

BEEF PRICES
Problems of the cattle "feeders" the man who fattens beef cattle for the market, are explained today by Hal Boyle. His article is on the editorial page.

NEW PALESTINE ISSUE

Three City Groups Back Auditorium Bond Issue

Research Council In Approval Of Project

Plan Outlined At Meeting

By DICK YOUNG
Charlotte News Staff Writer

The third group endorsement of the proposed \$2,500,000 bond issue for construction of an adequate municipal auditorium came last night when the Community Research & Development Council, meeting for dinner at the Barringer Hotel, put its stamp of approval on the project.

Previously, endorsement from two governmental bodies had been given the auditorium when last week the Charlotte Planning Board and the City Council yesterday reiterated its endorsement with adoption of an official resolution.

At last night's session of the Research & Development Council was the adoption of the Council's official resolution which had been read before the group of influential business and professional leaders.

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The annual Duke University dinner will be held at 5:30 P. M. at First Church for alumni and friends of the school. At the time the newly-elected dean of the Duke Divinity School, Dr. Bosley, will address those present.

The Rev. Dr. Harris, in observing the anniversary of the board of education, is speaking at 7:30 P. M.

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Distilling Moratorium Protested

Unemployment Is Predicted

By DONALD SANDERS
WASHINGTON (AP)—A labor protest against a projected 60-day holiday from distilling threw a new obstacle today in the path of the grain conservation move which most industry officials accepted as inevitable.

An A.P. Distillery Workers' Union official, John E. McKiernan, said in Frankfurt, Ky., he anticipates the organization will seek a meeting with Chairman Charles C. Jackson of the Citizens Food Committee to protest the move.

He estimated 100,000 persons would be thrown out of work by the holiday, and said, "charity should begin at home." A 50 per cent shutdown for a 120-day period would be preferable from the workers' standpoint, McKiernan said.

As a prominent industry official predicted, 60-day shutdown will start about Oct. 25, there were these other repercussions:

Tax experts figured the Government could lose as much as \$472,536,000 in liquor taxes. The estimated loss of 120 million production figures for November and December and assumes a continuation of present level of production. It would not be immediate, since taxes are paid as stocks are withdrawn from storage. It could conceivably be made up by increased production later on.

Industry officials said there will be little or no effect, so far as liquor consumers are concerned, on the 120-day holiday. The estimated loss of 120 million production figures for November and December and assumes a continuation of present level of production. It would not be immediate, since taxes are paid as stocks are withdrawn from storage. It could conceivably be made up by increased production later on.

U. S. Robot Planes Smash Sonic Limit

Experiments Revealed

By ROBERT S. BALL
Staff Correspondent of The Detroit News

CLEVELAND (AP)—American robot rocket planes have crashed the sonic barrier at blistering speed in the neighborhood of 1,700 miles an hour, a high Government official revealed today.

The flights have been carried on for months from a lonely island off the Virginia coast, where the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) is operating a small experimental station.

FASTER THAN SOUND

This disclosure of American progress in the field of supersonic flight—which is light faster than the speed of sound—was prompted by publication Wednesday of accounts from England that the 100-mile-an-hour flight of pilotless rocket craft.

The English experiments, the American rocket ships are launched at high altitude from a fast-flying bomber.

Telemetering devices installed in the robot automatically transmitted the flight data to servers aloft and on the ground.

Silence Of Big Powers Irks Small Countries

Effort Made To Speed Debate

By MAX HARBELSON
LAKE SUCCESS (AP)—Mounting small power resentment against secret maintenance by the United States and Russia on their respective Palestine policies flared into the open today but failed to speed up declarations from those major powers.

Sir Mohammed Zafarullah Khan, delegate from Pakistan, argued over the delay in the big power policy statements, proposed that the United Nations Assembly should be asked to speed up the debate immediately without hearing the great nations.

Dr. Herbert V. Evans of Australia, committee chairman, said he had sympathy with Khan's suggestion but that he had to follow established rules of procedure. He said there was a "reasonable" chance that the Palestine debate might be closed Saturday.

Hector David Castro of El Salvador, who had been expected to be fixed for delegations to get on the speakers' list.

Secretary of State Marshall did not attend today's Palestine session but he was said to be keeping close watch on the Palestine problem. Marshall had an appointment in New York City tomorrow when he will meet with the Arab League.

Representatives of Russia and the United States remained silent today. They already had been urged by the United Nations Assembly to speak up as soon as possible.

