

TRIAL
The jury's verdict in the Greenville lynching trial is "the product of an ingrained prejudice," News Editor Harry Ashmore says in an editorial in today's issue. Turn to the editorial page for his analysis of the trial and verdict.

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GOP Budget Cut Claim Disputed By Democrats

Bridges Sticks To Guns, However

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Democrats disputed today a Republican contention that the GOP-controlled Congress has cut President Truman's budget for the year beginning July 1 by ordering immediate payment of Commodity Credit Corporation liabilities.

Sen. George, Democrat, Georgia, told a reporter he does not think the Republicans achieved even a paper reduction by rushing through Congress a rider ordering that the C.C.C. be paid \$41,822,000 in CCC notes, representing losses on war food subsidy payments.

But Chairman Bridges, Republican, New Hampshire, of the Senate Appropriations Committee stuck to his guns that passage of the measure has reduced the President's \$37,500,000 budget. He noted that Mr. Truman listed as an expenditure \$60,000,000 to reimburse the New Hampshire Senator for as an expenditure in reaching his total.

Bridges told a reporter a \$641,822,000 fund transfer the Republicans got through Congress yesterday by some financial footwork "will be paid." But he added the proposed \$1,000,000 cutback in old appropriations will be needed to make the savings the Senate has pledged.

"I believe we can show a reduction of \$1,000,000 from the President's \$37,500,000 figure if we can hold the economy down," Bridges said, "but the culture and other appropriations that are coming along."

The old appropriations which the Republicans hope to cut represent money which the Congress approved in advance for actual expenditures. Bridges said that July 1. The process of retaining some of this money for the Treasury already has been going forward with several bills carrying "riders" of the previous appropriations. Bridges said he expects which agencies are to feel the pinch of the new economy act.

PAYMENTS SPREAD

The Federal budget is based on actual payments made out of the Treasury and thus does not always tally with appropriations. This is because Congress sometimes makes the payments over more than one fiscal year.

On this expenditure basis the Mr. Truman's budget of additional appropriations. At the time the Congress, without a word of debate, approved a routine deficiency act.

Mrs. Truman 'Very Weak'

GRANDVIEW, Mo.—(AP)—President Truman's "very weak" mother showed no improvement today, although she is expected to remain here indefinitely unless there is a decided change for the better.

Mr. Truman told reporters at 9:30 A. M. (EST) that Mrs. Truman's condition was "just about same" this morning and that she "didn't have a very good night."

WEATHER

Partly cloudy today, with scattered thunderstorms Saturday followed by clearing Sunday.

Temperature at 2:30 today... 85
High and low last 24 hours... 85-64
Sunrise tomorrow... 5:12
Moonset tomorrow... 11:12



DEFENDANTS CELEBRATE ACQUITTAL IN LYNCHING—Some of the 28 men acquitted in the lynching of Willie Earle, a Negro, celebrate in the courtroom at Greenville, S. C., after the jury's verdict was announced. Left to right: Roosevelt Carlos Hurd Sr., W. D. Oakley (left foreground), Johnny Willmon, John C. (Fat) Joy (rear with hand raised), Paul F. Griggs Jr. (right with hand raised), and Marvin H. Fleming (lower right corner). The Negro was taken from jail at nearby Pickens and killed by a mob after his arrest for questioning in the fatal stabbing of T. W. Brown, Greenville taxicab driver. (AP Wirephoto).

Judge Speaks Out Lynching Verdict Called 'Atrocity'

SAN FRANCISCO—(AP)—Declaring that he was "gravely disturbed," Superior Judge Sylvain J. Lazarus told the crowd in his courtroom that acquittal of lynch trial defendants in Greenville, S. C., was "an instance of atrocity and injustice deserving the attention of all decent American people."

He made his comment just before adjournment of his court yesterday, shouting: "This is a grave matter, ladies and gentlemen, or else I would not be mentioning it in this court room... Remember, my friends, this discrimination against the colored people in the Southern states, this bigotry which is displayed not alone by the population of the South but by good many of their representatives of the Congress, is not shorted by the purpose of emphasizing, and underlining, the Negro who is lynched."

