



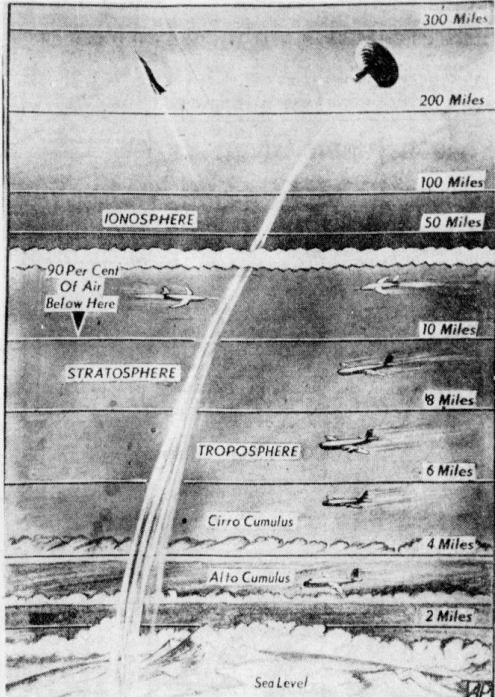
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HIGHER AND HIGHER goes man's invasion of space. This drawing illustrates the distance from earth that would be reached by the earth-circling man-made satellite, in comparison with other objects sent into the wild blue. (AP Wirephoto)

Chinese Aids Release 11 Captive U. S. Fliers

Adjournment Plans Snarled By Disputes

Housing, Pay Raises Major Obstacles

By JOE HALL
WASHINGTON, (AP)—Congress adjournment plans were snarled today by disputes over public housing and pay raises for its own employees. Other major legislation was also pending.

Leaders in both branches fixed tonight as their new goal for quelling the House kept working Saturday night until 7:30 p.m. and the Senate until 10:45 p.m. but neither cleared the way for adjournment in advance of the July 31 deadline set up in the 1946 Reorganization Act.

Some lawmakers said privately the session might last two or three more days.

MANY GOALS
Others, however, said it might be hard to reach a quorum by midnight. Many senators and representatives already have left town for home or on trips. A contingent of senators sailed from New York today for Europe.

Three key measures tied up in Senate-House conferences make up the bulk of the remaining work load, although lawmakers interested in numerous other bills will make last-ditch efforts to get them through. The three are:

1. The housing bill, on which Senate-House conferees met until midnight Saturday and then broke up in a sharp disagreement on public housing.

2. The Defense Production Act, which would extend special powers assigned to the President Eisenhower in the mobilization program. About the same conferees are involved in this on the housing bill.

3. The 92-million-dollar legislative appropriations bill, final on a one-year measure of the session. Conferees failed to reach agreement on this Friday, did not meet Saturday.

HOUSING BILL
The housing bill, vital to continuation of home building in the nation's home-building industry, may well be the biggest hurdle to adjournment tonight.

Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark), chairman, said he would attempt to get the conferees together today.

Eisenhower asked for 33,000 new public housing units in each of the next two years. The Senate stepped up the figure steeply to 135,000 units a year for the next four years, but the House eliminated all public housing from the measure.

In the haggling Saturday night, Senate Democratic conferees offered to compromise on 90,000 units for one year. But the House group refused to accept this, holding out for no more than the 70,000 units over a two-year period asked by the President. They said they would have no chance to get any lower through the House.

The conferees reported tentative agreement Saturday on the other provisions of the bill extending such important government housing.

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Calendar grid for July 1953. Days 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 are circled in black. Days 1, 2, 31 are not circled.

THE DAYS ARE CIRCLED in black; but no one's mourning for July. The circled days, all 23 of them, are the days when the mercury hit 90 or above. Only July 1931, which had 26, has produced more 90-degree days, according to Weather Bureau records.

Showers Cooled Off Sizzlers

July Made 90 On 25 Dates

By EMERY WISTER
Charlotte News Staff Writer
August got off to a warm start today, although dragging one foot through the mud.

There was a good chance that the hot sun might ring up another 90-plus day, but heavy showers, thunderous and threatening to strangle the temperature, kept it below 90.

Yesterday the mercury crawled to 90 to mark the 25th day of plus 90 readings for the month. The only reason July 1935 didn't set a new record for this is because the month just ran out of days.

The record is held by July 1931 which produced 26 of the super scorches.

But this July was bad enough. There were only six days that were anything like cool.

It would have been worse had not the persistent clouds brought its showers with amazing regularity.

The clouds poured it, on dumping 4.94 inches of rain on the Charlotte area.

Yesterday's last act thunderstorm dropped the curtain on one of the best summer growing months in Charlotte's history. Officially, only 0.5 inch of rain fell, but some sections of the county received a little more.

The showers knocked the temperature down to size and sent the mercury spinning to a 73-degree low this morning. A 72-degree minimum is forecast for morning.

