax, 78, a decrease of two.

The Superintendent said the State Board of Education has allotted one additional elementary teacher to the William R. Davis school, bringing the teacher total to eleven elementary and three high school teachers.

The County Board of Education, in its Tuesday meeting, disposed of routine business, Overman said.

NEWS

BRIEFS

MEAT PACKERS FACE CIVIL SUIT

Washington, Sept. 15 — (AP) — The Justice Department today filed a civil anti-trust suit against the "Big Four" meat packers—Swift and Company, Armour and Company, The Cudahy Packing Company and Wilson and Company, Inc.

TOBACCO SET AT WINSTON

Winston-Salem, Sept. 15 — (AP) — Tobacco market sales supervisor Joe R. Williams said today that top grades of leaf still were selling for \$67 a hundred pounds on the Winston-Salem market. He made his statement as the auctioneers started down the rows on the third day of sales here.

ELEVEN MORE POLIO CASES

Raleigh, Sept. 15 — (AP) — Eleven cases of polio were reported to the State Board of Health today, bringing the State's case total for the year to 2,048.

GOP Candidate Says Broughton Won't Debate

Raleigh, Sept. 15 — (AP) — John A. Wilkinson, Republican candidate for the U. S. Senate, asserted today he had challenged the democratic nominee, J. Melville Broughton, to a joint debate on campaign issues—in vain.

Wilkinson said that State Democratic Chairman Capus Waynick had replied to his challenge by saying that plans for a series of Democratic rallies throughout the state would not allow time for the debate.

In a speech which is being broadcast this week over 40 radio stations, Wilkinson asserted that Democratic leaders "don't dare permit him (Broughton) to expose himself to the periods of joint debate" because "he couldn't avoid committing himself and letting the people know exactly how he stands on a number of issues."

Wilkinson then challenged Broughton to state "in plain and simple language" if he agreed with the Democratic platform on (1) repeal of the Taft-Hartley act, (2) the civil rights program, (3) reimposition of price controls, (4) a national housing program, and on other issues.

Marshall May Not Stay Long In Paris

Washington, Sept. 15 — (AP) — Secretary of State Marshall said today that because of the international situation he is uncertain how long he will remain at the United Nations meeting in Paris.

Asked at a news conference whether he expects to see Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov in the French capital, Marshall said that he assumes Molotov is going to be at the U. N. meeting opening Tuesday.

Cherry Gives Four Prisoners Freedom

Raleigh, Sept. 15 — (AP) — Four prisoners, including a Wake County slayer, were paroled today by Governor Cherry. The slayer, Silas Adams, was sentenced in July 1942 to 15 to 20 years for second degree murder in the death of Vernon Crowder.

Others paroled: C. C. Davis, sentenced from New Hanover last January to 18 months for non-support; Lonnie Hoakins, Negro, sentenced from Rowan in September 1947 to 24 months for assault with a deadly weapon; and Harold Clark, sentenced from Martin in September 1947 to 18 months for drinking, entering, larceny and receiving.

Await Audit In Warren School Case

There were no new developments today in the investigation of an alleged misuse of State school funds in Warren County which is now being conducted by Third District Solicitor E. R. Tyler of Roxobel, auditors of the State Board of Education and the State Bureau of Investigation.

Paul Reid, Controller of the State Board of Education, told the Herald today that insofar as he knows the completion of the audit of books in the Warren County schools ordered last week by the State Board of Education has not been finished. He said the State Board in its session in Raleigh ordered the results of the audit sent to the Warren County Board of Education and to the bonding company holding the bonds of Superintendent J. Edward Allen and other school officials.

Harry Walker, chairman of the Warren County Board of Education, this morning declined to make a statement concerning the investigation. He said his board has received no audit report.

Solicitor Tyler could not be reached at his home, and it was reported that "he was out of town."

Sentences Meted In Halifax Court

Halifax—A 60-day road sentence and several lesser sentences were imposed in the eleven cases tried before Judge Charles R. Daniel in Halifax recorder's court here yesterday.

The longest sentence was given to B. T. Felton, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, when he was sent to the roads for 60 days. The only other road sentence imposed was one of 30 days given Robert Louis Purnell on a charge of driving without a driver's license.

Johnnie Williams, George Silver and Lloyd Wilkins, charged with illegal possession on non-tax-paid liquor, were given suspended sentences of three months each, with the sentences suspended on the payment of fines of \$10 each and one-third costs and on condition that they remain of good behavior for two years.

