

NEW SCHOOL PLAN NEAR IN VIRGINIA

Would Assign Pupils According To Health, Scholarship, Welfare

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—Virginia's Commission of Public Education was reported today...

The Richmond News Leader said under a plan gaining support from the 32 commission members...

The paper said the plan would follow this line: The various school boards would have set up...

ASSIGNED BY BOARDS After the registration, the boards would assign pupils to schools on the basis of health, educational attainment...

If the plan is approved by the commission, it will be recommended to Gov. Thomas B. Stanley as a policy procedure to substitute for the state's outdated segregated schools...

The News Leader said the commission, named by Gov. Stanley to chart a new public education course for the state...

Repeat the state's compulsory school attendance laws and reduce the State Board of Education's powers to set educational standards...

'VIRGINIA PLAN' The Education Commission, in session here today, was presented last night with a "plan for Virginia" for maintaining segregated schools...

The Defenders, a recently-organized group boasting 3,000 members across the state...

A key proposal in the Defenders' plan presented by J. B. H. Collins, Collins Denny Jr. of Richmond, said the General Assembly should "enact such laws as may be needed to prevent the execution of one dollar of public money, state or local, in the support and maintenance of any racially mixed public schools."

Other points in the Defenders' plan included: Amending the state constitution to empower the General Assembly to "adapt such laws as in relation to schools as the welfare of this people requires."

Amend the state constitution to authorize use of public funds to subsidize private schools in localities where "it becomes necessary to close the public schools."

Passage of laws by the General Assembly making money available to "meet the private schools of parents of children of those localities in which the closing of public schools may be compelled."

Calling on assemblies and elected representatives to state their position on school segregation and offer leadership on a state level.

'Grandma' And 'Shorty' Mark 10th Anniversary

LOUISIA Ky. (AP)—"Grandma" Sprouse, 88, started today off with a breakfast of eggs and hotcake prepared by her husband, "Shorty," 69 years her junior, as they embarked on their 10th year of marriage.

The voyage has been a tranquil one, except for that exciting trip to New York after their honeymoon nine years ago, when Shorty was 19, Grandma (Mrs. Martha Mattie Lyons Large Sprouse) told a newsman.

"Didn't like it up there" in New York, Grandma said. "The houses is too close together and it just didn't smell right."

Shorty (Delbert) ducked out of their little cabin on Cat Hollow shortly after the newsman arrived.

Our Weather

Fair to partly cloudy today with mild temperatures. Considerable lightness tonight and tomorrow with a chance of scattered showers tomorrow.

High yesterday—74. High today—78. High tomorrow—80. Low this morning—53. Low tomorrow—58. Sunrise 5:08 a.m.; sunset 7:37 p.m.

More Weather Data on Page 9-A



THE NET involving tennis queen Maureen Connolly, 20, now is of the wedding petticoat variety. Her wedding to Norman Brinker, 24, will take place Saturday. The honored petticoat is shirred with the bride's flower, lily of the valley. (AP Wirephoto)

For Doctors, Too

Peacetime Draft Extension Pushed

By EDWIN B. HAAKINSON

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate Leaders moved today for quick action on extension of the peacetime draft and the separate draft act, both due to expire at the end of this month.

But they delayed a decision on an appeal by President Eisenhower to rescure the administration's manpower reserve program designed to swell the size of the nation's security reserve which could be called to active duty at once in event of national emergency.

Chairman Russell (D-Ga.) invited opposition witnesses before the Senate Armed Services Committee for testimony on the separate laws for drafting youths from 18 to 26 years and physicians and other medical specialists up to 30 years.

Senate Republican Leader Knowland of California said discussions were under way, meanwhile, about starting the controversial reserve manpower measure through the Senate.

This measure was shelved in the House when Rep. Powell (D-N.Y.) successfully moved to attach a provision which would forbid racial segregation in the House.

ITALIAN PAINTER DIES ANCONA, Italy.—Francesco Perotti, 48, noted Italian painter, died here yesterday. His paintings were shown in many international exhibitions.

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State To Step Up Tax Collection Campaign

Agreement Seen In GM, Union Talks Negotiators For Both Appear Confident

By NORMAN WALKER

DETROIT (AP)—Negotiations for General Motors Corp. and the CIO United Auto Workers appeared confident today they will reach a contract settlement before a Sunday midnight strike deadline.

