Here's Howe

The big time golfers come to Charlotte Thursday for the annual Charlotte Open tournament. Yesterday, they finished up a tourney in Greensboro. Sports Editor Ray Howe was on hand, today gives the full story in his column on the sports page.

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U. S. PLANS TO EXTEND AID TO KOREA

Marshall Proposes Cut In German Occupation Forces

U. S. Paper Circulated At Moscow Conference

Slash In Costs Advocated

MOSCOW — (AP) — An authoritative source disclosed tonight that Secretary Marshall had proposed that the Council of Foreign Ministers in effect order a reduction of Allied occupation forces in Germany to the minimum necessary to carry out Allied policies and protect security.

The proposal was made in a paper circulated among V. M. Molotov, Ernest Bevin and Georges Bidault, the Russian, British and French Foreign Ministers, it was learned.

Under the proposal, the Allied Control Council for Germany would be directed to report by next June 1 what forces it considered necessary for each of the four zones on July 1 and give a similar estimate for July 1, 1948.

THREE PAPERS PASSED

The paper on occupation forces was one of three passed around by the American delegation to the other Foreign Ministers.

The other papers covered proposals for German democratization and on compensation for Allied nationals whose property had been removed from Germany for reparations or war booty.

In the occupation paper, Marshall asked the Council of Foreign Ministers — which was in recess today — to declare that a reduction of forces and occupation costs is necessary to make the German economy self-supporting as soon as possible, and to help expedite German production for export.

The paper on democratization set forth the following main points as representing what the United States wanted in the way of a democratic Germany:

1. Every German state and federal constitution should contain specific and effective guarantees of freedom from search, seizure and arbitrary arrests and guarantees of other basic human rights.

2. The Allied Control Council should be instructed to require observance of the principles of freedom of political action for national political parties, whose leaders would be elected by the membership and responsible to it. Elections throughout Germany should be under four-power supervision and inspection.

UNION RIGHTS

3. Freedom for trade unions, with leaders responsible to the membership, would also be guaranteed and the federation of trade unions would not be allowed to impose on the financial or organizational autonomy of member groups.

4. Freedom would be required for the circulation of ideas and the media which to carry the ideas throughout all Germany, except for the requirement of military security. Marshall specifically said that all such media should be free from the domination of any German Government, national or local.

5. Freedom would be guaranteed for the movement of Allied personnel and goods throughout Germany on any form of transportation, including air, and present restrictions would be eliminated except for those which may legally be imposed on individuals by judicial bodies, or those which the Control Council might order as necessary for military security and occupation duties.

Tremors In Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador—(AP)—Strong earth tremors were felt here last night, but no damage or deaths were reported.

Carolina Farmer One Year Old!

Today is the first birthday of the CAROLINA FARMER, the farm and garden pages of The Charlotte News. In today's four-page issue you will find news, pictures and features about farms and farmers for your information. You won't want to miss the CAROLINA FARMER today and every Monday in

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Finished Without Settlement

Allis Workers File Back As 328-Day Strike Ended

MILWAUKEE — (AP) — The longest major strike in the nation, UAW-CIO Local 248's bitter and spasmodically bloody struggle at the home plant of the Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., ended without a settlement today as lines of production workers filed quietly into the vast works.

A company check showed "slightly less than 5,000" production workers reporting on the first shift. On Friday, the last working day before the strike ended, 4,300 production workers reported. A company spokesman said other workers "probably would trickle back" as they left temporary jobs held elsewhere.

West Allis Police Capt. Harvey G. Dieckhoff said there were no clashes between union men and employees who remained at work or returned to their jobs during the 328-day-old strike.

Members of Local 248 who filed into the 155-acre plant today began receiving an 18 1-2 cent per hour wage increase which non-strikers had been getting since last August. By company estimate the strike cost $85,000,000 in lost production and wages.

NO CONTRACT

The strikers returned without a contract. Only 1,500, by union count, voted in yesterday's balloting and union spokesmen said members favored returning by 3 to 1.

