



Arrow points to where midget films of secret State Department papers were found in hollow pumpkin on Whitakers Chambers' farm at Westminster, Md. According to his wife, Chambers, a Time Magazine editor, led two investigators from the House Un-American Activities Committee to the small pumpkin patch, reached down and picked up a pumpkin from the microfilms were cached and handing it to one of the men said, 'Is this what you want?' Chief Investigator Robert E. Striplin said evidence is available singling out the persons who passed on the government secrets which were found on the farm. The evidence will be presented when investigation is reopened today. (AP Wirephoto).



Old Father Roanoke Says:

As promised yesterday, this is Old Father Roanoke IV. Jiggs, disappointed in not being able to rescue his secret passion, either one of the Ingram twins, is today trudging his way down to Langford's. His fateful package, (which contains some high explosive, I'd say) won't be known till tomorrow's column. If nothing happens before...

others of being him. The police finally had to be called to quiet the shouting. The two suspects finally calmed the other three, convincing them they were innocent of "The Crime of Being Old Father Roanoke." The winning argument was: "Why should anyone from Weldon do all that writing about Roanoke Rapids, especially when Weldon is the older and better town. In fact, the Halifax County Aristocracy lives in Weldon and Halifax. The old families in Halifax speak to the old families in Weldon; the latter speak only to God. Halifax and Weldonites sniff at mention of Roanoke Rapids. Where was Roanoke Rapids when George Washington was attending Masonic meetings down Halifax way. There are no old families in Roanoke Rapids."

Cafe Operator Pays Costs In Beer-Sale Case

Charles Thanos, proprietor of the Rosemary Cafe, was charged with costs of court and warned against any further offenses after he had entered a plea of guilty to a charge of selling beer on Sunday in Mayor's court before Mayor W. Bernard Allsbrook here yesterday.

Mayor Allsbrook suspended judgment, including a fine of \$50 and revocation of beer license, on Thanos, and warned him that if city policemen heard of any more cases where beer was sold in the cafe the sentence would be imposed. Policemen T. J. Glosson and P. C. Luter testified they had seen one of the waitresses in the restaurant serve beer to two customers, and Thanos admitted the beer had been served, saying it was an "accident." The mayor asked several police officers present in the courtroom if they had received any complaints about beer being sold in Thanos' establishment on Sundays and a number of them answered they had.

Flack Answers Kerr Scott, Says He Will Stay Put

Raleigh, N. C., (P)—Governor-Elect Kerr, Scott's request for the resignations of two state officials drew fire from one of them yesterday. Charles Z. Flack, chief clerk of the State Utilities Commission, indicated he intends to stay in his post and criticized Scott for asking him to step down.

Commissioners Appoint Three As Armory Governing Board Members

Halifax—The question of who is running the Roanoke Rapids Armory came to the fore again here yesterday, as the Halifax County Board of Commissioners met for their first time since the November election. A delegation of Veterans of Foreign War Post members appeared before the Board and requested that they be allowed to start their dances again in the Armory, as they had done before the Armory was turned back to the National Guard unit.

Monday morning to give the lost takers their instructions. List takers appointed by the Board are the following: I. A. Crawley, Brinkleyville; Mrs. Robert Clark, Butterwood; J. R. Edmondson, Connaconara; T. W. Gray of Enfield; H. O. Hux, Fayetteville; J. G. Butts, Halifax; H. C. Morris, Littleton; Robert Aushon, Palmyra; A. E. Akers, Roanoke Rapids; H. C. Bass, Roanoke Neck; and Mrs. J. T. Madrey, Weldon.

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Weather

North Carolina — Partly cloudy weather, mild today and Wednesday and not so cool tonight; likely occasional showers Wednesday.

Daily Herald

Marshall Has Major Surgery This Morning

Washington, Dec. 7—(P)—Secretary of State Marshall underwent a kidney operation today at Walter Reed Hospital.



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Hiss-Chambers Spy Hunt Probe Still Under Way

New York, Dec. 7—(AP)—Another day of questioning before a spy-hunting Federal Grand Jury today confronted Whitaker Chambers, confessed courier for a pre-war Communist espionage ring.

Tojo, Others To Get Stay Of Execution

Tokyo, Dec. 7—(P)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur reiterated today that former Premier Hideki Tojo and six other condemned Japanese warlords will live until the Supreme Court of the United States acts on appeals before it.

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Roanoke Reaches 40.1 Crest At Weldon; High Water Of Year Predicted By DeMots

Two Youths Sentenced, Third On Probation In Auto Larceny

Halifax — Two Roanoke Rapids youths drew prison sentences in Superior Court here yesterday after they had pleaded guilty to a charge of the larceny of an automobile, and a third youth implicated on the same charge was placed on probation.

Reds Encircle Suchow Troops In Tight Trap

Nanking, China, Dec. 7—(P)—Government sources admitted today that Communist armies have encircled 110,000 Nationalist combat troops on the central China front southwest of Suchow.

L. E. Draper, Jr., who was sentenced to five-to-seven years in the State penitentiary on two charges of breaking and entering and larceny and was placed on five years' probation by Judge Chester Morris in the October term of Superior Court here, was given a two-to-three year sentence on the automobile larceny charge here yesterday by Judge R. Hunt Parker. The sentence imposed in the other case was invoked, however the two terms were ordered to be served concurrently.

