

Sports Editor Ray Howe is in Greensboro for a preview of next week's golf tournament here. The spotlight in the State City tournament are headed for Charlotte and next week's Myers Park Tourney. Mr. Howe's report is in the sports section.

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U. S. Reversal On Palestine Partition Storm

Jews May Proclaim Republic In Holy Land

Surprise Action Hailed By Arabs

By LARRY HAUCK
LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y. — (AP) — America's about-face on Palestine whipped up a world storm today but U. S. sources expressed confidence the United Nations will accept the sudden proposal to abandon partition.

The answer by Palestine's Jews was to proclaim a Hebrew Republic. Arabs hailed the American turnabout as a victory for them against Zionism, but made it clear they were nothing but an independent Arab state.

The proposal by Chief Delegate Warren R. Austin for temporary emergency laws to govern the so-called Jewish zone was greeted with consternation in London, in Washington and among Jews throughout the world.

Austin's plea came with dramatic suddenness. He asked yesterday for a special session of the U. N. assembly to approve the interim plan and consider a permanent one. He provided the Security Council endorse the interim plan and urge the partitioning of the Holy Land.

The partition commission already has an advance party in the Holy Land. The United Nations Commission for Palestine is expected to arrive in the Holy Land today. It is expected to arrive in the Holy Land today. It is expected to arrive in the Holy Land today.

A British Cabinet report for Monday, meanwhile, the British Foreign Office said it will never agree to the League said in Lebanon that the Arabs might agree to a short, limited emergency period. He said it might even be possible to reach agreement with the Jews.

While an accomplice held the owner and a clerk in a back room, they may have on several occasions — practically giving the staff.

Turning of the job, he called the owner to walk on four customers and made the same payment for the first time.

The plane, filed with \$300 after spending half an hour in the store.

The Explosion Of Spring



Spring came to Charlotte at 11:57 today. Temperatures in the eighties ushered it in. Typical of the omni-present beauties of the season was this

It's Official, Too Spring Arrives—And How

By TOM SCHLESINGER, Charlotte News Staff Writer
The citizens looked on the shabby green benches in front of the Public Library this morning were lucky. They didn't need a calendar to know that Spring had come to Charlotte. They had felt the new warmth

in the air, had watched the shaggy white masses of cumulus clouds wander casually along sky tracks had noted the uneasy excitement of nature. The staff of experts inside the Public Library, however, had to be shown. They had been taught that Spring came each

To Recall Marshall Action Postponed On Aid For China

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today postponed action until Monday on the \$70,000,000 China aid bill.

Vandenberg said the committee talked over the measure but arrived at no decision. He did not comment on the action of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, splitting China aid into \$40,000,000 for economic relief, and \$30,000,000 for military supplies.

5 Killed In Plane Blast

BONNEVILLE, Pa. (AP)—At least five persons were killed today in the mid-air explosion of a two-engine transport 10 miles from this mountainous western Pennsylvania community.

State police reported they found the bodies of two women and three men. State Police Capt. Andrew J. Hudock said: "There may be more bodies. We don't know. The bodies were blown all over the place."

Hudock said one victim had been identified as George H. Armitage of Providence, R. I. He was believed to be the ship's pilot.

The committee approved its single package foreign aid bill late yesterday, it is to be. That was the end of the deadline. Republican leaders had set for committee action.

Mine Owners Ask Empire In Dispute

Court Petition Filed In Capital

WASHINGTON (AP)—Coal operators today asked the Federal District Court to name an umpire for the miners' pension dispute that has caused a nation-wide strike.

Action came shortly after Mines' Chief John L. Lewis had agreed to meet with soft coal operators to make an attempt to reach a strike settlement.

The court petition sought appointment of a neutral member of a three-man board which administers a \$30,000,000 pension trust.

The other two members are Lewis and Ezra Van Horn, leading negotiator for the mine owners.

Lewis said representatives of the operators.

Lewis said, however: "It is impolite to assume that any progress will be made at your Monday meeting, as these men (negotiators for the operators) merely carry out the instructions of their principals."

Lewis plainly accepted the invitation with reluctance. He said he did not want to avoid any difficulties.

The mine union chief did not say whether he would appear in person at the conference. He said a "representative committee" would be named from the United Mine Workers.

The coal walkout has spread in a widening area, including the bituminous industry. It has caused the shutdown of steel and other industries.

9-State Area Hit Storm Death Toll

Mounts Over 50

CHICAGO — (AP) — The death toll mounted to more than 50 today in the series of gales which whipped across the area yesterday.

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Western Powers Ask Big Change In Treaty

Seen As Major Strategic Move

WASHINGTON (AP)—United States, Britain and France today proposed the return of Trieste to Italy through a major revision of the Italian peace treaty.

The proposal was made on behalf of the American Government to the Italian and Italian embassies here at 10 A. M. EST. Trieste is an important port city and ship building center on the Adriatic Sea between Italy and Yugoslavia.

The Italian peace treaty, Trieste was established as a free port under the protection of the United Nations.

Today's joint announcement of the Western powers said this plan for independent Trieste is not working out very well.

It said Yugoslavia already has virtually occupied that area of territory occupied by Yugoslav troops.

The proposal to "place the free territory of Trieste once more under Italian sovereignty" apparently is a major move by the Western powers to reverse the Trieste situation.

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One More Sought In Butler Shooting

City Detectives Continued to Check Every Possible Tip

City detectives continued to check every possible tip today in an effort to track down a young man named Jesse E. Smith Jr. for questioning in the pre-dawn shooting of Attorney Amon M. Butler yesterday.

Officers got in touch with Smith's father and a neighbor in his home town, Jacksonville, Ga. Detectives also contacted local authorities in their search for the man who is under suspicion as the hold-up bandit who shot the Charleston lawyer.

Leo Stetson, 20, is already under arrest on suspicion of the shooting and shooting of Mr. Butler about 3:30 a. m. yesterday morning near the Sixth and Church Streets intersection.

Stetson, in a signed statement, claimed that he helped a man, known to him only as "Red," to conduct the hold-up. He contended that he was not involved in engineering the robbery plan, and that "Red" was the man who shot the lawyer.

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Partly cloudy and warmer this afternoon. Continued warm tomorrow.

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