



State Department Says:

Abandonment Of Formosa Demanded By Red China

U. S. Gives Answer To Red Charge

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The United States accused Red China today of demanding American abandonment of Formosa as the price for joining in a real renunciation of the use of force.

Striking back at Red Chinese charges of American stalling in talks at Geneva, the State Department issued a summary of four months of those discussions and said:

"The Communists so far seem willing to renounce force only if they are first conceded the goals in such they would use force."

WITHDRAW FORCE

The State Department officials said Red China's goals were to get the United States to withdraw its small defense force from the Formosa area, abandon its base rights there and cancel the mutual defense treaty with Nationalist China.

These officials said the United States would never do these things and asserted the American position in defense of Formosa is not negotiable with the Reds.

It therefore appeared that the Geneva talks which began Aug. 1 and produced an agreement on exchange of civilians Sept. 10 are now lightly decked on the question of renouncing the use of force.

DIDN'T LIVE UP

The State Department charged again today that the Communists have failed to live up to the agreement to release imprisoned Americans.

Negotiation on further questions, especially the Communist desire to end the American trade embargo and to set up a meeting between Secretary of State Dulles and Foreign Minister Chou En-Lai, seems completely stymied by the deadlock.

The Americans are still held in Communist prisons despite the Sept. 10 agreement. State Department informants contended that the Reds are using them as pawns in the bargaining, to be ransomed by American concessions.

How long the deadlock holds, in the American view, probably will depend on whether the present propaganda exchanges between the United States and Red China bring a reaction in world opinion which persuades the Reds to make substantial concessions in their position.

STRONG STATEMENT

The State Department, which has accused Communist China of "distorting" the Geneva talks, set forth its position in a strongly worded statement giving its side of the story.

Six Killed In Car Wreck

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP)—Six persons were killed today when their automobile smashed into the rear of a truck loaded with lumber. State Trooper James Cox reported.

The victims, all Negroes, included two men, two women and two children.

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In 'Triangle' Slaying

Taylor Sentenced To 30-Year Term

By ANN SAWYER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Thomas Walter Taylor, convicted of second degree murder in the slaying of the "other man," has been sentenced to 30 years by Judge J. C. Rudisill who termed Taylor's young wife "the most brazen witness I have ever seen in my experience in court."

Taylor drew the sentence shortly after 9 p.m. yesterday. The white, all-male jury deliberated six hours and 47 minutes before returning its verdict, one of five possibilities.

Taylor will be eligible for parole after serving seven-and-a-half years of his 30-year sentence. The state law provides that, "All prisoners shall be eligible for a hearing on application for parole when they have served a fourth of their sentence."

Defense attorneys Marvin L. Rich and T. O. Stennett immediately gave notice of appeal to the State Supreme Court, and Judge Rudisill set the appeal bond at \$15,000.

SCORES WIFE
In passing sentence on the 34-year-old construction worker, Judge Rudisill said that his only regret was that he could not pronounce judgment on Mrs. Taylor instead of on her husband.

But, he added, no man has the right to take the life of another man because his wife is unfaithful to him, or because she "goes bad on him."

Commenting on the conduct of Taylor's wife, a 23-year-old waitress at the El Moro grill on the Graham St. Judge Rudisill said that she had made a "joke out of it."

He called her the "moving power" behind the slaying of Talmadge Alene Parker by her husband.

COURTROOM FELL
The trial, which began with Taylor's arraignment Tuesday, has been witnessed by an overflowed courtroom crowd. And last night as the jury returned at 8:01 the courtroom was over half filled.

Since the Jan. 3 shooting in the Merita Grill parking lot, Taylor has contended that he killed Parker because he was breaking up his home. His wife testified that she had known Parker for three or four months and had seen him every day during this period.

They met at various drive-in restaurants and on the day of the fatal shooting were parked in the W. Trade St. grill lot. Taylor said that from the car trunk where he was hiding that all three of the white escapees were in the isolation section of the camp.