James Coffield and James Baker were given 60-day sentences suspended on payment of \$50 fines and costs and on conditions of two years' good behavior on separate charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

John Bell and Jacob Whitaker were fined \$50 and one-half costs each under a 60-day suspended sentence on an affray charge; and in another charge of affray Horace Johnson was acquitted and Sidney Richardson was given a prayer for judgement on the payment of costs and two years' good behavior. Ben Summerville was fined \$25 and costs on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. Lorenzo Gee was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of simple assault.

A. W. Burnett of Norfolk was fined \$125 and costs on charges of driving drunk and driving without a driver's license, and Jesse J. Riddick of Suffolk was acquitted on a similar charge.

Two U. S. Airmen Parachute Into Russian Zone

Frankfurt, Germany, Sept. 15 — (AP) — Two American airmen who parachuted into the Soviet Zone of Germany are back safely today in the U. S. Zone, the Air Force announced.

The two are Kenneth W. Slaker, Lincoln, Neb., and Lt. Clarence R. Steber, Mobile, Ala. The announcement said the two bailed out over the Russian Zone early yesterday when their cargo plane developed engine trouble.

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Pet Cat Reverts To Jungle Stage And Sucks Blood From Weldon Child

Weldon.—A pet cat which reverted to a state of jungle wildness threw a bad fright into Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Chappell here Monday night, one that might have had serious consequences.

The bizarre occurrence happened about ten o'clock Monday night while Mr. and Mrs. Chappell were talking together in a back bedroom of their home. Their daughter Elaine, three, had been tucked into bed for the night and was sleeping peacefully, supposedly safe from harm.

Mrs. Chappell heard Elaine whimpering slightly and went into the child's room to see what was wrong to find her covered with blood and the family's pet cat perched on her chest apparently eating her face. Mrs. Chappell screamed for her husband and he came immediately and removed the animal from the child, expecting to find her clawed or badly injured but could find no sign of any wounds other than a slight nosebleed.

The parents quickly called a doctor who came and examined Elaine and said she was all right except for a slight loss of blood. He said the cat had gotten into the crib and was sucking the blood from the child's nose. He said if the parents had not heard her and had not investigated the animal might possibly have bled her to death.

Chappell took the cat out and destroyed it to prevent the recurrence.

He said the cat was nearly grown and had been a family pet since it was a small kitten. He said it had been unusually fond of Elaine and she had liked the cat, playing with it all the time. The father said he believes the child did not awaken or cry out because the animal was probably stifling any outcry.

Chappell said he had heard of animals sucking the blood of children but had always regarded such tales as fantastic. "I guess it's just one of those things that have to happen to you before you believe them," he said, "but I don't think I'll trust cats with young children any more."

Truman Accuses Taft Of Pressure On NLRB Officers

Washington, Sept. 15 — (AP) — President Truman today accused the nation's No. 1 labor dispute unit of the Taft-Hartley Act into the simmering political campaign today.

The President accused Senator Taft (R-Ohio), co-author of the year-old labor law, of trying "to put the heat on" National Labor Relations Board officers to crack down on the International Typographical Union.

The ITU has been locked in a long and bitter fight with the NLRB's general counsel, and with publishers and printing houses, over its traditional closed shop. The Taft-Hartley Act outlaws the closed shop, as such.

Taft, returning to Cincinnati after a Canadian vacation, promised a reply after studying the White House charges.

Mrs. Carlee Jenkins Returns As Director Of Nurses At Hospital

A graduate of Roanoke Rapids Hospital's School of Nursing returned this week to take over as Director of Nurses, when Mrs. Louise MacDonald Starke of Roanoke Rapids, another graduate of the local nursing school has been acting director.

"Of course I know a lot of people in Roanoke Rapids from the time I've spent here in the past, and I am pleased to come back because in a lot of ways it is like coming home again," Mrs. Jenkins said today.

A native of Wilmington, Mrs. Jenkins has been with the James Walker Memorial Hospital of that city for several years before being called back to Roanoke Rapids. She is a graduate of the class of 1944 at the local hospital, when she became a full-fledged trained nurse after three years' training. After her graduation, Mrs. Jenkins remained in Roanoke Rapids as an instructor in the nursing school for the 1944-45 year.

Since she left here she has had two years' work in obstetrics and one year in medicine and surgery and comes to the local hospital highly recommended.

George Terry Hearing Is Continued

Halifax September 15— The case of George Terry, alias George Hudson, Negro, 20, who is charged with the murder of Gordon B. Miles, youthful Weldon war veteran, Saturday night was continued yesterday in Halifax County recorder's court.

