



Fighting Flares

ALGIERS (AP)—French authorities today reported two powerful thrusts in rich rebel territories and the encirclement in one mountain area of 400 Algerian nationalist rebels.

Atomic Blast

ATOMIC TEST SITE, Nev. (AP)—The first blast of a scheduled atomic tripleheader lit up the mottled, pre-dawn sky in a brilliant yellow flash today. A pink afterglow was visible for several minutes in Las Vegas as some 90 miles away.

Strike Settled

DETROIT (AP)—Chrysler Corp. today reported settlement of a local labor dispute that idled 1,000 at Detroit parts plant yesterday. General Motors continued to increase the tempo of its production with six more local agreements.

Wreckage Sighted

GUAM (AP)—A Coast Guard plane has sighted what appeared to be a wing tip tank from a Navy photo reconnaissance plane which vanished in the Pacific west of here with four crewmen.

Earthquake Reported

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)—Reports reached Jakarta today of an earthquake in central and east Java which killed seven persons and injured 1,856 in the town of Blitar.

Plane Said Missing

HAVANA, Cuba (AP)—A Cuban DC3 airliner carrying 11 passengers was missing today in the rebel-infested country of eastern Cuba. Jose A. Vilaboy, manager of the Compania Cubana de Aviacion, said the plane was flying in bad weather and may have made a forced landing.

Evening Prayer

O God, give us Thy divine light so that we may so shine before men that they may see our good works and glory Thy name. We pray in the blessed name of Christ, Thy Son and our Redeemer. Amen.

Our Weather

Cloudy and a little warmer today and tonight with occasional rain. Thursday mainly cloudy with a chance of showers or thundershowers.
Low this morning 52
Low tomorrow morning 56
High today 65
High yesterday 58
High tomorrow 72
Sunrise today 6:34 a.m.
Sunset today 5:41 p.m.
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Happy Reunion

Klaus Kaemmerer, 5, flown to Baltimore last week from his native Germany for a delicate heart operation, reacted with glee when his mother, Mrs. Sigrid Kaemmerer, arrived from Germany to join him. Klaus was operated on today at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Loses Grade, Pay

Convicted Sergeant Says He's Right

PT. JACKSON, S. C. (AP)—A Purple Heart Army sergeant, convicted of maltreating recruits, says, "I still think I'm right. Everyone of those traitors who testified was a problem child."

M. Sgt. George Sovie, 30, of Ogdensburg, N.Y., was convicted by a general court martial here Tuesday of five of seven specific charges of assault and battery and recruit maltreatment.

He received a relatively light sentence—reduction one grade to sergeant first class and forfeiture six months. Maximum penalty could have been 4½ years imprisonment, dishonorable discharge and forfeiture of all allowances and pay.

HEAD DIPPED

He was found guilty of having one trainee dipped head first into a mess hall grease trap, striking and kicking other trainees, forcing two trainees to eat dog balls, and requiring other recruits to hold heavy footlockers over their heads for up to 20 minutes.

The board of officers and sergeants acquitted him of kicking one recruit and forcing six others to go through a footlocker drill. Two other general courts martial are planned in maltreatment cases. Sgt. Charles Monahan, 28, of Empire, Ala., is expected to face one sometime this week. Later Lt. L. Gerald Wheatley of Bradford, Pa., will go before a general court martial on charges of neglect of duty and actions unbecoming an officer.

Sovie and his attractive dark-haired wife broke out into smiles when they heard the sentence. Other soldiers, apparently considering the sentence a light one

Schools Suffering Bus Effects

By DICK YOUNG
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A serious effect on school attendance came into City Council consideration today of Charlotte's continuing bus strike.

Even as school officials reported absenteeism as high as 80 per cent among one group of children, Councilman Herbert H. Baxter announced he was prepared to call on the City Council to act this afternoon to get the buses running.

(Mayor James S. Smith had appointed Mr. Baxter to a special civic committee, still standing by to assist in settlement of the strike if called on by the two sessions of the committee.) Mr. Baxter said his proposal will include agreement to resume work on the same basis as prior to the Oct. 1 strike except for an adjustment in wages to take care of cost of living increases between August 1957 and August, 1958.

RETROACTIVE PAY

Negotiations would be continued while the buses are continued operated and any changes and wage increases would be made retroactive.

Mr. Baxter said the council should call upon the union to have a full membership for a secret vote on his proposal.

"I believe the most likely vote to go back to work," Mr. Baxter said.

Mr. Baxter said the consequences of the strike are becoming more and more serious.

Among these critical spots are children who must be transported from the Second Ward area to the York Road high school.