They kept mum on the trend of the talks, under a strict secrecy agreement. But they went back and forth from negotiating sessions in high humor like men without too many worries.

It was quite a contrast from the grim air that hung over the Ford Motor Co. bargaining last weekend before an agreement was reached Monday for a three-year contract including a modified guaranteed wage plan.

Another bargaining session was scheduled for early afternoon. WALKOUT'S SUBSIDE Meanwhile, scattered walkouts of both GM and Ford workers across the nation were subsiding, although about 25,000 GM workers and 5,000 Ford workers were reported still idle.

The UAW has warned both GM and Ford workers to get back to their jobs. Reuter sent telegrams to all GM plants saying work stoppages were "sabotaging national negotiations." Last night the union notified Ford strikers they would have no protection against company disciplinary action for idleness beginning today.

The continuing GM strikes were at St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Linden and Trenton, N.J., Los Angeles, Kansas City and Parma, Ohio. The Ford walkouts were centered at aircraft and auto assembly plants at Kansas City. Nearly all workers had returned to Ford's big Rouge plant at nearby Dearborn, Mich.

It was generally believed that GM was working out a package contract offer for the UAW containing income insurance for workers while unemployed, plus boosts in wages, pension insurance and holiday and vacation benefits.

Molotov Arrives For Paris Visit

PARIS (AP)—Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov arrived in Paris by plane today for a luncheon with Premier Edgar Faure and Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay.

The Russian is en route to the United States to attend the United Nations anniversary session in San Francisco June 20-25.

Diplomatic observers said they are sure Molotov and the French officials will discuss both the Soviet invitation to West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer to visit Moscow and the projected Big Five top level conference.

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THEY'VE VOLUNTEERED to live underground for three days. The family of John R. Christmas of Houston, Texas, will test life in an H-bomb shelter for a civil defense trial. Going underground are Mr. and Mrs. Christmas and their two children, Stanley, 14, and Max, 11. The shelter where they'll be is 13 feet deep and located in the back yard of a residence. (AP Wirephoto)

Procurement Probe

Lev Tells About Contract Changes

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP)—Chicago bid maker Harry Lev acknowledged today he was able to "guarantee" in advance that government procurement officers with whom he was friendly would approve a change in specifications for a big Air Force contract.

But he insisted there was nothing wrong or strange about that. His testimony followed punitive action by the government against those of the procurement officials who have been lined with his activities.

The testimony came at a public hearing before the Senate investigations subcommittee at which Lev, trying desperately for laughs to lighten the grim atmosphere, invited one of the Senators to "be my guest" for a meal of green turtle steak. He claimed peculiar virtues for the food but did not go into detail.

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Self-Employed People Face Thorough Check

RALEIGH (AP)—The State Revenue Department will lease space in the new internal revenue building in Greensboro so it can check every federal income tax return of North Carolina's self-employed.

The move, Revenue Commissioner Eugene Shaw said today, is part of his department's plan to collect on errors or delinquencies from two tax sources in the next two years.

The department will start hiring the first of them next 25 deputy revenue collectors who will be assigned exclusively to follow up on errors or delinquencies uncovered by the Greensboro staff.

The self-employed are primarily businessmen, doctors, lawyers, and farmers. It is anticipated two million dollars a year in additional revenues will be recovered from the self-employed group under the plan, Shaw said.

SALES TAX DRIVE In addition, 25 field deputies will be hired to work exclusively with merchants and others who are required to pay sales taxes. It is anticipated they will add 1 1/2 million a year to the state's tax income.

The program is in line with Gov. Hodges' drive for stricter compliance with the state's tax laws. He expected seven million in additional revenue plus a vital part in the state's budget for the next biennium.

Shaw plans to hire about 90 employees under the program at a cost of \$6,982 over the two-year period. The key personnel will be 50 field deputies and a six-man auditing staff at Greensboro.

Others will consist of the clerks and staff to operate the IBM machines the department rents and without which the program would be impossible.