Eldred Strickland, who drew a two to three year sentence suspended under five years' probation in the October term, was also sentenced to a similar prison term under the other case. In both cases Strickland had pleaded guilty to the larceny of an automobile. Strickland's sentences were also ordered to run concurrently.

A third member of the trio, Richard Gilliland, charged with the theft of the car belonging to Cleveland Harris of Emporia, Va., was given a two-to-three year sentence, but judgment was suspended on condition that Gilliland remain of good behavior under a three-year probation period. Gilliland was also ordered to pay the sum of \$100 to Harris plus one-third of court costs in the action.

Eight or nine Red columns, commanded by General Chen Yi, were said to have completed the encirclement of this former Su-chow garrison. The trap was sprung about 50 miles southwest of their former base.

Civil officials, evacuated from Suchow with the troops, were reported hampering operations of the encircle armies.

The government sources' confirmation of Communist reports came shortly after Nationalist forces announced they had abandoned two towns on the northern front to Reds marching toward Peiping. The bulk of Chen Yi's forces were reported concentrated south of the government pocket to prevent an attempted breakthrough in an effort to contact the encircled Twelfth Army group.

Weldon — The rain-swollen Roanoke River this morning had risen again to a peak of 40.1 feet, it was reported by Weather Observer Luke M. Shearin today, and the water was said to be still rising.

The peak this morning was on two-tenths of a foot under the 40.3 peak reached last week, and it seemed certain that the high-water mark might exceed last week's high along the river bank, possibly flooding some property.

From Raleigh Garrett DeMots, head of the State Weather Bureau forecast a crest of 44 feet at Weldon — some 13 feet in flood. He said after a depth of 42 feet is passed here the water begins backing up into several industrial plants.

Water were no reports of any water damage in the Weldon-Roanoke Rapids area today available from any of the owners of industrial property. Last week when the river reached its high mark for the year there was some farm property covered by the water, but damage was reported to be minor.

Observer Shearin said unless there were more rain in the headwaters of the rivers there was little likelihood that the crest this week would be much higher than that reported last week, when a 42-foot crest was expected from Raleigh.

DeMots said the Roanoke is expected to reach a depth of 35 feet at Scotland Neck on Thursday, seven feet over its flood stage, and 15 feet at Williamston next Monday, five feet in flood.

Heavy weekend rains contributed to the rising river again, and heavy drainage of the Virginia watershed where the headwaters of the Roanoke River are located was given as the contributing factor for the river's rise again here this week.

Services Held For Weldon Man

Weldon—Funeral services were conducted this afternoon in Morehead City for Robert Craig Friends Cornwall, 59, of Weldon, who died at his home on Sunday afternoon after a long illness.

ROANOKE RAMBLINGS

By PAT NANTZ

The many friends of Mrs. Tom Joyner will be interested to know that she gave birth to a baby boy on Saturday, December 4 at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

Jack Erwin, who has been in McQuire General Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, since last Monday is reported to be in better condition now after having undergone an operation on Wednesday of last week. He is expected to be at his home on Hamilton street by this weekend.

Friends of Gilbert Draper will be interested to know that he is in the local hospital with malaria fever.

isn't the half of it... Mrs. Moore if you recall when the annuals come out, that Lewis (or Bug, as we know him) wore dungarees and a sweat shirt that day, don't be alarmed when you see him dressed as well as could be expected of Adolph Menjou... it just happens that he has a friend, name of Herbert "Bootsie" Moore who was willing to let Bug borrow his shirt and tie for the striking of his beauty... the photographer finally had to remark to the boys that their clothes sure got around; he had photographed different boys, but the same clothes...

You should have seen the expressions on the faces of the people, when they passed some of the high school students yesterday who were on their way to school... they couldn't believe their eyes when they saw the boys with white shirts and ties... and the girls with simple blouses, skirts and sweaters. The explanation however, is very simple... Miss Jesse Helen Belche, faculty advisor for the annual staff, sent out word Friday that pictures would be taken Monday and Tuesday for the annual, and for the students to please look half civilized. So, they all spent the weekend looking for ties, sweaters, suits and skirts to fit the occasion... some, however, required more time to find than others, and yesterday when the fateful moment arrived, they desperately confessed to Miss Belche that they had no luck in finding suitable wearing apparel in which to make a picture for a high school annual... So if, when you see one of the 1949 Ro-Raps, you notice that the tie that Jesse Harrell, Jr., has on looks like the one that Walter Hargrove is wearing, and Edelyn Hubbard's resemble it slightly too, it is because it first belonged to Jesse, who loaned it to Walter, and he in turn loaned it to Edelyn... and that

A Negro preacher walked into the office of a newspaper in North Carolina, and said: "Misto Edito", this is forty-three of my congregation which subscribe to yo' Saddy issue?" "Sit down and write," said the editor. "I thank you." And this is the notice the minister wrote: "Mount Memorial Baptist Church, the reverend John Davis, pastor. Preaching morning and evening. In the promulgation of the gospel, three books is necessary: The Bible, the hymn book, and the pocketbook. Come tomorrow and bring all three."

15 Shopping Days Until Christmas



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