An authoritative source said the United States expected to make an opening Palestine statement Saturday. Russia declined to indicate when it would speak, but the United Nations official said the Soviet delegation had said it would speak after it had heard the U. S. statement.

The Soviet Union's official said Russia had stated definitely that she would not speak until she had heard the U. S. statement. The best available information was that the American declaration would be made tomorrow.

A member of the Soviet delegation insisted that Russia's policy was to partition Palestine or to partition it into a Jewish national country.

The United States, on the other hand, reported yesterday by a leading Assembly delegate to be prepared to support the partition plan with "high degree of support." This, however, could not be confirmed officially.

The debate was opened by Emir Abdel Arif of Syria, who followed by a speech by the other Arab states against both partition and a federalized nation, and said the Assembly was dealing with the "most important problem of the world." He did not identify the country.

Noted Layman Speaks

Holmes Addresses Methodist Meet

By NANCY BRAME
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Delegates to the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, meeting here at Charlotte's Dilworth Church, gathered today at 1 P. M. at the YMCA for a laymen's luncheon and for an address by Dr. Harry N. Holmes, lay leader of the New York City Conference.

The conference, which continues through Monday, also gave delegates an opportunity to hear addresses by Harold A. Bosley, newly-elected dean of Duke Divinity School, at 1:30 P. M. and the Rev. Dr. Pierce Harris of Atlanta, Ga., at 7:30 this evening.

Reports on the erection of the Methodist Home for the aged here at Charlotte, the erection of first ballials for the election of clerical and lay delegates to the General Conference, and the receiving into membership of a class of young ministers were the main business sessions were held today at 1:30 P. M. and another at 7:30 P. M.

Continued financial support for the Methodist Home for the Aged was the main business session of the day. The Rev. Dr. C. M. Pickens, manager, if the Home is to meet the demands made today by this building, the Rev. Dr. C. M. Pickens said. It was asked that Mothers' Day again be designated for special contributions to the Home.

Bishop Cotten J. Harrell, head of the Birmingham area, today addressed the class of young ministers receiving into membership of the Conference. He urged them to persevere in their lives and the lives of others by Christianity and piety.

U. S. Solons See Franco

Madrid Visit Scheduled

MADRID (AP)—The Smith-Mundt Joint Congressional committee left for Lisbon by plane today after a two-day visit in Spain, during which Rep. Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.) and two other committee members conferred for an hour and a half with Generalissimo Francisco Franco in El Pardo Palace.

The group is scheduled to have lunch today with Portuguese Foreign Minister Antonio de Matta on arrival in Lisbon. Portugal will be the 22nd country the Congressmen have visited in their tour.

Mundt said there were no differences among the Congressmen over the visit to Franco. He said they had agreed that those who had other appointments would keep them and that those who wanted to visit Franco would do so.

Pressed by newsmen for some comment on the meeting, Mundt appeared to have been on the point of replying when Judd declared he would interrupt his colleague if Mundt tried to say anything about the talks with the Spanish dictator.

Mundt told the news conference the meeting with Franco grew out of an earlier talk with Foreign Minister Alberto Martin Ariza. All the committee members except Sen. Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) spent more than an hour with Martin Ariza. Senators Barkley (D-Ga.) and Hatch (D-N.M.) refused to comment on the visit of the three to Franco.

Francisco, dressed in the uniform of an Admiral in the Spanish Navy, received Mundt, Judd and Smith in his private office. The members of Congress were accompanied by Edward M. Moffitt, second secretary of the legation; and John Easton, the committee's technical adviser.

Elmore Named Fire Chief
By Belmont City Council

BELMONT—Parks Elmore was named as fire chief and Charlie Smith as assistant fire chief at this week's meeting of the local City Board of Aldermen.

Severe Typhoon Lashes Two Jima

Guam (AP)

GUAM (AP)—A devastating tropical typhoon "sat down" on tiny Iowa Jima leveled some buildings and left others little more than twisted steel and wood, a faint radio message picked up by the Coast Guard station here reported today.

The message, heard this afternoon, was the first communication from the island since 800 miles north of Guam in more than seven hours.

It contained no word of how some 300 Army, Air Force and Coast Guard men and their dependents fared in the island's predicament.

The typhoon brought sustained winds of 120 miles an hour, with gusts up to 160 miles, the message said. It reported a 10-foot sea, with waves and 140-mile winds, losing its top-side gear.

