Work Stoppage Urged In Support Of Bus Boycott

THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

★★★★★ FINAL

Established Dec. 8, 1888.

Largest Evening Newspaper In The Two Carolinas

Charlotte, North Carolina, Saturday February 25, 1956

34 Pages—Price Five Cents

MARCH 28 DATE SET BY PASTOR

Would Be Coupled With Day Of Prayer For Deliverance

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Negro leaders have called for a one-hour work stoppage March 28 by all members of their race throughout the nation in support of the Negro boycott against segregated buses in Montgomery, Ala.

Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY) yesterday made a call for the work stoppage and said it would be coupled with a day of prayer.

A spokesman for Negroes said in New York that prolonged national work stoppages and mass fastings by the nation's Negroes were possibilities if the racial crisis in Alabama is not resolved. He said members of all races and faiths will be urged to join with the Negro demonstrators.

Powell, Negro pastor of a 15,000-member New York congregation, said the demonstration March 28 would be designated "National Deliverance Day of Prayer" and that no Negro of any age would attend school or work between 2 and 3 p.m.

A spokesman said this might be a forerunner to a possible "National Mahatma Gandhi-type movement." The late Indian leader made famous a passive resistance program of fasting and nonviolent opposition to British rule.

While plans for the work stoppage were being made in New York, Negroes walked the streets of Montgomery in a mass 24-hour pilgrimage to prove their willingness to walk if necessary to carry on their 11-week-old boycott in protest against segregation on city buses.

Ninety of them walked to the courthouse in Montgomery for arraignment on antiboycott indictments returned by a grand jury Tuesday. All pleaded innocent and their trials were set to start March 19. A court officer said 10 more warrants were outstanding. This brings the number of defendants to 100.

Defense attorneys filed demurrers contesting the indictments which charged violation of Alabama's law against "illegal" boycotting. Maximum penalty under the law is six months in jail and a $1,000 fine.

ALWAYS ALERT to check political winds, an old hand in the Democratic Party (right) is ready to instruct new blood (left) in the intricate maneuverings of this presidential election year. They stand as symbols of alert voters, fearless in their determination to seek the right man. (Jack Williams photo).

Our Weather

Cloudy, windy and warmer with scattered showers or thundershowers today and early tonight, followed by clearing skies and cooler weather late tonight and Sunday.

High yesterday—58.
High today—75.
High tomorrow—60.
Low last night—49.
Low tomorrow morning—45.
Sunrise 6:58 a.m.; sunset 6:15 p.m.

More Weather Data on Page 3-A

No Second Term Hint

President Ends Georgia Vacation

THOMASVILLE, Ga. (AP) — President Eisenhower ended a south Georgia vacation and left for Washington today at 11:09 a.m. quite likely with his mind made up whether to seek re-election.

There has been no hint from the President whether he will bid for a second term. No hint, for that matter, whether he has reached a decision.

But he has indicated he will announce his plans about March 1, so the general impression is that he probably has decided on his course. He may disclose his decision at a news conference tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, but there is nothing definite as to timing.

One thing Eisenhower has done here—he has subjected his physical stamina to a rigorous test. He has engaged in by far the most outdoor activity since his heart attack Sept. 24 in Denver.

Eisenhower returned to the White House Jan. 9 after a two-week rest in Florida and said he was ready to resume "the full duties of the presidency."

He spent the next five weeks in Washington giving himself an idea of the impact of official business. Then 11 days ago he traveled to Thomasville and engaged mostly in testing his physical endurance.

He hunted seven or eight times for quail and wild turkey, spending from two to nine hours in the fields each day he chose that activitity. Yesterday it was nine hours with time out for a lunch outdoors. He and Humphrey each brought down 12 quail, the legal daily limit.

A week ago yesterday he played his first round of golf, nine holes, since his illness. Subsequently he played two 18-hole rounds. After the second such round he hunted two hours, then stayed up playing bridge until a half hour past midnight.

Evening Prayer

Our Father, help us as we struggle homeward to keep the memory of Thy love alive in our hearts. May we take courage, knowing that Thou dost understand the struggle and dost await our homecoming with tender love and compassion, even as Thy Son hath portrayed Thee unto us. Amen.