143 INVOLVED

A total of 143 children are being transported to the York Road school in buses leased from the City Coach Lines. There is not room in the schools in the Myers Street-Morgan school district for them.

Since the strike these children have had to go to the school as best they could.

School officials said absenteeism among this group has been pronounced.

One day 117 out of the 143 were absent. The smallest number present was 63 on one day.

Parent-teacher association has become concerned and reports were that official requests for help will be filed.

NEED FOR ACTION

These are the reasons the council should take some official steps to get the buses running again, said Mr. Baxter.

He said that members of the council were doubtful they can do anything except to exercise their persuasive powers to get the representatives of the union and of the company to reach an agreement.

City Attorney John D. Shaw, who has insisted all along the council is without any legal authority to enter the strike situation except in an effort to persuade the two sides to negotiate that position today.

Wachovia Bank & Trust Co. of Winston-Salem. It also gave the merged bank permission to establish two branches in Wilmington.

W. B. Graham, president of the Wilmington bank, said he had heard from more than 80 per cent of the bank's stockholders and only about three opposed the merger. He said they owned less than 100 shares each.

Archie K. Davis of Winston-Salem, Wachovia's chairman of the board, told the commission that the merger had been approved by the boards of directors of both banks.

Man Admits Gastonia Mill Payroll Holdup



Heavy Winds Ripped Down This Exhibition Tent At A Kinston Fair

Declares Companion Innocent

GASTONIA—Albert J. Ledford, 33-year-old Clover, S. C., man wanted in the \$6,859 Myrtle Mill payroll robbery at Gastonia, walked into the Gaston County Sheriff's Department this morning and surrendered.

When Ledford surrendered at 8:10 a.m. he was not armed. Gastonia police picked him up and booked him on a charge of armed robbery.

Ledford had \$2 in his pocket when he gave up. Officers began questioning him immediately.

Ledford's surrender came at a time when the main factor that prompted his action, last Thursday.

Ledford said in the letter he first had an idea "to take a bank." He had planned to rob the First National Bank of Clover, but later decided on the payroll robbery.

The letter came from Park Hotel in Savannah, Ga.

Ledford said his brother-in-law knew nothing about the robbery, that he got him to drive the car to Myrtle Mills to see about getting a job.

He added that he sent Walter in to ask about a job and when Walter came back saying there was no job available, he went into the office.

This is his description of the holdup: "I walked in and the man was standing behind a table. I pulled the gun and said, 'All right, Red, I come for the money.' He said, 'Okay, but there it is. Take it. Okay, but try to stop me.' He said, 'I won't.'"

Ledford said he traced back to the car and told Walter, "Let's get the hell out of here."

Ledford said he went to Rock

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Off South Carolina

Northeaster Loses Much Of Punch

CAPE HATTERAS (AP)

A one-volley northeaster, which lashed North Carolina's coast Tuesday, tamed down today. It was located about 100 miles southeast of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

The Weather Bureau said it appeared that the storm will remain stationary off the South Carolina coast and may wear itself out there.

Tides are a little high along the North Carolina coast, but the winds have died down considerably," the Weather Bureau said.

There was sunshine this morning on the lower North Carolina coast around Wilmington and also at Hatteras. There is less rain on the coast than there is inland."

The storm moved off the North Carolina coast Tuesday night. It had lashed the Tar Heel area for more than 24 hours with damaging results.

Small craft warnings were still displayed along the North Carolina coast. Moderate to fresh easterly winds were expected today, tonight and Thursday. The forecast was for scattered showers and thundershowers in the coastal area and inland.

Winds were less than 20 miles per hour along the North Carolina coast today, the Weather Bureau said.

Late last night the weather bureau placed the eye of the storm to seaward just off the Wilmington area. But it said a heavy squall area circulated over several hundred miles.

During its visit off the coast, the northeaster lashed some areas with winds that reached 75 miles an hour hurricane force. These winds hit food lines across ocean-side highways, up inland rivers and into some coastal communities.

Heavy flooding was reported at New Bern, Morehead City, Beaufort, Manteo, and several beach resorts along a 100-mile stretch of coast line.

Four Atlantic Fleet destroyers caught in raging offshore waves that reached 25 feet were bullet-riddled and damaged.

The destroyers Rich and Moale, operating off the Virginia capes, reported deck and passageway damages and returned to Norfolk. Minor damage was reported on the destroyers Ellison and Sumner, operating in the same area.

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MAP SHOWS STORM CENTER



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30 Die In Crash Of Airliner, Jet

ANZIO, Italy (AP)—A British airliner and an Italian military jet collided four miles above Italy today, killing all 30 aboard the passenger plane.