But cooling showers didn't keep the monthly temperature average from being away over normal. The average was 81 degrees, 2.7 above the normal.

One new heat record was set in the month. That was on the 24th when the thermometer registered 96.4. Old record for the date was the 97.2 of July 4, 1938.

STATEMENT HELD UP
The Agriculture Department planned to issue a policy statement today's opening of the new marketing year but held it up on the advice of White House aides who feared it might have a bad effect on international relations.

After he returned to the Agriculture Department, Benson said, "We're working on the matter of a new export policy on cotton."

"There will be a decision soon," he added.

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Convicted 'Spies' To Go Free

TOKYO (AP)—Red China announced tonight it was releasing 11 U. S. airmen whose conviction for "spying" was one major cause of friction with the United States.

A Peiping radio announcement that the airmen had been released came as representatives of the United States and Red China met at Geneva, primarily to discuss release of Americans in China.

The broadcast did not say when or where the 11, who were shot down in the Korean War, would be released. But the probable exit is the British colony of Hong Kong.

If the Communists act as promptly as they did in releasing four other airmen, then the 11 may walk free tomorrow.

PREVIOUS CASE
Last May 30, Peiping announced that Capt. Harold E. Fischer Jr., Sea City, Iowa, a double jet ace of the Korean War, and three others were being released. They reached Hong Kong the next day. They were accused of violating the air over Red China during the war.

The 11 and their sentences are: Col. John Knox Arnold III, Silver Spring, Md., 10 years.

Maj. I. William H. Baumer, Lewisburg, Pa., 8 years.

Capt. Eugene John Vaadi, Clayton, N. C., 6 years.

Capt. Elmer F. Llewellyn, Missoula, Mont., 5 years.

Lt. Wallace L. Brown, Banks, Ala., 5 years.

Lt. John W. Buck, Armatowite, Tenn., 4 years.

Sgt. Howard W. Brown, St. Paul, Minn., 4 years.

Steven E. Kuba, airman 1st class, U. S. Air Force, 4 years.

John W. Thompson III, airman 1st class, U. S. Air Force, 4 years.

Donald C. Schmidt, airman 2nd class, Redding, Calif., 4 years.

The 11 were in a B29 which was shot down Jan. 12, 1953, on the Far East Air Force called "a routine fuel dropping mission over the sea."

Red China charged they flew over Manchuria on a mission for the U. S. secret intelligence service. A Chinese military court last November sentenced them on espionage charges.

"During the period in which these 11 criminals served their sentence," the statement said.

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Peiping Action Pleases Ike

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower said today Red China's announcement that 11 American airmen are to be released is a cause for nationwide relief and joy.

The White House issued a statement by the President less than an hour after Peiping radio broadcast word that the imprisoned airmen are to be released.

Press secretary James C. Hagerty said the government had received word that the airmen were moving from the British military attaché at Peiping that the announcement might be forthcoming.

Eisenhower's statement said: "The entire country will feel a sense of relief and hail with joy the announcement that the 11 United States airmen held in Communist China since 1953 are at last to be released."

"Our first thoughts go to the men and their families who have been separated for so long. The gesture will use every appropriate facility to insure the speedy return of these families.

THANKS EXTENDED
The United States extends thanks to all who have contributed to this humanitarian result, particularly to the United Nations and its secretary general, who actively sought this result on behalf of the United Nations Command in which the 11 fliers served.

The U. S. Secretary, Dag Hammarskjöld, made a trip to Red China earlier this year in an effort to get the fliers released, and has been continuing to seek their return.

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At Geneva Conference

Civilians Given Top Billing

By MAX HARRELSON
GENEVA (AP)—The United States and Red China today agreed to concentrate their private negotiations first on the problem of repatriating civilians, including about 40 Americans detained by Peiping.

This was announced in a joint communique after representatives of the two countries had met for 45 minutes in the opening round of their negotiations on ways to ease tension in the Far East.

They met shortly after word was received here that Red China was releasing 11 American airmen held as alleged spies since 1953.

Wang Ping-an, Peiping's ambassador to Warsaw, opened the meeting by announcing the release of the fliers. He said they had left Peiping yesterday and are expected to arrive in Hong Kong Aug. 4.

U. Alexis Johnson, U. S. ambassador to Czechoslovakia, met Wang in a spacious conference room of the Palace of Nations, European headquarters of the United Nations.

They entered the meeting room promptly at 4 p.m. Wang, accompanied by three advisers, arrived first. Johnson followed by two minutes. He was accompanied by Ralph Clough, a State Department political officer, and Lt. Col. Robert B. Ekvall, interpreter.

Johnson and Wang arrived yesterday. Wang hinted that a settlement on the civilian prisoners might be near. He said if both sides approached the talks in a spirit of sincerity it should be possible to reach, first of all, a reasonable settlement on the question of the repatriation of civilians.

LITTLE TO SAY
Johnson had little to say on arrival other than that his mission was outlined fully in the State Department's July 28 statement announcing arrangements for the negotiations.