The landing ship reported it was being blown 30 miles inland by the typhoon's edge. It sought permission to enter the harbor at Chichi Jima, north of two.

French Red Leader Critic Of U. S.

PARIS (AP)—An interference in the French political situation was charged today by Communist Party leader Georges Lemaître, who accused Premier Paul Ramadier and Foreign Minister Georges Bidault of "betraying the national sovereignty."

"Everybody knows," Lemaître declared in an article in the front page of the Communist newspaper "Humanite," "that the French government ordered the Communists out of the Government."

Lemaître, who is a member of the Cabinet several months ago and took all the portfolios away from the Communists.

Probe Promised

Sen. McCarthy Hits High Lumber Prices

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Many Chinese Reported Killed By Tidal Wave

HONG KONG (AP)

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The Royal Observatory here said the typhoon, which swept up from the Philippines, "filled up" yesterday, leaving a low pressure area around Swatow, but that it might have struck the coast of China before dissipating. However neither the observatory nor Chinese maritime customs had heard the report.

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Nubbins' Condition Called Satisfactory

Denver (AP)

DENVER (AP)—Forest (Nubbins) McCarthey, who was injured in a fall from a tree in the mountains in 1944, showed the sympathy and generosity of the nation, was reported "very satisfactory" condition today following a critical operation.

The 45-year-old Chagway, Wyo., had probably will undergo another surgery operation in January after the operation performed yesterday. The surgeon who operated was the same one who had performed a similar surgery on a bladder obstruction of the boy's three years ago. The boy's condition had been so poor that he was in a coma for several days before to provide Nubbins an early Christmas celebration in the belief that he might live.

Weather

Mostly cloudy with light showers ending today. Clear tonight, becoming fair, with moderate temperatures Saturday.

Temperature at 2 P. M. today... 75
High and low last night... 73-54
Sunlight today... 6:58
Sunrise tomorrow... 6:58

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WEEK-END MEALS

The time to shop for the week-end is Friday, and your best bet for Friday shopping is the Thursday food pages in The Charlotte News. You'll find the best values in town advertised by the best shops in Thursday's Charlotte News Food Pages. Make these pages your shopping guide.

The Charlotte News

Tense Moment In A Church

Thug Uses Pastor As Shield, But Cop Draws A Bead Anyway

PINDLAY, Ohio (AP)—An unidentified gunman was wounded today by police after he escaped from the police station and held them off for more than an hour by threatening to kill Rev. John Evans Knox of Trinity Episcopal Church.

The gunman and a companion, identified as Lindell Brown, 29, of Greenville, Ky., were taken to the police station for questioning by two officers.

Shortly after they arrived, Brown's companion drew a revolver from his coat, brandished it before Det. Sgt. Glen Hardy and shouted:

"I'm getting out of here."

Two other officers quickly shoved Brown into a cell block, and the gunman sprinted down an alley without attempting to rescue Brown.

Officers began running after the fugitive and, after he had traveled two blocks, he noticed Mr. Knox, a Navy chaplain in World War II, standing outside the church.

He jammed the gun into the pastor's side, ordered him into the church and warned police to "kill him if you try and capture me."

Police surrounded the church, and radioed the Highway Patrol for aid. State Patrolman R. C. Vanderveen was the first to arrive.

He took off his shoes, and gun in hand, sneaked into the church, and began crawling toward the gunman and Mr. Knox, who were near the front of the church.

Vanderveen said that as he neared them, he saw a chance to risk a shot. The bullet missed, but Knox grappled with the gunman as Vanderveen ran forward. The gunman twisted at his waist, the bullet hit Vanderveen's leg, and he was shot again—this time striking the fugitive in the back.

He was taken to hospital in a critical condition.

U. S. Sailors Fined For Custom Evasion

BOSTON (AP)—Two American sailors, William Vincent Wolfe, 22, of New Orleans, and James E. Sullivan, 21, of New York, were fined \$440 each yesterday on a charge of attempting to evade payment of duty on 34 pounds of cigarettes.

Customs officers said the men were found with a box of 34 pounds of cigarettes and a search of their baggage revealed the contraband to light another store.

'Underground' Printers Given Prison Terms

JERUSALEM (AP)—A Jerusalem court today sentenced three Jewish men to prison for seven years for printing and distributing leaflets for the Jewish underground organization, Irgun Zvai Leumi.

A fourth defendant, father of the two brothers, was acquitted.

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