Wreckage of the British European Airways (BEA) four-engine turbo-prop plane was scattered for more than a mile near this famous World War II battlefield 30 miles south of Rome.

The military plane exploded in the air seconds before that the Italian pilot parachuted, landing in the Mediterranean. A fishing boat picked him up. He was taken to a hospital in grave condition.

The airliner's dead included Jane Buckingham, London model involved in a romance in which she had retired actress Eva Bartok as trying to take over an Italian prince who "is mine."

The prince, 27-year-old Shiv of Pallanza, is in Naples and Miss Buckingham, 22, was presumably en route there to try to patch things up.

"She is mine," Miss Buckingham told newsmen yesterday.

"He loves me and I love him."

"And that Eva Bartok is going to find out pretty soon."

Miss Buckingham's press agent announced Monday the 28-year-old actress was "unofficially engaged" to the 27-year-old prince from Pallanza.

The BEA Viscount airliner was on a flight from London to Naples and Malta. The collision came at 12:35 p.m. 15 minutes before the plane was due at Naples.

Within three hours, Italian police had recovered all 30 bodies. BEA in Rome said its plane was flying at 23,000 feet.

Rome's Ciampino Airfield reported weather in the area was clear.

The shattered British plane crashed into an Italian railway, sending ground and only about 200 yards from an explosives dump.

One wing was about 600 feet from the smashed part of the fuselage. Part of the tail was 1,000 feet away.

The airliner carried 25 passengers and a crew of 4.

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—LIGHTER SIDE OF THE NEWS— Problem Follows Problem

(From AP Reports)
Yesterday Charles Hamilton of Detroit was a man with a problem — a man without a job.

So he wheeled a huge sign through Detroit's midtown, the sign bearing the information that he needed a job, plus his telephone number.

Today Charles Hamilton is a man with a problem, but of a different sort. "How," he asked, "am I going to thank all those nice people who offered me jobs?"

Just Stopping

Some 40 Ku Klux Klan members paraded through the streets in Camden, S. C., wearing full regalia. They weren't in town to do a cross-burning job, however.

They were just passing through from Spartanburg to Dentonville to attend a rally, and decided to make a rest stop.

G. Quik, exchanged the bill for \$3.40.

More Troubles

Paul Egan, the controversial mayor of Aurora, Ill., can't find an end to his troubles. Egan, feuding with his own police force for weeks, had more trouble last night with Chicago's finest.

He went to a Chicago airport to see President Eisenhower "on a matter of importance" but was barred from entering the airport because he didn't have an official badge.

—RAIN HITS, BROTHERS QUIT— Great Outdoors Just No Fun

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Three young brothers who left home Monday in search of adventure abandoned it today in favor of warm beds, dry clothing and mom's cooking.

The youngest, 7-year-old Edward Bleske Jr., returned home Tuesday night with a tale of a frightening night in the woods.

Apparently a park. Police continued an overnight search for his brothers, David, 13, and William, 10, but at dawn today, the betrayed older boys, their clothing drenched by an overnight rain, came home of their own accord.

They had had their fill of the rain, outdoors life, they explained, and at the moment all they wanted was breakfast and a place to sleep. Mom obliged.

SAGA OF BIKE

Edward told police how the trio spent Monday night, saying: "We took a long walk in the country. We walked past a

church and over a long bridge. We built a fire. There were lots of bears there. They came up close and watched us. We went out our prayer books and the bears went away. We slept under some leaves."

The night out was plenty for Edward and he got home when his brothers took him within sight of the house, showed him the way and then left again.

There was one more bit of excitement for the seven-year-old when he was taken on a ride in a police car past several parks in the hope of showing officers where the trio spent the night. Edward was unable to give any more specific so he was placed in bed, bathed and tucked into bed.

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The boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bleske Sr., who have 11 children. David is the oldest and the youngest is an infant daughter. The father

is a truck driver. The gentlemanly family lives in an immaculately clean home on the second floor of a two-family building in an older residential section.

The boys left home Monday after breakfast, ostensibly on the way to school. When they failed to return home in good time their mother began to worry and found a note in the mail box. In David's handwriting, it said: "I am sorry I have to leave you but the boys pick me on a. I will be back in two weeks. Love, David, Bill and Junior."

As for the phrase, "The boys pick me," Mrs. Bleske said she had heard only of "little misunderstandings such as children often have." She said David is small for his age, only 4 feet 11 inches, and weighs 90 pounds. His mother said possibly he had been bullied by older boys and didn't want to talk about it.