CAMP OFFICIALS
Camp officials said the three men had absolutely nothing on except their undershorts, and were even barefooted.

They said two of them were serving terms for breaking and entering and larceny, and the other for non-support.

The Charlotte man was listed as Charles Earl Duncan, 21, of 209 S. Ramsey St.

The other two were listed as Robert Lemmons, 28, who they said has only one eye, from Archdale, Calif.; and Mitchell Curtis, 25, of Leakeville.

CEMETERY WORK
BARTON, Fla. (AP)—Working in the cemetery is the punishment given five Lake Wales high school boys who dug up a grave after realizing of grave robbing in Charles Dickens' "Tale of Two Cities."

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SNOW COVERS EASTERN PART OF NATION

It's a snow-clad Saturday almost everywhere east of the Rockies. That would include Texas (above) where three youthful hunters armed with bow and arrow and slingshot enjoyed a school holiday in the wilderness of a Dallas park—and Ohio (left) where a snow-fall got in the hair of Gov. Frank J. Lausche, a candidate for the Senate seat formerly held by the late Robert A. Taft.

These AP Wirephotos make the raw weekend appear an altogether jolly affair—and Charlotteans who are in for only "cloudy and cool" weather may not be able to sympathize with folks in:

Bemidji, Minn., where yesterday's low temperature was minus 23.

Snowbound Fargo, N. D.

The Dakotas, Iowa and Wisconsin, where almost all points reported below zero readings.

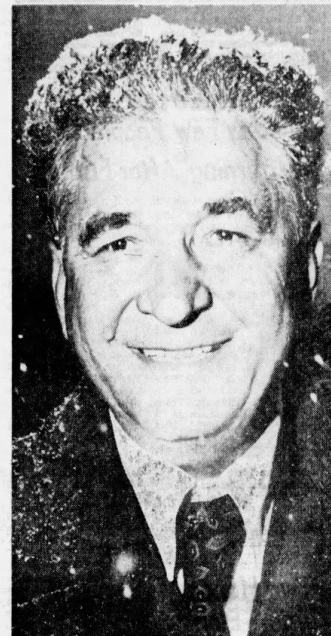
Alexandria, Minn., where the day's high was 11 below.

And "sunny" Florida, still tettering on the brink of winter, where Tallahassee reported lakes frozen.

Snow flurries were flicking spots from the West Coast across parts of the Rockies into the Plains and Great Lakes region this morning.

The Ohio governor and the Dallas hunters are going to be frosted as far ahead as the weatherman can see.

All of which makes that lucky old sun which was beaming down on Charlotte at noon today seem very lucky indeed.



Gold Turns Down Rate Increases

Insurance Hike Rejected

RALEIGH (AP)—Requests for rate increases totaling more than five million dollars in annual premiums were turned down yesterday by Insurance Commissioner Charles F. Gold.

The rejected proposals: A drastic hike in extended coverage rates, amounting to an estimated \$3,800,000 a year, asked as a result of heavy losses from Hurricane Hazel in 1954.

FIRE RATES

A rise of \$1,489,027 in fire insurance rates, with a 25 per cent increase in rates on farm property making up \$900,562 of the total. The North Carolina Fire Insurance Rating Bureau filed the requests. At a public hearing before Gold on Jan. 11, opposition was voiced by the North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co., the Farm Bureau Federation, the North Carolina Assn. of Insurance Agents, and others.

Extended coverage, written as an endorsement to fire insurance policies, insures against damage from winds and storms. The proposed increase would

have doubled the rate on dwellings, and would have raised by 50 per cent rates on all other classes except risks of wind-resistant construction.

The bureau also had suggested a deductible plan under which property owners would have paid the first \$50 of damages, and suggested the elimination of radio and television antennas from coverage. These would have been insured under separate policies.

As a result of hurricane losses, Gold said there is a "recognized need" for a rate adjustment on extended coverage. The bureau's proposal, he added, "goes too far, does not appear to be in accordance with sound rate-making principles, nor is it in the public interest."