When the strike started last April 30 the union claimed 11,000 members. An independent union, formed while strike was in progress, however, mustered more than 4,000 votes at a Jan. 26 bargaining election.

Still unsettled were union demands for a 25 cent hourly wage hike, union shop and union control of grievance procedure.

The vote was followed by warlike statements in which both the company and union declared they would "continue to fight."

Robert Buse, union president, said "our fight must now be carried on inside the plant." He called the company "arrogant and despicable" and said the union would "never surrender."

"We will go back without a contract before we will sign a sweat shop agreement. We will continue our fight—no matter how long it takes," his statement said.

Company President Walter Geist, in a letter to employees,

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Training Flight

Army Plane Crash In S. C. Kills 3

SUMTER, S. C. — (AP) — A C-45 Army transport plane crashed before dawn today in the nearby Boonetown section of Kershaw County, killing all three of its occupants.

Deputy Sheriff N. A. Myers of Kershaw County, who investigated, said part of the plane burned on landing and wreckage was strewn for 75 yards.

The plane was reported on a night training flight from Pope Field, Ft. Bragg, Fayetteville, N. C. The Army withheld identification of the dead pending notification of next kin.

The Army Air Base at Shaw Field, Sumter, S. C., which sent ambulances and fire trucks, said the plane apparently attempted a forced landing at an unlighted auxiliary landing strip fifteen miles north of Camden, S. C.

Coroner Purdy Lee of Camden investigated.

Shaw Field said the transport crashed at 3:55 A. M.

40 Miles Go Dead

London Subways Slowed By Flood

LONDON — (AP) — Forty miles of London subways went dead today in a chaotic aftermath of flood conditions on the Thames, vastly complicating traffic at the morning rush in the world's largest city.

The London Passenger Board said debris from the Thames clogged filters which clean the river water in cooling the subway's largest power plant, causing its shutdown. Earlier, floodwaters were reporter to have seeped into the power station.

Floods spread in still more areas of northern England, wiping out crop prospects over many acres.

Outside London, York was the major flood sufferers as the swollen Ouse River virtually cut the industrial city of 100,000 in two. Fire fanned by a strong wind burned for eight hours in the three upper decks of the 22,424-ton British line Monarch of Bermuda, in drydock at Hebburn-on-Tyne.

Virtually everyone was late to work in London. The dead subways caused Londoners to travel by strange and devious routes. Service was stopped entirely on two main subway routes and slowed on the other three. Seventy subway stations were closed.

Long lines stood at stops for busses, trolleys and taxis and before telephone booths. Some formed at the better hitch-hike locations.

Fire Sweeps British Ship

HEBBURN-ON-TYNE, Eng.—(AP)—Fire of undetermined origin swept the three upper decks of the 22,424-ton British liner Monarch of Bermuda as she lay in drydock here today.

The blaze, fanned by a strong wind, was discovered shortly after 3 A. M. and raged for more than eight hours before it was brought under control. There was no immediate estimate of the loss.

More than 200 firemen poured tons of water into the vessel. Five of the firemen were injured and many were overcome by fumes.

CAUSE UNKNOWN

There was no indication of the cause of the blaze, which an owners representative said was "very serious."

Early last year fires broke out in twelve ships in British ports within a five-week period, causing reports—denied by Scotland Yard—that a "sabotage ring" was operating.

The Monarch of Bermuda, owned by Furness, Withy & Co. Ltd., entered drydock six weeks ago after having carried 160,000 British and American troops some 400,000 miles since 1940.

She served as an evacuation ship during the fall of France and the threat to Egypt, as a troop transport in the North African campaign and carried the first contingent of Canadian troops to Europe.

27,000 Vets Move To Reinstate Insurance

WASHINGTON — (AP)—The Veterans Administration said today that 272,000 World War II veterans have applied for reinstatement of National Service Life Insurance policies worth $1,500,000,000 since a reinstatement program began Feb. 3.