The Negro who was lynched, the judge pointed out, had not been convicted of any crime in any court of justice. "He was snatched out of the hands of the officers of the law by these White Russians—I use the term 'White Russians' for the purpose of emphasis—and tortured and murdered."

Assuming that the lynching trial was conducted fairly, he declared, "makes it all the worse, because it indicates, stronger than ever, by very contrast, the utter disregard of the law and justice on the part of the general population, the citizenry of the State of South Carolina."

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"We have the world outside can help them only through the painful process of economic aid to relieve their poverty and of education to lift the ignorance and bigotry of this poverty-producing South."

In Kentucky, the Louisville Courier-Journal said the acquittals were "the sort of thing that in effect continues, in the face of reason, to deny that the South is part of the United States. But the South is part of the United States x x x"

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Agriculture Department Slash Urged

32 Per Cent Cut Recommended

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The House Appropriations Committee swung its economy axe at the Agriculture Department today, recommending a 32 per cent budget cut.

In sending to the House floor an \$871,457,876 bill to finance the Department for the year starting July 1, the Committee chopped \$281,472,442 from President Truman's budget estimate.

The amount approved is \$487,542,430 less than the Department had to spend this year. It includes \$225,000,000 in loan authorizations and \$10,410 in permanent appropriations.

The cuts, if upheld by the House after debate next week, will boost to slightly more than \$2,000,000,000 the total reductions made by the House in its drive to cut \$4,000,000,000 from the President's \$73,500,000,000 budget for 1948.

"BOOKKEEPING" CUT
This is exclusive of a surprise \$442,000,000 "bookkeeping" cut written into a deficiency appropriation bill by the Senate Appropriations Committee and passed by both houses without a word of debate earlier this week.

The House Committee acted on the Agriculture Bill after a week of closed door hearings and after Secretary Anderson insisted that any reductions would impair essential farm services. The estimates submitted, Anderson claimed, were "rock-bottom minimums."

But the Committee rejected this contention and said in its report that the bill's objective is to make "selective reductions" based upon present and future needs of agriculture.

MAJOR CUTS
The Committee's major cuts were directed at the Farmers Home Administration, an offshoot of the War Relocation Authority, the Soil Conservation Service, the crop insurance program, and the farm credit program.

The school lunch program was cut from \$75,000,000 to \$45,000,000. The farm credit program was cut from \$1,000,000,000 to \$500,000,000. The crop insurance program was cut from \$1,000,000,000 to \$500,000,000. The farm credit program was cut from \$1,000,000,000 to \$500,000,000.

Wallace Arrives In Northwest

SEATTLE—(AP)—Henry A. Wallace arrived in the Pacific Northwest on his cross-country speaking tour for three of five scheduled Washington State appearances today.

Arriving shortly before midnight, Wallace displayed enthusiasm over his "tremendous reception everywhere."

The former vice president of the United States, who is touring the Northwest, is expected to spend two days in Seattle, one day in Tacoma, and one day in Portland.

Describing the acquittal as "national disgrace," the Denver Post said the acquittal was "a national disgrace which has led to the demand for a Federal anti-lynching law."

The Charlotte News said: "The failure of the jury, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch said: 'Justice for all men is a vain acceptance. It will prevail when 12 jurors can be found who will neither be misled nor frightened by the threat of history.'

No Clues To Whereabouts Discovered

Northampton Area Searched For Man Accused Of Criminal Assault

JACKSON—(AP)—Sheriff A. C. Stephenson of Northampton County said today Godwin (Buddy) Bush, 24-year-old Negro, was taken from the county jail here at 2 A. M. this morning by a group of masked, armed men.

The Negro was being held in the jail on a charge of attempted criminal assault, the Sheriff said: "I am afraid that a lynching has taken place."

The Negro had been arrested after a young married woman at Rich Square, twelve miles from here, reported an attempt had been made to assault her as she was walking home about 10 P. M.

No clue to his whereabouts has been discovered, the Sheriff said, since he was taken away by the band which the officer reported was made up of white men from the northeastern part of North Carolina, is approximately 400 miles from Greenville, S. C., where a jury Wednesday night acquitted 28 men accused of lynching a Negro.

