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## Threat To Resign Nothing New For Chief Littlejohn

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Veteran Charlotte News reporter Dick Young wrote last week, "I remember when Frank N. Littlejohn first threatened to resign 20 years ago."

"Today Frank Littlejohn is head of the police department — and he is still threatening to quit."

But this time he says he means it. Most of the men in the police department agree.

They say, "The man in the corner is ready to resign."

The leathery-faced police chief came within an eyelash of not having to quit this week.

A majority of the City Council was ready to demand his resignation. Only a last minute change in plans prevented them from doing so.

What kind of man is he to do this? The city council is so sure.

First, as Littlejohn says him-

self, he has strong convictions. Two weeks ago at Lloyd Henkel's Civil Service hearing, Littlejohn said to a crowded courtroom, "I don't take orders from any councilman or mayor. They all come and go. I take my orders from the 100,000 people who pay my salary."

Several of the councilmen were in the courtroom when the chief made that remark, and they didn't like it at all. They decided to fire him. They got the necessary four votes

and were ready to act when a story in the News changed their plans.

Littlejohn has never turned his back on a fight. In fact, he seems to welcome controversy, although he resents being called controversial.

The chief has a prominent nose and often refers to himself as "that big nose" and so on.

He and his wife live in a modest duplex on Greenville Ave. They have lived there for many years.

Littlejohn has been in many battles since coming to the police department in 1928. But he considers the present one involving the city court as the most crucial.

It is no secret that he and City Recorder Basil M. Boyd have been feuding for years.

Littlejohn has been an outspoken critic of the court since Boyd became judge about three years ago and he was mainly responsible for turning up irreg-

ularities recently discovered in the court's operation.

Even Littlejohn's critics — and they are many — admit he is one of the outstanding policemen in the nation.

A remark often heard is, "If I ever did anything wrong, I would hate for Littlejohn to be after me."

At 71, the chief still has plenty of fight left.

One of his attorney friends said this week, "Most men when they reach chief's age will lose

that fight, but that's not the way with Littlejohn. He'll still fight you tooth and nail."

And it looks as if Littlejohn plans to keep fighting even when his police days are over.

He said yesterday he is going to become "one of the biggest politicians in town," when he retires. He says he will tell the public all about the present City Council.

He has owned many of his personal belongings out of his

office at police headquarters and has already filled out his retirement papers.

It looks, this time, as if he really means to take that rest he has been talking about for so long.

But it'll be a strange day indeed when a person no longer can walk into the corner office at the police station and sit down and listen to the old man behind the chief's desk pound his fist and say, "I don't take orders from any politician."



### Vote Delayed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Commerce Committee discussed possible contempt of Congress action against Bernard Goldfine for about an hour today but recessed without taking action. Indications were the committee would vote late today.

### Strike Ends

DETROIT (AP) — A wildcat strike at two Detroit Cadillac plants came to a quick end today as 4,600 General Motors employees reported to work.

### Boston Inquiry

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U. S. Court of Appeals directed the Federal Communications Commission today to find out whether improper influence figured in the award of a Channel 5 television permit in Boston.

### Regime Recognized

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Turkey, close ally of the fallen regime of King Faisal, recognized the new republican government of Iraq today.

### Pension Bill Called

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House called up for action today a bill to fatten Social Security pension checks. The chief provision calls for a 7 per cent increase in old age, survivors and disability benefits.

### Mob Fought Off

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Four British soldiers fought off a mob of 300 Greek Cypriots last night in a village near Famagusta, killing two of the villagers before they restored order.

### Payroll Trimmed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government trimmed its civilian payroll by 34,560 persons during the fiscal year, Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D-Va.) reported today.

### Situation Improved

JERUSALEM (AP) — U. S. trouble shooter Robert Murphy arrived in Israel today and said the situation in Lebanon is "greatly improved."

### Our Weather

Mostly fair today, tonight and Friday with a few widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers.

Low this morning 74

Low tomorrow morning 74

High today 94

High tomorrow 95

High yesterday 94

High tomorrow 94

Sunrise today 5:30 a.m.; sunset 7:27 p.m.

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### Grand Jury Action

## News Reporters Called To Testify

Two Charlotte News reporters were the first witnesses called to testify this morning before a local grand jury investigating alleged irregularities in City Recorder's Court.

## Drug Executive Shot To Death In Automobile

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Forrest Teel, 34, executive vice president of the huge Eli Lilly & Co. pharmaceutical firm, was shot to death early today in a shopping center, and witnesses said another car sped away.

Police found few clues except the disheveled condition of Teel's clothing and tire tracks of a car driven away at high speed.

Teel was the top sales executive of the drug firm which does a 200-million-dollar-a-year business. He was married and had a 14-year-old son.

An autopsy was scheduled to recover the three small caliber bullets which went into his throat, right side and right hip.