More than 10,000,000 veterans had allowed policies worth $100,000,000,000 to lapse after their discharge from service. They have until Aug. 1 to reinstate their policies without a physical examination upon payment of two monthly premiums.

Cherry Names Morris Judge

RALEIGH—(AP)—Solicitor Chester R. Morris of Lincolnton. The dead subways caused Londoners to travel by strange and devious routes. Service was stopped entirely on two main subway routes and slowed on the other three. Seventy subway stations were closed.

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"Polk?" said Charles W. Tillett, the lawyer. "Why, yes, James K. Polk is a hobby of mine, been one for years. I've made speeches all over the place trying to get people of Mecklenburg County to take more interest in him.

"Why, a few years ago I conducted a one-man campaign, trying to stir up interest, trying to get a big bronze monument, or a portrait, or something to do more honor to him."

Mr. Tillett leaned far back in his swivel chair in his sixth floor Law Building office. Through the window, the County Courthouse formed a backdrop. The lawyer took off his glasses and balanced them on his leg.

"It seems to me there's a lesson in democracy for our young folks in Polk," he said. "Explain democracy to them, let them know about this little boy in Mecklenburg County who grew up to become the President of the United States. This business about how any boy can grow up to become President may be a little bit overdone, I don't know. But anyhow, it helps to explain democracy when you can say that right here in the county was a boy who did become the President.

"You know, there are plenty of people right here in the county today who don't even realize that James K. Polk came from here."

Mr. Tillett got to his feet and paced the floor as he talked now. Occasionally he gazed out the window.

"There's a little stone thing put up at his birthplace down there beside the Pineville Road. Some of the women got up money and did that years ago. But you don't notice it, unless you're looking for it."

We mentioned other historical points that Mecklenburgers talk about with a lot more interest: Andy Jackson's birthplace, and the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

"Well, Mecklenburgers talk about those because they're both controversial," said the lawyer. "Get something they can argue and fuss over, and Mecklenburgers will talk about it. There's nothing controversial about Polk or where he came from. Why, I always said the first thing about the Mecklenburg Declaration was that some people doubted its authenticity. If it was a fact that couldn't be argued about, Mecklenburgers would've forgotten all about it years ago.

"And I don't know about Jackson, whether he was born on the North Carolina side or South Carolina side of the line. All I know is that his mother was trying her best to get to South Carolina at the time. Whether she made it before Andy was born, it doesn't matter much.

"But here we have Polk now. He was a good President. Look what he did. He was good Scotch-Irish, right out of old Mecklenburg, full of Knoxes and Polks, and he knew how to trade and get things. Why, he's the one who got Texas, and Oregon (remember 54-40 or fight?) and he got New Mexico, Arizona, California, nearly all that territory out there."

(And Polk was the 11th President, and he and Henry Clay called each other names. Polk was a tough one, all right, spent his first eleven years in the rugged farming country just south of Charlotte, and moved to Tennessee with his family. He died in 1849.)

"I wish we could get something done," said Mr. Tillett. "North Carolina ought to take more notice of the man. Only a short time ago I was talking to Hamilton Jones, to see if he couldn't get something through Congress. And we're going to try to get a statue in Raleigh. I don't know why people here never took much interest in the man. I've tried to stir up interest before, but didn't stir up anybody.

"Wait a minute, I believe I did, too. I think Harry Dalton got interested."

120 Charged In Korean Strike

SEOUL—(AP)—Metropolitan Police Chief T. S Chang today announced the arrest of 120 persons throughout American-occupied South Korea on charges of fomenting a 24-hour strike of railroad and utility company employees.

Truman Will See 'Big 6'

WASHINGTON — (AP)—President Truman will meet with the bi-partisan Congressional "Big Six" in a unprecedented night meeting at the White House tonight.

The meeting, to be held in the residential part of the Executive Mansion, is set for 8 P. M. (EST). The White House did not disclose the reasons for the conference.

