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Gen. Lawton Refuses Talk At Hearing

Joint Planning Board Is Given City-County Nod

60-40 Expense Split
Decided By Boards

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After many months of discussing, planning, and even a little trading, councilmen and commissioners today gave the nod to a merger of the existing City and County Planning Boards.

Creation of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Board without a hitch, until the matter of finances came up.

At one time the most outspoken advocates of joint planning, Council Herbert H. Baxter and Commissioner Sam McInch, appeared fearful that the entire plan might fall through.



SEGREGATION ENDS in the federally-operated elementary school at Ft. Myer, Va., as two of the six Negro children who joined classes listen to instruction by Mrs. Louise M. Shee, third grade teacher. There are 380 pupils in the school. (AP Wirephoto)

In Courts, Legislatures

Segregation Fights Raging

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The issue of whites and Negroes attending the same public schools is being fought in the legislative halls and the courts today in Mississippi in the deep South to the nation.

A decision of the U.S. Supreme Court last spring outlawing school segregation touched off the controversy, especially in the South where segregation has been practiced back through the years and is required in several state constitutions.

Negroes yesterday petitioned the board of education in Montgomery County, N.C., to take steps toward ending segregation. The board said it would reply in 10 days, and indicated it would confer first with State Atty. Gen. Harry McMullan.

In Mississippi, the Legislature began work on plans to circumvent the Supreme Court ruling, sponsored by Gov. Hugh White's convening message yesterday that "We shall resist the decision by every legal means at our command."

A proposed constitutional amendment to Mississippi's 1890 constitution empowering the legislature to abolish public schools in a last ditch effort to retain segregation was introduced in both Houses.

Under the proposal state-owned school property could be leased, or turned over to individuals for private schools if the public schools are abolished. State money would be appropriated to pay tuition of pupils in the private system.

"We are simply exercising the legal right to resist," the NAACP exercised in contesting the NAACP's suit to prevent integration of white and Negro pupils when District of Columbia school opened.

The Federation of Citizens' Assns., an all-white organization, filed the suit contending that integration now is illegal because no

Ex-Monmouth CO Takes Army Advice

Senator's Defense
Rounds Opened

WASHINGTON (AP)—Maj. Gen. Kirke B. Lawton refused today to testify at the McCarthy censure hearings concerning a conversation with Brig. Gen. Ralph W. Zwicker. Sen. McCarthy's counsel accused the Army of "definitely gagging" the witness.

Lawton, in refusing to testify about the conversation, cited a presidential directive against disclosure of military conversations within the executive department of the government.

The retired general, a friend of McCarthy, was acting on advice he had obtained from "various counsel" at the Pentagon.

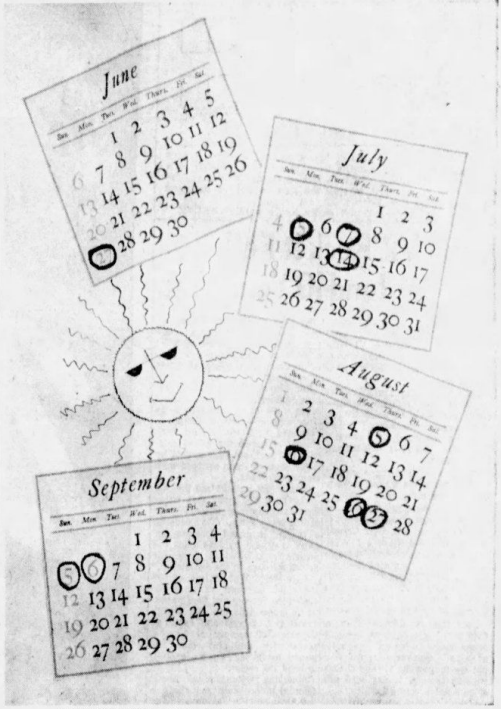
Edward Bennett Williams, McCarthy's executive department lawyer, said that any such advice would be "either incompetent or not in good faith."