Jailer E. W. Edwards gave the sheriff the following account of the seizure:

"I locked up my prisoners about 9 o'clock and went to bed. I heard a knock on my door and I answered it. A half dozen masked men, all armed with guns, met me."

"They went through the jail and took this Negro. They told me that that was their price."

CHERRY ORDERS PROBE

In Raleigh, Gov. R. Gregg Cherry ordered State Bureau of Investigation agents and highway patrolmen to the area.

"I will not condone lynchings or play of this kind as long as I am Governor," he declared. "I have instructed all the State's agencies to investigate this immediately, if there is any evidence of foul play."

The News-Herald at nearby Mooresboro quoted the jailer as saying that the masked men asked for the Negro and said: "Deliver him or else."

Edwards was quoted as saying he went to the rear of the two-story building, unlocked a cell and turned over the Negro to the trio, who marched their captive into the street, where they were joined by a small group of men.

The Negro was arrested in Rich Square last night by Patrolman Frank Outland and charged with attempted assault upon the young white woman.

The Herald-News said that the young woman, a stenographer for a motor company, was en route to a movie when she was chased by a Negro. High school boys heard her screams and dashed to her aid. They were quoted as identifying Bush after his capture some time later by Patrolman Outland.

Outland took the prisoner to the county jail, shortly before last midnight.

The Herald-News quoted Jailer Edwards as saying he could see only the eyes of the three masked men, and that he could recognize none of them. He said they carried what appeared to be .38 caliber automatic pistols.

The last attempt at lynching in North Carolina, according to a quick check of The News's files, was in 1942 at Roxboro, where five white men stormed the jail in an unsuccessful attempt to seize a Negro accused of criminal assault. The men subsequently were convicted of a charge of unlawful assembly and fined.

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Yugoslavia Blamed For Civil War In Greece

Balkan Fighting Threat To Peace

GENEVA—(AP)—The Balkans investigating commission today held Yugoslavia primarily to blame for support of guerrilla warfare in Greece. The Commission sent a formal report to the United Nations Security Council recommending that the UN condemn as a threat to peace the support of armed bands violating Balkan frontiers.

The section of the report critical of Yugoslavia said that Albania and Bulgaria were contributing factors to the lesser degree in supporting the guerrillas, and that conditions in Greece were a contributing factor. The vote on this section was 8 to 2 with Russia and Poland lined up against the United States, Britain, China, Belgium, Australia, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, France, Greece, and Italy.

9 TO 2 VOTE
The Commission's general conclusion—that support of frontier-violating bands should be considered a menace to world peace, and subject to U. N. action—was reached by a 9 to 2 vote, with Russia and Poland opposed.

Along with the 28-page final report, the Commission's report on the investigation of Greek frontier incidents, the Commission members also ordered transmitted to the Security Council more than 10,000 pages of records and documents relating to the investigation.

The report to the Council said: "In the light of the evidence investigated by it in the area, the Commission believes that the support of armed bands formed on the territory of one state for the purpose of attacking another state, or of the refusal by a Government, in spite of the demands of the states concerned, to take all possible measures on its own territory to prevent the formation, arming or protection, should be considered by the Security Council as a threat to peace within the meaning of the charter of the United Nations."

Report Faces Tough Sledding In U. N.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—(AP)—The United Nations Balkan Investigation Commission report today in Geneva is headed for rough sledding in the Security Council. There is a definite prospect that Soviet Russia might object to the recommendation of the Balkan Allies.

Battle lines on the report already have been drawn in the Council, where Russia and Poland stand against any moves to condemn Yugoslavia. Albania and Bulgaria in the Balkan border dispute.

The commission is expected to arrive with its mass of documents early in June and the fight will open to keep this controversy from furthering to hold up further discussion on the whole affair until the Security Council was taken up.

Rubinstein Petition Denied By Judge

NEW YORK—(AP)—Judge Rubinstein's petition to avoid deportation was denied today by the 30-month sentence for draft evasion has been denied by Federal Judge Knott.

Referring to the FBI file on the 38-year-old Russian born Russian, Judge Knott said: "The evidence would be an undesirable person who would be a danger to the community and it is not in the public interest to keep him here."

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