The "Big Six" is made up of four Republicans and two Democrats, as follows:

Senator Vandenberg, Republican, Michigan, President Pro Tempore of the Senate; Senate Majority Leader White, Maine; House Speaker Martin, Massachusetts; House Majority Leader Halleck, Indiana; Senate Minority Leader Barkley, Kentucky, and House Minority Leader Rayburn, Texas.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross said the meeting was called by Mr. Truman.

MEETING DELAYED

He explained that it was originally planned for this morning, but then delayed until tonight to suit the convenience of the Congressional leaders.

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Wine, Beer Bills Before Legislature

Lawmakers Aim At Adjournment

RALEIGH—(AP)—North Carolina legislators, shooting for speedy adjournment, will return here tonight to tackle wine and beer prohibition measures and the permanent improvements bill, both of which are due to come before the House tomorrow.

The controversial wine and beer bills were reported favorably last week by the House Finance Committee. One bill would outlaw the sale of wine and authorize local authorities to regulate the sale of beer in seventeen counties. Another bill provides for regulation of beer in six other counties.

Opponents of the wine and beer bills say they will reduce State revenues by at least $1,000,000 a year.

The $48,432,256 permanent improvements bill includes appropriations for the Medical Care Commission's "Good Health Program", including $6,250,000 to be matched by Federal and local funds for building hospitals and medical centers throughout the state, and $3,790,000 to be matched with $1,500,000 in Federal funds for a four-year medical school and teaching hospital at the University of North Carolina.

The four-year medical school and teaching hospital may be attached on the floor, but it won such overwhelming support in the Joint Appropriations Committee last week that its approval by the two houses seems virtually assured.

Passage of the permanent improvements bill will bring State spending projected for the 1947-49 biennium to a record total of $360,025,342.

MEASURES DUE

Measures due to come before the House tonight include:

1. A bill to pay legislators $6 a day subsistence and travel allowance supplement to their legislative pay of $600 a session.

2. A Senate-passed measure under which tobacco farmers would vote on the question of assessing themselves to support an organization devoted to increasing the export of tobacco;

3. A measure to appropriate $350,000 annually to allow school teachers five days of paid sick leave;

4. A Senate-passed bill allowing an increase in taxing powers of municipalities for general purposes from $1 to $1.50 on the $100 valuation;

5. A bill to authorize a vocational school for veterans at Camp Butner;

6. A measure to create a commission to study the State's educational system; and,

7. A bill to set up a commission to study the possibility of reducing the amount of local legislation handled by the General Assembly.

A possible scrap over the "gag rule" seemed in the offing, as Rep. Rex Gass of Forsyth, chairman of the House Rules Committee, said his group would consider early this week a resolution to amend the rule to permit a member to demand roll call votes on controversial measures.

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REUNITED AT ARRAIGNMENT—Reunited for the first time since they were jailed March 19, Beulah Louise Overell and George Gollum embrace at their arraignment on a charge of murdering Miss Overell's wealthy parents aboard their yacht. The yacht was dynamited in Newport Harbor. Arraignment was held at Santa Ana, Calif. (AP Wirephoto).

Couple Held

Evidence Growing In Yacht Slaying

SANTA ANA, Calif. — (AP) — New evidence which he described as "terrific" was claimed by Sheriff James Musick today in his inquiry into the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Overell, wealthy Los Angeles couple, aboard their pleasure cruiser in Newport Harbor March 15.

He said it was "not at all clear" how much money would be needed. But he promised that when the State, War and Navy Departments completed an estimate of the situation, Congress will be asked to pass on any expenditures to be made.

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He said he knew of no steps to notify the United Nations of the projected American action.

But the latter point was raised with Acheson by Senator Vandenberg, Republican, Michigan.

To the Senator's question as to whether there were any plans to notify the United Nations, Acheson replied that this Government can't very well notify an international organization its intention until Congress decides final policy by supporting or rejecting the President's proposal.

He noted that the Export-Import Bank has earmarked $500,000,000 for a possible loan for China, that Congress has authorized aid for the Philippines and that this Government had spent nearly a billion dollars in Italy since that country surrendered without notifying the U. N. of any of these actions.