Terry, who is alleged to have killed Miles by slashing his throat with a pocket knife following an argument on a side road a short distance from Weldon, is being held without bond in jail until the preliminary hearing is concluded.

The hearing was originally slated for yesterday before Judge Charles R. Daniel but was continued until next Tuesday's court session. It is expected that the Northampton County Negro, who was quoted by Halifax County Sheriff H. A. House as admitting he had cut the white youth, will be bound over to Superior Court on the murder warrant which has been lodged against him.

John Harrison, Garysburg Negro who was with Terry at the time of the fatal slaying, was picked up early Sunday morning and jailed as a material witness in the case, however, he was released yesterday and cited to appear in the recorder's court next Tuesday morning to testify.

There was no reason given for the continuation of the hearing on the court docket.

Lack Of Bids For Cement Won't Delay Buggs Dam

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 15 — (AP) — Army engineers who anticipated difficulties in securing cement for the Buggs Island Dam during the present scarcity, do not expect that the failure to receive bids on part of the supply will disrupt the scheduled work, it was said here today.

The Army District Engineer here had asked for bids on 700,000 barrels of Portland cement and 70,000 barrels of natural cement, only about half the material needed for the job. Part of this amount, 100,000 barrels brought no offer by Tuesday's bid deadline.

A spokesman for Col. G. T. Derby, the District Engineer, explained that these bids had been asked early so that all supply problems could be worked out well in advance. The office is expected to re-advertise for bids on the 100,000 barrels of Portland cement for which no offer has been received.

Mecklenburg ABC Sales Are \$759,000

Raleigh, Sept. 15 — (AP) — Mecklenburg County led ABC state sales last month with a total of \$750,840.45, the State Board of Alcoholic Control announced.

Sales for all ABC units were \$3,540,072.65.

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Mrs. Jenkins said the new student-nurses will begin a three-year course at the hospital under the direction of Miss June McCutchen, who will serve as instructor for the new class.

Many of the new nurses seeking the training will come from various parts of the state, and many of them were recruited recently through the efforts of the North Carolina Nurses Association in conjunction with the State Good Health program, which is emphasizing the need for nurses in the state and the value of nursing as a career.

U. N. Gets Italian Colonies Problem

Paris, Sept. 15 — (AP) — The problem of what to do about Italy's prewar empire in Africa went to the United Nations today for decision.

Representatives of the Big Four Powers—Russia, the United States, Britain and France—wrangled over the question until 3 o'clock this morning, but agreed on only one thing: That they could not agree.

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Republicans Step Up Fight For Senatorial Posts After A Challenge From the AFL

Baird Statue To Be Replaced By Another

Raleigh, Sept. 15 — (AP) — The Capitol Square statue of Gov. Zebulon Baird Vance had a new location today—a warehouse here.

But it won't be there long. When new stone work for a base and backdrop is completed, it will be set up at the east end of the Mall at the head of Fayetteville Street.

The Vance statue was taken up yesterday from its base at the head of New Bern Avenue to make way for a new statue—one of the three Tar Heel born presidents, Jackson, Johnson and Polk.

Texas Demos Purge Party

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 15 — (AP) — The Democratic Party of Texas has house-cleaned itself of members and especially leaders who would not pledge themselves to total party loyalty.

This complete party-line purification, and formal certification of Lyndon B. Johnson as nominee for United States Senator were the chief accomplishments of yesterday's 12-hour state convention grind.

Just before midnight, convention officials sent the Johnson certification by registered mail to the secretary of state at Austin. This, Johnson's attorneys said, was to forestall possible legal action by Coke Stevenson, defeated in the Senate race by a record-breaking close margin of 87 votes.

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Announce 85 Jurors For Term

Halifax — The names of 85 jurors for two weeks of Halifax County Superior Court were announced today by F. D. Wilson, secretary to the Board of County Commissioners.

The two-weeks' term will start on October 4 and will be a civil court, with no criminal actions due to be tried.

