

Vanderberg Levels Broadside At U. N. Financial Setup

A Charlotte News Report City And County Consolidation: Savings In Taxes

(With in a series of articles on Charlotte and Mecklenburg government, pointing out the need for city-county consolidation.) By BUREAU DAVIS Charlotte News Special Writer

ALL told, Charlotte and Mecklenburg hire 1,081 permanent, full-time employees, plus a rather large number of temporary workers in season. No one can say exactly how many of those could be cut out if the City and County combined forces—or if the City separated itself from the County. But it is clear that the great majority of the County employees are actually working for the City alone—because the City needs are so great, and because the City pays 68 per cent of all taxes, including about 75 per cent of the County's levy.

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U. S. Balks At Paying Half Costs Strong Economy, Appeal Voiced

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—(AP)—Sen. Arthur H. Vanderberg, Republican, Michigan, today sharply attacked the proposed United Nations budgetary plans with the flat assertion that the United States was not ready to pay 50 per cent of the administrative costs as suggested.

Vanderberg, a United States delegate to the U. N. leveled his broadside at the whole financial setup which the General Assembly advanced today to a subcommittee to begin the task of debating more than 50 items on a crowded agenda.

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Pistol-Packing Pastors Ministers Declare War Against Ohio City's Underworld

STUEBENVILLE, Ohio.—(AP)—Asserting that they are "not in the least afraid of the underworld," eleven Protestant pastors today demanded the right to wield guns, and to select twenty World War II veterans to aid them in stamping out a crime wave which has resulted in three Jefferson County slayings within ten days.

Demands for a vice squad of "pistol-packing" pastors were made in a letter to City Council signed by Rev. Robert K. Russell, president of the Stuebenville Ministers' Association, and 10 members of the group as Mrs. Phyllis Savage, 17-year-old expectant mother, was scheduled to undergo an undetermined charge in the fatal shooting Wednesday night of her Navy veteran husband, Homer, 19.

"We believe you are as anxious to clean out the racketeers as we are," the pastors told Council. "It is evident that the Mayor, the City Director and the Chief of Police are either unable or afraid to do anything about the situation."

"We will pay for our own bad guns, our own arms and equipment, and acting as an independent vice squad, we will bring the gamblers and the cheaters in."

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New Coal Contract, More Pay Called For

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers called for demand for a new contract and higher pay before Government officials in person today as soft coal diggers in West Virginia laid down their tools in emphasis.

Four thousand miners at Williamson, W. Va., stayed home while negotiations between the Government and the U. M. W. representatives were starting here.

OWNERS COMPLAIN Owners of the mines, insisting that the Government declined to confer with Lewis was politically inspired and that any concession would be "a public disgrace."

Lewis, president of the union, asserted himself from the start of the conference which was attended by the U. M. W. Administration.

Neither side would comment on the progress of the negotiations as they resumed until later in the day.

In line with Lewis' contention that the Government has breached the agreement, the U. M. W. Government is running the Federal Coal Mines, Lewis said.

As the meeting opened the bituminous coal operators negotiating with Lewis, he said that the Government had decided to respect its contract with Lewis and that the decision had been made by "a handful of men."

The private operators have had no authority except as managers for the Government in operations since last May 29 and Lewis said that the Government contract could not be respected but that Krug had been terminated.

The mine owners asserted that the decision had been made by a handful of men and that the Government officials to whom the operators referred.

Action Against Spain Predicted Production Mills' Job

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—(AP)—Action by the United Nations resulting in a possible concerted break in diplomatic relations with Franco Spain was predicted by many U. N. delegates today.

The time of action to be taken remained undecided, but it was apparent from the general debate in the United Nations Assembly that the new international organization can no longer ignore the issue.

Andrej V. Vishinsky, Soviet Vice Foreign Minister, expressed his opposition to the Spanish issue, saying that the United Nations should not be used to support the Spanish cause.

He said it was "a unanimous market opinion" that the situation would be accelerated "should the United Nations Council be called."

He said in a statement that there has been widespread talk that the "boom in textiles" is over, "of customers not wanting goods, of outpourings of various items, all of them carrying the suggestion that supply has caught up with and outrun demand."

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OPA Stripped Down Price Lids Off Nearly 100 Items

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Price controls were lifted from nearly 100 more items today as OPA took on the appearance of a skeleton left over from Halloween.

The new list included paper and wood matches, milking machines and other dairy equipment, some lighting fixtures, a few lumber items, and a long line of industrial machinery.

It was issued as the price agency took sweeping action toward decentralizing its price control program on approximately 10,000 OPA items in December.

Even more immediately, OPA ordered the lifting of price ceilings, 1,642 of them, locked up for good on Monday.

Today's decontrol announcement said the latest list of articles was freed "because their supply is in approximate balance with demand, or because they are unimportant in business or living costs."

Table with 2 columns: Dept. and City. Rows include Police, Health, Tax, Court, Accounting, Treasurer.

Truman Grooms St. Louisians

ST. LOUIS.—(AP)—President Truman arrived here by train early on Monday and immediately appeared on the radio to greet a crowd that grew to see him.

For Permanent Headquarters U. S. Asks U. N. To Consider N. Y. City And Frisco Bay Sections

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—(AP)—The United States asked the United Nations today to consider the San Francisco Bay area and New York City for its permanent headquarters.

Weather

Clear to partly cloudy and continued unseasonably warm this afternoon, tonight and tomorrow.