Witnesses told police Teel's white Cadillac backed out of a driveway of an office building, circled over a lawn, ran across a street divider strip, over a curb and hit a utility pole. Teel apparently was unconscious at the time.

The shooting scene is located between the large shopping center and a large apartment area. Reports of two men driving away came from Earl Alexander, 34, a neighbor on walking his dog, and Charles Hendrix, 40, a customer in a restaurant in the shopping center.

Alexander said he saw the car speed away after he heard noises that he thought were firecrackers.

### TOO EARLY TO SAY

Homicide Capt. Michael Smiley said it's "too early to say" what motive could be assigned to the shooting.

"I believe he was shot inside the car," Smiley said.

Teel wore a dark summer suit, but no tie, and his shirt was unbuttoned.

The shooting occurred about five miles from Teel's home, the fashionable Broad Ripple section of Indianapolis.

A friend at the home said Teel had called home yesterday afternoon, saying he wouldn't be home for dinner. His family didn't know where he was going.

Police found a full case of Scotch whisky in the trunk of his car.

In moments of consciousness after he was found in his car, Teel was asked who shot him. Four times he murmured "Hospital." He was dead when an ambulance arrived.

Police also hunted two men in a second Cadillac who stopped taxiway driver Wesley Miller, 28, and told him to call police because of a shooting, then drove away. Miller didn't believe the story until he came upon a crowd around Teel's auto.

Deputy Coroner Myron K. Dill said Teel's bullet contained two .380-bill and .38 Smith & Wesson, leading police to believe robbery was not the motive for the shooting.

Teel formerly was president of the Eli Lilly International Corp. until he was made executive vice president in charge of marketing operations in 1957, also as a member of the board of directors.

John Kilgo, who has covered the court story for The News, was the first witness. He went into the room at 9:40 and came out shortly after 11 a.m.

Kilgo was carrying his coat in his arms and he was perspiring freely when he left the room.

Reporter Ann Sawyer was the second witness called. She went before the jury about 11:20 a.m.

The jury took a short recess after hearing Kilgo's testimony.

Also subpoenaed was Charlotte Observer reporter L. M. Wright Jr., who has written most of the Observer stories about the court situation.

SBI agents John R. Vanderford and J. W. Jessup spent Wednesday morning with the jury. Vanderford had been a witness Monday afternoon and all day on Tuesday.

W. C. Wilson is the third SBI agent investigating the City Recorder's Court irregularities.

The motion to call more witnesses for the grand jury apparently means the SBI agents' testimony has been ended, at least temporarily.

OTHERS CALLED

Besides Miss Sawyer, Mr. Kilgo and Mr. Wright, others subpoenaed to appear today were:

Attorney Allen A. Bailey, who testified in the Civil Service Commission hearing for former police captain Lloyd W. Henkel; solicitor George B. Miller Jr. of City Recorder's Court; Miss Anna J. Zachary, 2401 Crescent Ave., and Charles E. Gregory, 3415 Broadway Dr., both defendants in cases which were delayed in City Recorder's Court.

Both Miss Zachary and Mr. Gregory have had their cases tried since the investigation began.

Miss Zachary entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving under the influence of an intoxicant. Mr. Gregory was found guilty on the same charge, but his case was dismissed in Superior court upon appeal.

Since the investigation began, a police captain has been dismissed and a police lieutenant, who was clerk of court, has resigned his position.

The problem of some 200 mis-handled cases in Judge Boyd's Court remains as well as the problem of some \$30,000 worth of forfeited but uncollected bonds.

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## Special U. N. Meeting Sought By Macmillan

## Khrushchev Invited To Crisis Talk

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Macmillan announced today he is calling for a special meeting of the United Nations Security Council to take place Aug. 12 and that he personally will attend it.

Macmillan told the House of Commons he has advised Soviet Premier Khrushchev New York, Geneva or any other place generally agreeable will do as the site for the special conference on the Middle East crisis.

The read a text of a message which he has had delivered to Khrushchev today. "I hope you will be there too," it said.

"I am now instructing the United Kingdom permanent representative to propose to the president of the Security Council a special meeting to take place under Article 28 of the U.N. charter on Aug. 12."

Macmillan then added in his note to Khrushchev that agreement on these arrangements for the meeting would find him attending the conference on Aug. 12.

The British leader told Khrushchev the conference he had in mind certainly would allow "less formal meetings of heads of government" to be arranged, in this respect.

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## New York Beach Becomes Baptist

A few of the 7,136 Jehovah's Witnesses baptized in Long Island Sound yesterday await their turn for immersion. An estimated 170,000 Witnesses from 124 countries are in New York for their annual assembly.

## Trolley Crash Probe Begins

NEWARK, N. J. (AP) — Authorities were conducting an investigation today into the crash of two trolleys packed with commuters.

The rear-end collision here yesterday injured 35 persons, none seriously, and set off a near-panic. Four of the injured required hospitalization.