Twelve Persons Killed In Wind, Dust Storms

Disagreement Voiced Over Red Strategy

Senators At Odds With Dulles Claim

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles appeared confident today the United States and its allies can defeat Russia's new "united front" strategy of world conquest with little change in their own activities. Others disagreed.

Dulles told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday Russia's post-Stalin leaders are scrapping 30 years of Soviet policy based on violence and intolerance in trying to devise new plans because their old programs "have failed."

He declared they have made "very little progress" in their attempts to take over the world and he said their new efforts to employ economic aid and similar measures to penetrate foreign countries mean they are "playing our game."

"We can beat them at that game," he confidently declared.

In the course of the 3¾-hour session, Sens. Mansfield (D-Mont), Barkley (D-Ky) and Humphrey (D-Minn) took issue with Dulles' assertions of confidence, and Sen. Morse (D-Ore) said as the hearing concluded that "I don't share that optimism at all."

Humphrey and Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala) called today for a change in U. S. policies to meet the Soviet maneuver. Humphrey said Russia's change of policy "is a clear indication we should change ours." Sparkman called it "tragic" that, as he put it, "we haven't shown sufficient change to meet these developments."

On the GOP side, Sen. Aiken (R-Vt) said the Democrats tried without success "to find a weakness in Dulles' policies and in Dulles." And Sen. Saltonstall (R-Mass) said Dulles' testimony "made sense."

Aiken said he saw a "tinge of politics in the questioning" of Dulles by the Democrats and added:

"The only thing some of our statesmen have in common with George Washington is the hatchet."

NEW STRATEGY

The committee hearing dealt almost entirely with Russia's new strategy and with the Middle East crisis. It was called primarily to go into the sale of 18 tanks to Saudi Arabia, last week's brief embargo on arms shipments to the Middle East, and the refusal so far to sell 50 million dollars worth of arms to Israel.

Dulles argued repeatedly that though he understood Israeli fears of Egypt's growing power, the security of Israel cannot be assured by its engaging in an arms race with the Arab bloc.

NOW YOU CAN AIM AT THE SEAL

(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Hunter)

DOORS AT THE COLISEUM and David Ovens Auditorium have been giving some spectators a bit of trouble. Some people just haven't noticed the big sheets of clear glass. Preoccupied, or talking to friends, they've kept right on walking — smack into the doors. Now City seals have been placed on the doors, to give people something to aim at.

Mid-U. S. Struck By Twisters

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tornadoes in southern Illinois and dust storms in four Southwest states killed at least 12 persons, injured an undetermined number and caused extensive property damage today.

Tornadic winds struck destructive blows in at least four communities in southern Illinois, across the Mississippi River from St. Louis. The death toll was six and officials expressed fear it may go higher. The number of injured had not been determined immediately.

Severe thunderstorms and tornadoes were reported during the night in northeast Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas but details were not immediately available.

HIGH WINDS

In the Southwest, the season's worst dust storm lashed eastern New Mexico, Oklahoma, West Texas and parts of Kansas. The storm, with wind gusts up to 95 m.p.h., was blamed for six deaths in traffic accidents on highways where visibility was virtually zero. The sixth victim was blown from an oil field rig near Ada, Okla.

The tornadoes in southern Illinois struck East St. Louis, Millstadt, Summerfield, and Trenton as a storm moved into the area from the Southwest. One twister skipped along a 10-mile stretch in Illinois south of St. Louis along the Mississippi. Then it veered eastward along Highway 50 for about five miles into the Summerfield area.

Several homes and farm buildings were destroyed. In Summerfield, where at least two were killed and seven injured, 10 homes were leveled. There were no lights in the town of 400 and the fire station and all equipment were destroyed.

RESCUE OPERATIONS

Thirty airmen from the Scott Air Force at nearby Belleville, Ill., were sent into the storm belt with supplies and to aid in rescue operations.

Windy weather also was reported over most of the middle and lower Mississippi Valley with the southern Plains getting the tornadic blows.