Lawton said "I respectfully must refuse" to give testimony concerning any official conversations with Zwicker because of advice he said he had received yesterday that to do so would violate the controversial presidential directive Eisenhower issued last May 17 forbidding witnesses at the McCarthy-Army hearings to testify what was said or done in executive department offices.

Eisenhower's order was not limited to that one conference, but covered all private consultations within the executive department, Williams said to Lawton: "You did tell me the substance of your conversation with Gen. Zwicker on Monday night."

Lawton: "I did discuss the substance with you."

Williams appealed then to Chairman



THE CIRCLED DAYS SAW TEMPERATURE HIT 100 OR MORE

Relieving Showers Seen Tomorrow

Rain To Halt Mercury Spree

The Summer Express steamers said scattered showers are possible this afternoon, more probable tomorrow.

Pushed along by hurricane winds, the rain train should arrive sometime tomorrow, although there is a chance the

first section may arrive today. Weather men said scattered showers are possible this afternoon, more probable tomorrow.

Yesterday the Summer Express' rain train arrived in the 90's, breathing fire and heading for 100. But somewhere

around 3:30 it lost its steam. The thermometer got up to 99 and neither sun nor hot air could budge the mercury a degree higher. Thus 99 stood as the day's high.

TOTAL AT 10
That keeps the number of 100-plus days this year at an even 10 and the Weather Bureau said there is little chance the century mark will be reached again this week.

Today, a high of 97 is forecast. Tomorrow the mercury should drop back to 92. By Friday the high should be 96. It's too late in the season for the sun to sustain a prolonged heat wave. Hurricanes, if nothing else, should break up the heat.

But memories of the super-heating days remain. Let us forget the mercury shot over the 100 mark on June 27, again on July 5, 7, 14, and on Aug. 5, 16, 26 and 27.

With this month only one week old, it is the hottest yet. The temperature cracked 100 degrees Sunday and Monday.

WHAT'S INSIDE

THE SPOTLIGHT is turned on two noisy South Carolina controversies by contributors to the People's Platform on today's editorial page. One letter deals with the Winthrop College dispute; the other with political explosions which followed the death of Sen. Maybank. Read them on Page 4-A.

THE MYTH OF THE FOOTBALL PLAYER who can run the 100-yard dash fully equipped in less than 10 seconds is exploded in Bob Quincy's sports column on Page 4-B. Weems Baskin, University of South Carolina assistant coach, says it can't be done.

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Cotton Crop Estimate Off

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agricultural Department today estimated this year's government-restricted cotton crop at 11,832,000 bales of about 480-pound weight.

This estimate is 486,000 bales less than last month's forecast of 12,318,000 bales. It compares also with last year's crop of 12,629,000 bales and with the 10-year (1943-52) average of 12,448,000 bales.

The center's program embracing planting allotments and marketing quotas, the department had sought to limit production to about 9,600,000 bales from previous crops. It was this large reserve supply that invoked the production controls—measures which will be continued next year if approved by growers voting in a referendum later in the fall.

Officials have forecast market demands for cotton from this year's supply at about 13,700,000 bales, or about 1,900,000 bales more than last year's supply.

The department said the yield of cotton was expected to average 28 pounds per harvested acre compared with 32 1/2 last year and 27 1/2 for the 10-year average.

Dewey Not To Run Again

NEW YORK (AP)—Thomas E. Dewey, one of the most powerful figures in national Republican politics since 1940, is returning to private life after 12 years as governor of New York.

Dewey, twice a nominee for President, said in a statewide telecast last night that he would not, under any circumstances be a candidate for public office this fall. He gave no reason other than a desire to return to private life.

He reported, however, that the Communists fired no shot at Queens Tuesday or Wednesday night. A few sporadic shots were reported Wednesday afternoon.

President Eisenhower, who "had hoped" Dewey would run again, was told in advance that he would not. But the announcement caught many state Republican leaders by surprise.

It came only one day before a scheduled meeting of the State Republican Executive Committee. Formation of a "draft Dewey" move reportedly was to have been the meeting's main order of business.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER

Amidst all the demands of our daily life, O Lord, may we discover the reality of Thy presence. Help us to know beyond all doubt that Thou art with us in sunshine and storm, giving steadfastness to our purpose and firmness to our steps. In the Master's name, Amen.