The accident occurred at the rush hour peak in the City Subway system, a few hundred yards inside the tunnel that runs beneath the business district.

The scene was a blind curve at a point where the trolleys leave the tunnel and come out into the open.

One of the trolleys stalled when its pole triggered power from the overhead wires became unfatigued. The motorman, Walter L. Miller, 38, jumped out of his cab to refasten it.

Time was important. The trolleys run at 30-second intervals during rush hours.

Miller was still working on the pole when he heard a second car skidding.

"Hold it! Watch out!" he cried, then jumped clear just as the second trolley rammed into the first.

The impact threw 100 passengers into the air. Those who had seats were violently hurled forward.

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### Compromise Choice

## Army Chief New Lebanese Leader

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanon's top soldier, Gen. Fuad Shihab, was elected president today as a compromise choice to end the rebellion against pro-Western President Camille Chamoun.

The 56-year-old nonpolitical army commander in chief on the second ballot. He got 48 votes to 2 for Raymond Edde. There was one blank ballot.

Shihab's election will not automatically solve the strife which in 83 days has brought this Riviera of the Middle East to the brink of economic ruin and resulted in the landing of 10,000 U. S. troops in Beirut.

But observers tell the general's taking control could provide a breathing spell during which peace and order might be restored. There was an atmosphere of hope among the Lebanese people who have lived amid intermittent bombing and shooting for almost three years.

Both rebels and government supporters appeared tired of the struggle.

Chamoun's six-year term in the presidency does not end until Sept. 23, and a U. S. Embassy spokesman already has said that Shihab's election as a compromise between the warring factions would not by itself clear the way for the U. S. troops to withdraw.

American withdrawal will also depend on re-establishment of internal security and a U. N. guarantee of Lebanese independence, the spokesman said.

The heart of Beirut around the flatiron shape, besieged by security troops as deputies gathered for the election. A curfew was in effect in the area. Even holders of gun licenses were forbidden to carry weapons in the area, and deputies were warned their cars would be searched.

Edde, last of the middle school road National Bloc who had tried without success to negotiate a political peace earlier, was the only

### Witnesses In

## Probe Balky

ATLANTA (AP) — A congressional committee investigating un-American activities in the South today winds up a three-day probe marked by balky witnesses and references to racism.

A 22-year-old camera plant worker William Matthews of Brooklyn, N.Y., was the only one of 11 witnesses called who denied any connection with the Communist mandate.

The others took the first or fifth amendments.

Among those declining to answer yesterday was Hunter Pitts O'Dell, a Montgomery, Ala., Negro insurance man. The Detroit-born witness was described by Richard Arens, staff director of the House un-American Activities subcommittee, as a "realist of the Communist movement."

O'Dell was ruled out of order when he sought to inject a discussion of mistreatment of Negroes in the South into the hearing. He tried to read a statement but was told a committee rule provided that such statements must be submitted 24 hours in advance.

The committee also heard Carl Braden of Louisville, Ky., a proponent of racial integration, say that the group should be looking into violence against Negroes and Jews in the South.

Another witness, Frank Wilkinson, offered any information about himself other than his name. He said he did so in cooperation with the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee to make a legal test of the constitutionality of the congressional committee's mandate.

Madge Sperry Cole, a textile worker from Greensboro, N.C., ruled on the first and fifth amendments to answer numerous questions. One question was whether she knew former FBI undercover agent Arnold Penha and if he had identified her as a Communist courier.

Penha said the party sent highly educated persons into Southern textile mills, concealing their educational background, to get jobs and cultivate workers. Mrs. Cole has two college degrees.

## Lion Plays Role Of Reluctant Dragon

(From AP Reports)

An escaped lion met a group of children playing in a Malibu, Calif., street last night.

The lion, a few weeks old, was seen through an open window into the house of his owner, animal trainer Merrill Hooper, who exhibits him at carnivals. For two hours the lion roamed around the house, ripping furniture and draperies, before Hooper lured him into a cage.

### Whose Vicuna?

A vicuna coat is resting in the Boston post office, lost in the mail. It bears no tag, wrapped in other clue indicators, who sent it to whom. If the proper claimant fails to appear, said Post Timothy Donahue, the garment will be placed for sale in the next quarterly postal auction.

### No, Thank You

Lloyd Johnson of Detroit is the first man they can remember who refuses to be paid for jury duty, says recorder's court officials.

Johnson is on duty for 30 days. Normal pay is \$84 a day, but he does not want it.

"Accepting pay for jury duty would be like getting paid for voting,"

### Absentee Present

Speaking of voting, Miss Ella M. Green of Pontiac, Mich., has cast an absentee ballot in next Tuesday's Michigan primary election.

Voting officials said that although Miss Green will not be out of town on election day, they had the absentee ballot because she's 100 years old.