A differential in fire insurance rates for farm dwellings was abolished by the Insurance Department several years ago. Efforts by the rating bureau to return to the differential have been rejected.

Gold said the request for rates 25 per cent higher on farm dwellings conflict with state law forbidding discrimination in rate making.

ing. He also pointed out that the bureau did not show less experience of five years on farm dwellings in extended coverage insurance as required by law.

From the hearing, he added, "There can be no finding of fact that farm dwellings are so essentially different...that there could be a differential in rates."

Waters Thinks Ruling A Temporary Measure

A Charlotte insurance agent who helped lead the fight against an increase in extended coverage insurance rates said today that the decision by Commissioner Charles F. Gold is in his opinion "definitely temporary."

Martin Waters, president of the Charlotte Association of Insurance Agents, expressed this personal opinion: "I think the decision is definitely temporary because insurance companies appear due to get some increase. I think they will file again."

"Therefore, I predict that increases are in the offing, but not necessarily in this part of the state."

Did Alabama Legislature Adjourn? Legal Advice On Mystery Sought

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—Alabama lawmakers sought legal advice today on what to do about their special session of the Legislature which was adjourned despite an angry chorus against adjournment. Or was it?

Speaker Rankin Fite gave a sine die adjournment through the House yesterday in the midst of an outburst of "no" votes so loud that it drowned out the vice. Then he left the chamber.

After his departure, a majority of 61 House members refused to accept the verdict and remained to reorganize and elect a temporary presiding officer.

Through his house floor leader, Gov. James E. Folsom had announced his plan to call another special session beginning Tuesday to consider education needs.

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Meter Reader Not Taking Any Chances

BENDERSON, Ky. (AP)—A certain meter reader is taking no chances on being mistaken for Leslie Irvin Henderson County was the scene of three vicious slayings traced to the "mad dog killer."

Aware of the unreasoning created by Irvin's escape from jail in Indiana, where he was sentenced to life for another killing, the unidentified route man for the municipal power plant made his rounds yesterday with this placard pinned on his back: "Meter man. Don't shoot."

Our Weather

Partly cloudy and cool today. Fair and cool tonight. Tomorrow, rather cloudy and not so cool with a chance of rain by tomorrow night.

Low this morning—23.

Low tonight—34.

High yesterday—41.

High today—50.

High tomorrow—50.

Sunrise 7:29 a.m.; sunset 5:10 p.m.

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ON THE VERGE of tears, William Brooks consoles his weeping wife, Elaine, at the Chicago County morgue yesterday after a coroner's jury decided death of their 7-month-old son, Albert was due to natural causes. The couple told of taking the infant to a clinic and two hospitals in an effort to discover his ailment. Their son died of pneumonia. (AP Wirephoto).

Ike Will Fight For His Policies

WASHINGTON (AP)—Either as a candidate or as a "worker in the ranks," President Eisenhower has promised to battle "with all my strength" for the policies of his administration.

Despite the uncertainty which he viewed his role, Eisenhower's promise of support last night cheered more than 60,000 Republicans whose "salute to Eisenhower" dinners (up to \$100 a plate) raised an estimated five million dollars for national, state and local GOP campaign purposes.

Responding to demands that he run again, Eisenhower said "my future role remains undetermined, whether to be a candidate for your nomination or a worker in the ranks." But he promised his help in either case.

The President arose smiling and outwardly hale and hearty to return the salute of 53 diners throughout the country. But tears clouded his eyes as he acknowledged the tribute, saying "The

Republican who cheered his entrance with Mrs. Eisenhower, gowned in purple and carrying American beauty red roses, left no doubt that they would like to help him make an affirmative decision.

Neither did the closed circuit television flashbacks, from Los Angeles to New York, leave any doubt that the Republicans saluting his third anniversary in the White House have in mind any other candidate but Eisenhower.

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