Hurricane Alert Lifted For Southern Florida

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—The hurricane alert for South Florida was lifted today as Edna, an erratic giant packing 115 miles per hour winds, swung to the northward in the Atlantic.

An 11 a.m. EST advisory reported: "The more northward turn relieves the threat to Florida but continues to have high seas and strong winds today."

The advisory placed the season's fifth hurricane about 300 miles east of Miami near latitude 26.0 north, longitude 75.7 west.

It was moving northwestward about 10 miles per hour.

Strongest winds were estimated at 100 to 115 miles per hour near the center with hurricane force winds 75 miles per hour or more extending 50 to 75 miles to the north and east and about 30 miles to the south.

The hurricane was expected to continue moving in a northerly direction.

Grady Norton, chief storm forecaster at the Miami Weather Bureau, said that if the trend continues the hurricane "may be over blue water some time."

Edna was reported 270 miles east of Miami at 8 a.m. and had moved some 30 miles further away by 11 a.m.

At Prison Death Inquest: Inmate Says Girl Was Gagged

Miss Rush's death in her isolation cell sparked off a riot among the 300 inmates the morning after the inmate testified today she saw Eleanor Rush and another over her mouth shortly before the Rush girl died the night of Aug. 20 of a broken neck.

Mabel Wright, a young Negro serving her third term at the prison, said she was in the isolation cell across the hall from Miss Rush's cell. She said she saw guards tie Miss Rush's feet and then tie her to her mattress.

Miss Wright's testimony was in conflict in many ways with that of other witnesses in the inquest being conducted by Wake County Coroner Marshall W. Bennett.

Miss Wright said that when Miss Rush's body was taken from the cell, all of the bonds were off except for both gags.

Asked by Herman Taylor, a Negro attorney who said he is representing Miss Rush's family, Wright said that the guards didn't get attempting to put on the gag. Horne replied "No." He said it took eight or 10 minutes to put the gag on but the guards didn't get angry a bit in the world. He said Miss Rush kicked him three times but she was barefooted and did not hurt him.

Hinton and others testified that Miss Rush was put in a restraining belt and was gagged to keep her from disturbing the entire prison. All have denied her feet were tied or that she was bound to her mattress.

Asked by attorney Wilbur Bunn whether she had not appeared before Fayetteville Recorder's Court at least 25 times, Miss Wright replied she did not know how many times she had been before that court. Bunn represents Hinton and other prison representatives.

Miss Wright said that she peeped under the crack under her door to see what was going on in the opposite cell, whose door she said was open.

She said five minutes after the guards left Miss Rush trussed she saw Hinton return. She said she heard a noise, which she described as sounding like the palm of a hand hitting a fist.

She said she had never heard Miss Rush create a disturbance before. She said she was not angry and was calling for food.

Miss Wright also was bound in a restraining belt and gagged in her cell at the time.

Yesterday Hinton said he and four guards put Miss Rush's wrists in a restraining belt and used a towel to gag her.

RED MANUEVERS

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian army sources say Soviet forces across Iran's northern border have been conducting major maneuvers for the past three days. The sources said the maneuvers involved heavy artillery, fighter planes and bombers.

GROCERY NEWS

TIPS

By BETTY BOYER

Save on Coffee Special
Get Acquainted
Offer Now at
Your Grocers

Want a Set of Silver
at No Cost to You?
Betty Tells You This
Week How to Get It.

Back to School
It's Going to Be
Sandwiches for The
Kids... Make
Them Tasty!

Potato Chip Pie
It's Delicious. Read
Betty's Recipe.

Read The
Grocery News

OUR WEATHER

Some cloudiness today and some showers this afternoon, and scattered thundershowers tomorrow.

High temperature yesterday, 99 degrees; high expected today, 97 degrees; high expected tomorrow, 92 degrees.

Low temperature this morning, 88 degrees; low expected tonight, 88 degrees; low expected tomorrow night, 70 degrees.

Sunrise, 5:40 a.m.; sunset, 6:23 p.m.

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