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Mostly cloudy and continued
rain tonight and Thursday, with
showers beginning tonight.
Colder Thursday night.
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Council Notes of Ask 20 More Housing Units

Issue Is Bitterly Debated

Total Of 600 To Be Sought

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Another compromise authorizing 600 public housing units was voted today by the City Council after floundering around on varied proposals that ranged through 700 and 800 up to 1,000.

The vote came at 1 P. M. after a morning devoted to further discussion of the merits and demerits of public housing, with real estate men arguing against additional public housing and representatives of the Charlotte Housing Authority in favor of more units for the "poor people."

The rough and tumble talk went on until the Council was marked by a flare-up by Mayor Shaw and Councilman Ernest Wilkinson, a real estate man and consistent opponent of public housing.

The Mayor after the vote to approve the 600 units (400 more than the 200 authorized by an earlier resolution), arose to make a statement. He said he "didn't think the 600 units will help one iota."

Mr. Wilkinson made an apparently spot, Mr. Shaw turned to Mr. Wilkinson and declared, "I am not going to identify myself with any more of your yampha. If you want to make a statement you can, but I don't keep anything at everything I say."

Mr. Wilkinson made no reply. Then the Mayor went on to say that he felt the additional units would not materially affect the present acute housing situation here. He said he would believe it will help one iota.

After an extended discussion in which numerous real estate representatives spoke in opposition, the Council moved to vote with a resolution introduced by Councilman W. I. Coddington for 600 additional units, or a total of 1,600. This was seconded by Councilman L. A. Albee.

Quickly Councilman Basil M. Moore rose to offer a substitute, asserting that he would believe four votes could be gotten for the 1,000 units. He moved that the total number be set at 600 units. This was seconded by Councilman James H. Greener. Then, the various proposals started popping.

But neither of these suggestions got a second and after a back and forth discussion, Mr. Boyd's substitute motion was carried and the vote was four to three.

'Urban Redevelopment' Cities Must Unite

If New Grant Slum Clearance Funds

By TOM FESFARMER
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(Last in a Series)

A BILL which would enable Charlotte and other North Carolina cities to clear out such slums as Brooklyn, and turn the land into better uses, was killed in the State Legislature early this year. Meanwhile, the state is surrounded by states which have development enabling acts, so that South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia can share in Federal assistance.

Real estate interests defied the bill in a committee hearing. They quickly studied the bill, concluded that it would cost too much money in public housing authorities, and they fought the legislation. At the hearing, a representative of the League of Municipalities was set to speak on behalf of Charlotte and other slum-ridden cities interested in the city's future.

He was so out-numbered, and possibly overwhelmed by the opponents that he remarked that he was attending the hearing only as an observer.

No Time To Round Up Support

THERE was no organized effort among North Carolina cities to get the bill introduced. It was a surprise and a mystery to some municipal officials as it was to be introduced in the legislature.

For instance, in Charlotte James B. Marshall, who is extraordinarily interested in the city's future, heard about the bill a few days earlier, and tried to round up some organized support.

But the organization didn't get quickly enough. J. E. Berrentine, a local real estate man and one of the leaders in Charlotte's slum-clearance program, said he and others opposed the bill. He said that he would not be introduced at Raleigh.

This particular bill, he said, was sent down from Washington. It was primarily a housing bill, but it placed emphasis on the construction of public housing.

Realtors Eye Link With Housing Suspiciously

THE bill did not provide for public hearings on condemnation of property, and that was opposed by real estate men.

The bill would place control of the redevelopment program in housing authorities, and that would place emphasis on private enterprises, Mr. Berrentine said.

Vandenberg Asks Cutoff Foreign Aid

Senator Gives Views On Policy

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) called today for continued economic and military aid to Western Europe, but said it should be on a "sharply reduced" scale.

Vandenberg, who wields great influence on Republican foreign policy stands, also told the news conference that the Communist regime in China does not meet these requirements.

Full diplomatic recognition should be granted to the Franco Government in Spain.

The bipartisan foreign policy involves no "hot-iron" on the part of the Republicans since it is open to vigorous debate while decisions are in the process of being made.

The objective of the Republican objective is to restore the American system to safe foundations, before it is too late, and to create dependable programs with national solvency and individual freedom.

Vandenberg returned to Washington yesterday. It was his first trip to more than 30 states.

SEN. VANDENBERG

visit to the capital since he underwent a lung operation last October.

In calling for reduced aid to Western Europe, he said he believes the aid should be in the form of self-help abroad to assume greater and more effective responsibility.