SCHOOL PLANNED Because of this big enlargement of the department's staff, the department's auditors and fieldmen will be sent to school for three weeks. Early in July an advanced refresher course will be given for the department's current roster of 250 field representatives. Later in the month a similar course will be given for the new personnel.

The courses will be held at Chapel Hill under the supervision of the Institute of Government. Instructors will be former directors and supervisors of members of the attorney general's staff.

Boost Would Affect 169,200 Tar Heels

RALEIGH (AP)—An increase from 75 cents to \$1 in the national minimum hourly wage would affect approximately 169,200 Tar Heel workers—better than one-fourth of the state's industrial working force.

It was reported today by State Labor Commissioner Frank Crane following action of the U.S. Senate order that the President's proposal to increase in the hourly wage minimum instead of the 15-cent boost recommended by President Eisenhower.

CRANE, who had no comment for or against the proposed increase, said the President's proposal to raise the minimum from 75 cents to \$1 would affect about 169,200 workers in North Carolina.

He reported that in April the average pay of Tar Heel factory workers was \$127 per hour. Industries on which the heaviest impact would fall if the 25-cent increase is approved would be tobacco processors (redrying and stemming plants), lumber mills, fertilizer plants, meat packers, warehousemen, wholesale businesses, garment makers and seamstresses, hosiery mills, Crane said.

The wage bill approved by the Senate now goes to the House. If passed there and approved by the President it would become effective next Jan. 1.

20 Feared Lost In Ship Fire

RAMSGATE, England (AP)—A British tanker burst into flames after an English Channel collision early today and 20 of her crew were feared lost.

Rescue ships drawn to the scene by the glow of flames saved 21 of the crew and the only woman aboard the 10,788-ton Johannisbus. Several survivors were hospitalized.

The Air Force announced last night it has filed court-martial charges against Capt. Raymond Wood, who formerly headed military clothing procurement activities in New York. Wood is now in New York, where his wife gave birth to a baby Monday, but is assigned to Dayton, Ohio, pending action on the charges. He could be court-martialed here and the Belgian case. Although fire broke out aboard the Buccanener, it was soon brought under control.

Publishing List Was Stimulant City Tax Collection Moves Fast

By DICK YOUNG, Charlotte Staff Writer

Almost \$100,000 of city personal delinquent taxes has been collected in the last three weeks. Since the first publication of delinquent personal property taxpayers \$9,645.71 has been collected.

John H. Mills, city revenue collector, said the publication of the list of delinquent personal property accounts has had a stimulating effect on tax payments.

SETTLEMENTS MADE The advertisement included delinquent accounts for 1951, 1952 and 1953 but settlements have been made on prior years.

The payments of \$9,645.71 in the last three weeks include settlements on accounts for 1953 all the way back through 1946.

And another beneficial effect from the advertisement was increased payments on the current tax levy, Mr. Mills said.

The payments on 1954 taxes stand now at \$6,004,536.23 which represents 94.67 per cent of the delinquent accounts said his office is prepared to go a step further.

In 1954 payments already exceed the budget estimate of 94 per cent collection during the current year.

The record also shows that collections are reaching the point of near completion and for a 10-year period of 1953 through 1949 per cent-plus of the annual levies has been collected.

The 1953 uncollected balance is 14 per cent of the levy and the uncollected balance for 1944 is 57 per cent of the levy for that year.

STEP FURTHER Mr. Mills referring to the current effort to obtain collections of delinquent personal accounts said his office is prepared to go a step further.

For those who do not heed the public advertisement and communications from his office there is the prospect of garnishment of their wages or levy on their personal property.

However to those who show willingness to pay, every cooperation will be extended, Mr. Mills said.

PARTIAL PAYMENTS Mr. Mills explained that partial payments will be arranged for those unable to pay all of their tax due but who show willingness to make some effort to pay.

Since collection is arranged for delinquent list personal letters have been sent to some of the delinquents urging them to come in for settlement.

We are making every effort to obtain collection of unpaid accounts so that the conscientious citizens who pay their taxes will not be penalized by those who fail to square their tax accounts," said Mr. Mills.

Evening Prayer

Teach us, O Lord, to serve Thee as Thou desirest to give and not to ask the cost; to labor and not to ask any reward save that of knowing we are Thine; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.