Observing that the projected aid

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Resume Hunt For Plane

NEW YORK—(AP)—Air and ground rescue parties started out at daybreak today to resume their search for an Army transport plane missing in Newfoundland with ten persons aboard.

The Air Transport Command here said visibility in the search area was good. The plane, a C-54 Skymaster, was en route from Westover Field, Mass., to Harmon Field, Stephenville, Newfoundland.

Another Army C-54, carrying a crated Coast Guard helicopter and a Coast Guard crew of one officer and eight enlisted men, left Floyd Bennett Field this morning for Harmon Field to join the search.

Gambling Wives Arrested On Complaint Of Hubbys

BOSTON — (AP) — Six Roxbury housewives were fined $10 each today in District Court for playing poker on the Lord's Day.

They were arrested in a police raid yesterday.

The complainants — their husbands.

By Tom Fesperman

The Overells' daughter, Beulah Louise, seventeen, and her fiance, George Gollum, 21, are held on murder charges in the dual tragedy. Musick did not disclose the nature of his new "evidence."

The bodies of Overell, 62, Los Angeles Finance Co. head, and his wife, Beulah, 57, were found dead aboard the shattered hulk of the 47-foot cruiser after an explosion had wrecked it as it lay at anchor. Musick said a quantity of unexploded dynamite and the remains of what was apparently a time clock were found aboard.

NNPost-mortem examinations indicated, said Musick, that both had been slain by blows on the head. He said that the head of a ball peen hammer, a machinist's tool, found on the craft, apparently fitted indentations in the skulls of the Overells.

Both Miss Overell, a freshman journalism student at the University of Southern California, and Gollum, husky premedical student at Los Angeles City College, deny all knowledge of the Overells' deaths.

Sheriff's Lt. Harry Nuffer reported he had received a phone call originating in Philadelphia, from an unidentified man who claimed he had sepn a "friend" kill the Overells.

The mysterious caller told Nuffer he would turn the solution over to Philadelphia police today, but authorities there said they had had no word from him.

School Row Over Petting Ended

WILLITS, Calif.—(AP)—Willits High School opens its doors today with a new principal, virtually a new faculty and the hope an Winter-long feud over alleged students petting is a thing of the past.

Fred Leonard, the new principal succeeding Ray Good, hired ten teachers to replace those who quit when Good resigned. Good's stand last Fall against what he termed petting in school corridors set off a series of student strikes. In a special election, voters named a School Board majority that opposed Good's policy. The regular Spring vacation was extended until today.

There are thirteen teachers in the 380-student school.

Dendramis Named Greek Envoy To Washington

ATHENS — (AP) — Vassili Dendramis, Greek delegate to the United Nations, today was named Ambassador to Washington, subject to the approval of the United States Government.

Dendramis has held the rank of Ambassador in his post with the U. N. Greece has not had an Ambassador to Washington since Simon P. Diamantopoulos died from a heart attack last December.

Prospect Of Far Eastern Move Cited By Acheson

Russia Blocks Economic Unity

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Undersecretary of State Acheson said today that the United States must invest funds to put Southern Korea on a sound economic basis because Russia has blocked any agreement for a unified government of that country.

Acheson mentioned this prospect when testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in support of President Truman's plan to bolstark Greece and Turkey against Communism.

He did not say how much the Korean project may cost, but said the War, State and Navy Departments are considering it.

REDS IN NORTH HALF

Soviet troops occupy the northern half of the country, which contains most of Korea's natural resources, Acheson said. He added that it would be a "struggle" to put the southern part of the country, now occupied by American troops, on its economic feet.

"We have attempted for more than a year to reach an agreement with Soviet Russia for a unified government of the country but have not been able to do so," Acheson commented. "Failure presents a very serious problem."

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WEATHER

Partly cooler tonight and Tuesday.

Temperature at 2:30 today 68
High and low last 24 hours 86-57
Sunset today 6:27
Sunrise tomorrow 5:52

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