Jurors chosen for the first week of the court are the following:

Randolph Landen, Scotland Neck; H. C. Keeter, Enfield; J. R. Davis, Roseneath; Willie P. Davis, Roanoke Rapids; S. E. Warren, Halifax; A. W. Gregory, Halifax; J. E. Condry, Scotland Neck; Murry Braddy, Scotland Neck; Alex Lynch, Scotland Neck; R. H. Hux, Faucetts; B. W. W. Land, Roanoke Rapids; J. B. Archer, Roanoke Rapids; L. W. Clements, Roanoke Rapids; Rudolph Williams, Roanoke Rapids; Perry L. Myrick, Littleton; John E. Willet, Roanoke Rapids; John J. Forester, Weldon; C. G. Grant, Roanoke Rapids; E. F. Butts, Butterwood; E. K. Veach, Scotland Neck; Paul A. Johnston, Littleton; R. A. Williams, Roanoke Rapids; Dallas Shearin, Roanoke Rapids; P. F. Thorne, Enfield; C. B. Green, Weldon; J. L. Boone, Palmyra; W. G. Bunch, Roanoke Rapids; W. G. Daniels, Scotland Neck; S. E. Shirley, Weldon; R. P. Harris, Brinkleyville; L. J. Hux, Faucetts; L. L. Whitehead, Scotland Neck; W. E. Cooper, Roseneath; C. A. Goodfellow, Roanoke Rapids; C. V. Rose, Weldon; Dan Tyson, Roanoke Rapids; Clayton B. Sledge, Weldon; James A. Stephens, Roanoke Rapids; S. B. Carlisle, Faucetts; Eugene Hardee, Faucetts; N. O. Dickens, Palmyra; R. M. Fair, Roanoke Rapids; J. H. Crawley, Butterwood; O. T. Carson, Littleton; H. E. Lee, Roanoke Rapids; Bennie A. Davenport, Roanoke Rapids; H. J. Kincaid, Roanoke Rapids; Roy L. Champion, Weldon; W. B. Cooper, Roseneath.

The 35 jurors selected for the second week of the court are as follows:

C. R. King, Roanoke Rapids; Murphy Lewis, Roanoke Rapids; E. C. Barbour, Enfield; H. G. Moss, Roanoke Rapids; J. F. Blake, Roanoke Rapids; C. M. Gardner, Littleton; C. N. Mincher, Roanoke Rapids; Walter M. Parker, Enfield; Lee Morris, Roanoke Rapids; Lacey A. Morris, Halifax; J. E. Pittard, Halifax; M. C. Moore, Palmyra; C. F. Marks, Concoconara; Edward George, Roanoke Rapids; E. O. Madry, Scotland Neck; George B. Wilkes, Jr., Roanoke Rapids; Rufus Hux, Roanoke Rapids; John Bellamy, Concoconara; E. C. Padgett, Roanoke Rapids; George R. Clarke, Enfield; R. E. Leggett, Palmyra; J. Holt Evans, Enfield; Arthur Mizelle, Palmyra; T. E. Cox, Roanoke Rapids; L. B. Doyle, Roanoke Rapids; Willie Floyd Williams, Enfield; C. W. Moore, Scotland Neck; J. D. Pittard, Faucetts; Charles E. Birdsong, Roanoke Rapids; Walter Edmonds, Concoconara; J. B. Thomson, Jr., Richard Whitehead, Palmyra; L. B. Green, Faucetts; Hubert L. Rook, Roanoke Rapids and Rodger A. Cook, Roanoke Rapids.

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The energy of the sun, he reported to the American Association for the Advancement of Science, can be used to produce a wide variety of foods and fuels from unsuspected sources.

Dr. Daniels found that "comforting" in the light of current "unequal distribution among the nations of the world due to war and political shortsightedness."

These are some of the things he foresees: fuel alcohol from wood and corn stalks, sugar from seaweed, motor fuel from a combination of carbon monoxide and hydrogen obtained from waste products.

Sees Great Need For 'Teach School Week'

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AFL Will Fight To Defeat Eight GOP Aspirants

Washington, Sept. 15 — (AP) — The Republican high command stepped up its senatorial campaign today, spurred by an AFL challenge and confidential reports that Democrats now threaten four key GOP seats.

Senator Capehart of Indiana told a reporter he has accepted an invitation to join Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's western tour next week to help the GOP presidential nominee give what aid he can to the party's Senate candidates.

The Indiana Senator said it will be his job to see that the GOP nominees in Iowa, Colorado and New Mexico get together with the New York governor for strategy conferences. He predicted that an "overwhelming" victory for Dewey will help the Republicans retain control of the Senate.

They hold there now is slim, with only a 51 to 45 margin over the Democrats—a margin that would be overturned if the GOP suffers a net loss of four seats.

The AFL served notice yesterday that it intends to fight for the defeat of at least eight Republican senatorial candidates, as well as 113 House aspirants. Because of their stand on the Taft-Hartley law, the AFL blacklisted these Republicans:

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