

French Reds Set Back As Transport Strike Fails

MOLOTOV CRIES FOR GREEN

Subway and Bus Walkout Called Off

By CARL HARTMAN PARIS—(AP)—The Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labor (CGT) suffered a sharp setback today when a two-day strike of Paris subway and bus workers, scheduled to begin this morning, apparently collapsed.

Senate Approval Asked Vandenberg Lauds Defense Treaty

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Senate, asked to approve a treaty providing for mutual defense of America against aggression, was told today that it contains "no paralyzing veto."

Cotton Crop Is Estimated

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Agricultural Department, in its final report of the ten-year average, estimates this year's cotton crop at 11,694,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight.

Mental Institutions Improved Cherry Describes Hospital Work

By TOM FRENCHMAN The Governor today announced that the State's mental institutions, which have about 250 patients, can be moved from the Caswell Training School at Kinston to the new facilities at Camp Butler at Durham.

Negro Given New Trial

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Supreme Court today unanimously ordered a new trial for Eddie (Busby) Patton, Mississippi Negro, who was sentenced to death in the electric chair in the killing of Jim Meadows, a white man.

Civil Service Strike Incomplete

By ERNEST B. VACCARO KEY WEST, Fla.—(AP)—President Truman ended a five-day Florida vacation today and departed at 10:30 A. M. (EST) for Washington aboard his official plane to complete a message to Congress on plan recovery.

Billions In Reparations, Zone Merger Repeal Asked

Under Western pressure, Molotov detailed Russia's demands on reparations and repeal of the Foreign Ministers' Council communique.

Los Angeles Has Bumper Baby Crop

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Without the slightest idea of starting an oral argument with Philadelphia, City Health Officer George M. Uhl said today that 1947 will register a bumper crop of 40,000 babies in Angles.

Waterfowl Season Opens In State

RALEIGH—(AP)—The waterfowl hunting season opened in North Carolina today.

Cotton Export Plan Discussed

NEW YORK—(AP)—A spokesman for a group of cotton producers and the National City Bank of New York said today that a credit plan which would allow the United States to export cotton to the United States Army.

Leaves For Capital President Ends Florida Vacation

Refreshed and sun-tanned by five days of relaxation at his "White House" Mrs. Truman appeared in excellent physical condition. He had shaken off the weariness of his long-range European tour.

Atomic Wage Talks Held

OAK RIDGE, Tenn.—(AP)—With the strike deadline for 3,000 CIO workers in the area of the atomic bomb, there were more than 24 hours distant, company and union negotiators took up today the top issue—the union's 25-cent blanket wage demand.

Old Land Young Again

Up in Davie County, Kenneth F. Hoops has done a great job of applying conservation methods to old land. He has taken over his Dad's 211 acres on the Home Place, and in four years of conservation, it has grown as much corn on five acres as they ever grew on 30 acres before.

Religious Education Case Before Tribunal

WASHINGTON—(AP)—An atheist mother's fight to ban religious education classes from public schools in the District of Columbia was before the Supreme Court today for a final decision.

Kids To Learn How To Drink

VANCOUVER, B. C.—(AP)—Classes on the wisdom of moderation in drinking alcohol will be taught in the British Columbia grade and high schools, education minister Gordon Warner, Acting Minister of Education, disclosed today.

Monroe Robbery Is Investigated

MONROE—Local police were today continuing their investigation of the looting of the safe at the Monroe Hotel, which was held by Planners Drive, sometime Friday night.

Women Bridge Champs Robbed

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—(AP)—Two women who won the national open pair championship sponsored by the Atlantic City Women's Bridge League last night, returned to their homes today to find their purses had been robbed for \$4,000 in jewels and furs to a thief.

Senator Reveals Homes Of U. S. Officials Searched In Romania

Schoenfeld, minister to Romania since Nov. 20, said the complaints arose prior to his arrival and that protests were made to responsible Romanian diplomatic officials.

13 SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

WEATHER Showers today, followed by clearing and colder tonight.