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Charlotte's Earl Wilson takes his position into Virginia Meys's New York hotel room today for an interview with the Standard. He is the first of the Standard's columnists every day in the News on the Eastern Page.

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UNION NATIONAL BANK OFFICERS PROMOTED



An outstanding banking career came to its climax when Union National Bank of Charlotte advanced H. M. Victor, founder, former president for many years and chairman for several years, to the newly created honorary chairmanship. Directors in annual meeting today also promoted other top ranking officers. Photographed here, seated, is Mr. Victor; also, standing, left to right, L. D. Brooks, executive vice-president, and Carl G. McCraw, president, from executive vice-president; George S. Crouch, board chairman, from president; and John N. Mills, executive vice-president, from vice-president.



Directors of the bank also granted promotions to seven prominent, younger bankers in its organization. Photographed here, left to right (seated): J. Russell Smith, assistant vice-president, from assistant cashier; John C. White, mortgage loan officer, from FHA loan department manager; W. J. Smith Jr., assistant vice-president, from assistant cashier; (standing) C. C. Hope Jr., L. D. Burkhead, assistant vice-president, from assistant cashier; Oscar Hill, note and discount officer, from transit department manager; and Herman Alley, assistant cashier, from mortgage loan department.

Bank Executives Promoted

McCraw Heads Union National

H. M. Victor, nationally known banker, was advanced today to honorary chairman of the board of Union National Bank of Charlotte, which he organized in June, 1908. Succeeding Mr. Victor as chairman of the board is George S. Crouch, who has been president of this bank since March, 1947, when he was promoted from senior vice-president to president of the Union National's directorate in annual meeting also advanced Carl G. McCraw from executive vice-president to the presidency. An additional executive vice-president was created by the board.

OUR WEATHER

Cloudy with occasional light rains and warmer tonight. Wednesday, considerable clouds and mild with occasional light rain. High temperature yesterday, 33 degrees; low this morning, 33 degrees. Sunrise, 7:32 A. M.; sunset, 5:38 P. M. Here—Weather Data on Page 9-A

TREATING FROSTBITE

If you're unfortunally enough to suffer from frostbite this winter—don't rub snow on it. The time-honored custom of rubbing snow on frostbitten parts is likely to cause gangrene, according to Dr. Robert Lemke and Harris Shumaker of Yale University. Nor is gunning of much help by continuous application of mild heat. Contrary to widespread popular belief, the doctors recommend warming as the best treatment. Along with this they found administering a chloride solution and an anti-biotic ointment best produced the best results.

Capt. Carlsen Still Confident

WITH THE FLYING ENTERPRISE CONVOY — Whitecaps splattered against the wallowing Flying Enterprise as the weather worsened this afternoon, but Capt. Kurt (Stay Put) Carlsen, optimistic as ever, shouted, "Everything is okay!" At 3 P. M. (10 A. M. EST) Carlsen's battered freighter was about 10 miles—less than a day's way from the safety of England's Portsmouth Harbor. If all goes well, it should be there about midday tomorrow. A wild outbreak of heavy waves in the usually placid British Isles awaits the dauntless skipper at the Cornish port. In addition to thousands of curious and a press and radio crew already up to 200 or so, Portsmouth

Politics Dominant As Session Opens

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST
WASHINGTON (AP)—Congress reconvened today for an election-year session certain to be studded with controversy over issues on which political fortunes will ride in next November's voting. The hanging of graves in Senate and House signaled the second meeting for the legislators who make up the 80th Congress—elected in 1950. They recessed their first session last Oct. 20. Vice-President Barkley, speaking in the Senate, and Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.) in the House called the changes into session promptly at the stroke of noon. Galleries were well filled with women predominating among the spectators. Only about half of the House members were on hand, but the Senate roll call showed 70-odd of the 96 Senators present.

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Needs Over 600

The GOP nominating meeting to be held in Chicago early in July will have slightly more than 1,200 delegates, with more than 600 votes needed for the nomination. None of the delegates has been formally chosen yet. Taft said a reporter he believes has obtained full lists of the delegates he has secured.

Charlotte News Editors Support Gen. Eisenhower

The editors of The Charlotte News today throw their support to the drive to win the Republican nomination for Dwight D. Eisenhower. Also on the editorial page is a collection of quotations from past Eisenhower speeches which sets forth his views on major issues of the day. You will be interested in this.

Evening Prayer

O Thou who art King of Kings and Lord of Lords, we pray Thee, give to the rulers of the world, understanding hearts, that they may judge between good and bad. Grant that they may love truth and righteousness, so that in their dealings one with another, they may live in peace. Amen.

NEW SOVIET BOSS?

GEORGE MALENKOV... Moscow's press left little doubt today that the successor to Joseph Stalin has been chosen and that he is the glowering scorpions of the Politburo, Georg Maximilianovich Malenkov. Extravagant praise was heaped on him on his 50th birthday. It is comparable only in the praise recorded Stalin himself. The greeting to him from the Communist Party and the Council of Ministers hails him as "co-ordinator of Stalin"—the highest possible praise in the USSR. It also credits him with having "forged victory for our homeland in the great war of the fatherland against the enemies of humanity." This is a development of extreme importance for the Western world, with broad implications for the future of international relations.

By Churchill And Truman

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CHILD CRAVED WATERMELONS AND GOT THEM

ANTIOCH, Calif. (AP)—Although out of season, watermelons are plentiful today at Dixie Kline's house. They arrived by plane, by car and by truck as a birthday present for the tiny girl, who celebrates her six— and probably her seventh— birthday today. She is dying of leukemia.

Polos Plead Guilty Of Spying For U.S.

WARSAW, Poland (AP)—A military court sentenced five Poles to death last night after they pleaded guilty to charges of being spies who went to Poland by the American intelligence service. Their trial lasted one day. Summing up the prosecutor accused the U. S. Embassy here of leading activities against Poland "since the very first day of diplomatic relations between the People's Poland and the United States."

15 Miners Killed In Norway Blasts

OSLO, Norway (AP)—Two violent explosions shook two separate coal mines in Norway's Spitsbergen Islands at an eleven-hour interval yesterday, killing fifteen miners. In the first explosion, at Store Norske Spitsbergen Coal Mine on the west coast, 11 men were killed and six workers were injured and three injured.

Important To The West

MALENKOV MAY SUCCEED STALIN

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst
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Boy Lost Since October Is Found Chained To Bed

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—A 10-year-old boy was found chained to a bed in a filthy house here today. Officers said the lad told them he was abused sexually by his father, who held him captive. An accused bank robber, charged with a \$20,000 holdup during the last robbery charge last night, Deputy Sheriff T. A. Callcott said Billiet later admitted kidnapping Richard Evan (Ricky) Hendrickson, 10, who had been missing since last October. Callcott said Billiet then led officers to the three-room house where the 14-year-old boy was held.

Car Theft Ring Smashed By FBI

WASHINGTON (AP)—The FBI announced today the arrest of eight persons in what it described as the smashing of an international series of car theft rings specializing in luxury automobiles. Seven were arrested in New York and one in Hoboken, N. J., and charged with interstate transportation of stolen motor vehicles. FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said the rings dealt in the latest spate of stolen cars in Cuba, Mexico, Venezuela, and other countries for prices as high as \$7,500.

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