Two such programs are being prepared, require total economies all along the line.

Presents Lacking From Yugoslavia Reds Observe Stalin's Birthday

LONDON (AP)—Communists in the world over paid extravagant tribute to Great Britain's Stalin today as the patron saint of Communism. Millions celebrated the Russian ruler's 70th birthday.

Observation of the most tremendous celebration ever devised for one man spread from Moscow over nearly half the world.

Waterside under Communist rule sent glowing pledges to the British Stalin, promising greater production, greater loyalty, greater struggle for peace and greater progress of Communism's enemies.

Birthday gifts poured into Moscow in an unending stream of fruit, cars, trucks, cars, suits and sleighs.

In fact to demonstrate who loved the mysterious man with the pipe and the heavy mustache, the world's Communist leaders even lowered into a frenzy of competition against each other in rivalry of the traditional preparations for

Testifies In Own Behalf

Secretary of State Francis B. Sayre never led such groups or were Communist.

Testifying in his own defense for the third day, he flatly contradicted the story of his chief counsel, Whitaker Chambers, who named him as a member of the group.

Hiss Denies Heading Red Unit

Secretary of State Francis B. Sayre never led such groups or were Communist.

He also denied that his brother, Donald, was a member of the Communist Party, or former Assistant Secretary of State Francis B. Sayre never led such groups or were Communist.

President Speaks Of 'Captives'

Says People Of World Want Peace

By D. HAROLD OLIVER
WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman said today there would never be another war if the peoples of the world, "sick of blood-letting," could have their way.

But while captive peoples "are made to our handiwork with a mangled fist, we have no choice but to stand ready in self-defense," he declared.

The President spoke at Arlington College memorial to the war dead from the American Veterans of World War I. He addressed a group of many nations, and high ranking military and civilian officials were in the audience.

It was only coincidence that Mr. Truman spoke on the birthday of Soviet Russia's President Stalin and he did not mention Russia in ALLIANCE PLAIN.

But allusions to the Russian threat to peace were plain and repeated. They were clear, too, in a brief address from the Russian Ambassador to the United States, Gerasimov, the dean of the diplomatic corps.

The ambassador said those who died in the war should know that freedom would not be restored to the world until they were in a state of "sick of blood-letting." He added: "I am sure that freedom will prevail, those who come after them will be able to stand up, and return the same way if God will, the free world should ever again be challenged by a military dictatorship."

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Russia Quits Tokyo Council

TOKYO (AP)—Russia angrily stalked out of the Allied four-power council for Japan today rather than discuss Soviet failure to complete repatriation of Japanese war prisoners.

By the walkout, the eight-man Russian delegation avoided hearing Gen. MacArthur's conclusion that 37,000 Japanese have died in treatment "in disregard from humanity."

Report On Five Per Centers Set

SHELY—P. Senator Clyde R. Hoey (D-N.C.) said today that the Senate investigating committee's report on its "five per center" hearings would be made shortly after Congress reconvenes next month.

Hoey conferred at his home here with William M. Rogers of Washington, chief counsel of the committee on the report. Their talks will continue through tomorrow.

The committee received several weeks ago.

Dynamite Fails To Go Off

DETROIT (AP)—Unknown plotters failed to blow up the headquarters of the International Brotherhood of Bricklayers last night, but it failed to go off.

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Coplon Trial Again Delayed

NEW YORK (AP)—The long-delayed spy conspiracy trial of Judith Coplon and Valentine A. Guitchev was postponed again today.

Ex-Government girl and the Russian spy were scheduled to go on trial Dec. 27 but Federal Judge Robert H. Taylor postponed the trial's start.

Ryan did not immediately set the trial's start. Ryan said the trial would be held in New York City.

Same Pistol Used In Two Cases Of Murder-Suicide

COVINGTON, Texas (AP)—A stocky, dark-haired youth died today after being shot in the head by a beautiful childhood sweetheart.

Now that pistol has figured in the murder of a young woman. Sheriff Garrison, "I think I'll take it and turn it in to the police."

George Clements, nineteen, pumped three bullets from the pistol into the young woman's head. She died instantly, said Sheriff Garrison.

Once Over Lightly

DETROIT (AP)—The Detroit Police Department today gave a once-over to a box containing 20 sticks of dynamite found on a little-used outside stairway leading to the IAW headquarters building today.

I've got one advantage over these young fellows. I don't have to do near as much to feel like I'm doing it. It always seems like to me that people making Xmas cards do a week before Xmas are getting things out of the way.

Shopping Days till Christmas