The Chinese at today's opening conference, in addition to Johnson, were Lin Ping and Lee Hui-chuan, advisers, and Chu Yin-chiao, interpreter.

The two teams sat around one end of an oval table, with Johnson and Wang next to each other. Before the talks actually got under way, they permitted photographers to come in.

As the talks began, Johnson made it clear that as far as the United States was concerned little or no information would be given to the press.

TROPICAL STORM DUE TO HIT LOUISIANA COAST TONIGHT
NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Tropical storm Brenda was 25 miles off the mouth of the Mississippi River early today and the New Orleans Weather Bureau said it continues its current movement it would move inland tonight along the Louisiana coast between Grande Isle and Point Aufer.

The storm is not of hurricane force. The Weather Bureau said its highest winds are estimated at 50-60 miles per hour near the center. Gale winds extend out 50-100 miles to the east of the storm center.

In its 4 a.m. advisory the Weather Bureau said continued west-northwest movement of about eight miles per hour is expected for the next 12-14 hours with little change in size or intensity.

High tides are expected from Pensacola, Fla., to the Mississippi River area today and in the Vermilion Bay, La., area tonight.

Details Are Withheld On Abandoned Children
Capt. George H. Mintiens, detective chief, said later that New York detectives had verified the identity of George in Wilmington on the way home.

Both children were nicely dressed, clean and healthy looking when found. Both are blue-eyed blondes.

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SAW PICTURE
Mrs. Lawler saw the picture of Veronica in a New York newspaper. Accompanied by her husband and New York detectives, she came here yesterday to make the identification.

Authorities here and in Wilmington said they were withholding information on Veronica and George at the request of New York police who are conducting a criminal investigation which indirectly involves the two children. Police would not elaborate.

When Veronica came face-to-face with her aunt and uncle yesterday she ignored them at first. Finally when Mrs. Lawler said she was going to leave, the little girl threw herself in the woman's arms and kissed her. She told Mrs. Lawler she didn't want her to leave.

Mrs. Lawler added further proof to the identification when she said Veronica had a small scar on her hip. Policewoman Mary Jane La Plante verified the existence of the scar.

GIRLS BROTHER
The Lawlers also said the boy in Wilmington was Veronica's brother.

Lawmakers See Ike

'Positive' Cotton Program Asked

WASHINGTON (AP)—About 100 Senators and House members called on President Eisenhower today and asked him to take up at Cabinet level a "positive" new cotton program. The lawmakers said afterward the President gave the proposal sympathetic consideration.

Sen. George D-Ga) led the group of 35 senators and more than 60 House members.

The unusual conference followed last week's introduction of a bill by 63 senators aimed at surplusing the world market selling cotton for the Commodity Credit Corp. (CCC). The bill, sponsored by Sens. Eastman (D-Miss) and Thurmond (D-SC), would, among other things:

1. Instruct the CCC to use its present authority to encourage export sales of such quantities of the present surplus as would reestablish for the United States its "fair historical share" of the world market.

2. Direct Secretary of Agriculture to limit cotton textile exports to a figure not exceeding 50 per cent more than the average annual quantity of such imports during a representative two-year period.

BENSON PRESENT
Benson attended today's meeting and George said, "I think he rather acquiesced in the suggestion that the matter be taken up at cabinet level."

George also said the President "indicated willingness to go into it at the cabinet level."

The Georgia senator said he expected an announcement from the White House or the Agriculture Department "at a reasonably ear-

ly date." He noted the 1955-1956 marketing year is just starting and said that unless there is such an announcement the effect on cotton prices "might be disastrous."

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'Night Crawler' Wins 75-Mile Event

'Iron Horse' Beats Live Models

ROSEBURG, Ore. (AP)—Most thought to abandon service on this hard feelings were forgotten in the excitement as the pony ran as losing money.

The railroad, wincing as residents along the line tabbed the "Nightcrawler," greeted the victory with gleeful modesty. Vernal S. Quayle, general passenger agent in Portland, put it this way:

"It was gratifying the way our lowly Nightcrawler fought off the night-mares. We salute the gallant pony who, with his iron horse and his valiant crew who delivered the mail so ably."

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce and other groups who plotted the contest were a little disappointed at the outcome, and here were cries of foul from both Pacific Railroad after it had pre-

The horsemen complained that the mail-express and passenger train pulled more fun than any of the riders or spectators. The 67-year-old roadrunner, retiring in a few months after 42 years service, did not tremble beforehand he thought it was a lot of foolishness.

But just the same, he was proud of his train and felt a mite cocky as he stepped from his cab to wait for the last horseman.

He wouldn't say so, but engineer Claude A. Bridenbake of Portland probably had more fun than any of the riders or spectators. The 67-year-old roadrunner, retiring in a few months after 42 years service, did not tremble beforehand he thought it was a lot of foolishness.

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"Nightmare" And "Nightcrawler"