Rain, showers and scattered thunderstorms were reported in the Ohio Valley, the lower Great Lakes region and in Missouri. Light snow fell in parts of Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and the Northern rockies. Showers sprayed areas along the West Coast as far south a northern California.

Mostly fair weather prevailed over the Dakotas, Wyoming and southward through Colorado and New Mexico. Skies also were clear in Arizona and the southern half of California.

Southerly winds continued to bring warmer air over the Gulf Coast region and the Southeastern States and from Texas northeastward to the Ohio Valley.

Two Santas Help Flood-Hit Town Celebrate Christmas In February

YUBA CITY, Calif. (AP) -- Two Santas are here today to give the children of this flood-ravaged town some of the belated cheer, and presents, they missed when they had to flee the day before Christmas.

About 1:30 a.m. Dec. 24 a Feather River levee broke at nearby Shanghai Bend, letting in a wall of water which smashed hundreds of houses and flooded almost the entire town of 12,000.

There wasn't much warning and when the waters finally went down 39 dead were found, some in automobiles silted over their tops. Sixteen thousand acres of farm land south of town are still inundated.

"Santa Claus rudely awakened," headlined the town weekly as the two jolly fellows in red arrived yesterday to start the gift-giving at a carnival on the Main St.

One asked which of the squealing children had been good and which had been little monsters.

But it was Gov. Goodwin J. Knight who got the greatest applause. That was when he told the several thousand people gathered in the cool spring sunshine the state must build a giant dam on the river to control future floods.

A million-dollar patch more than a mile long has been made in the levee but the river still curls darkly by.

Loudspeakers blared Christmas carols along with a tune called "Reindeer Rock" as the kids rode free on the ferris wheel. Sixteen jets roared overhead. Entertainment from Hollywood was promised for today, with three tons of toys being handed out.

Blossoming almond trees dot the city, softening the vistas of houses still torn open, some of them back on their foundations, others lying as the water left them.

Bathtubs and beds are still lying about. On one roof is a giant toy panda. Across the street a mama doll lies broken in a bed of rubbish.

Christmas in February was inspired by the Inglewood, Calif., Lions Club, which first started a toy drive. Then the local Lions and almost everyone else in town took it up.

The toys eventually came from as far away as New York City, Chicago, Seattle, Vancouver, B.C. and Santa Barbara.

"It is unbelievable," said Mayor Glenn Gauche, "that people will still remember a Yuba City Christmas."

Korean Unity Predicted By Evangelist Graham

SEOUL (AP)—American evangelist Bill Graham arrived today from Tokyo and said "hungers for God" prevailed wherever he went during his nine-week Far Eastern tour.

The 37-year-old evangelist said in a brief planeside interview, "It is a terrible thing that Korea is divided. But it will be united, I am sure."

Scores of American missionaries, their families and high ranking military leaders were on hand to greet Graham, the tall, handsome, blond-haired evangelist.

Asked when the unification of Korea would be realized, he said, "I am no prophet. But it will be united soon."

Asked if he is willing to go to North Korea to preach, Graham said beamingly, "Well, if you fellows take me there. But I doubt if I can, now." Graham said, "What thrills American people is the strength of your (Korean) people, of your churches, the fact that one out of every 18 people in your country is Christian, and that so much of your leadership is Christian."

He said he had not planned to come to Korea but changed his mind. This is Graham's second visit to this war-devastated peninsula. During the last winter of the Korean War, Graham, wrapped in an Army parka, walked through frozen front line trenches shaking hands with hundreds of American soldiers.

Of his current tour, Graham had this to say: "I saw the hungers for God everywhere I visited. Till then I thought the hungers were limited to the United States."

In his self-sponsored campaign through Asian countries, he visited India, Thailand, the Philippines, Formosa, and Japan. During his 37-hour stay in South Korea, he will hold seven meetings with U.S. soldiers and Koreans. Tomorrow he will visit front-line troops and hold two revival meetings for U.S. service men. In the afternoon he will address a Korean rally in Seoul. He will fly back to Tokyo Monday morning.

IT'S DOUGLAS OR ERVIN AT 4 O'CLOCK

The locked vault of Manufacturer's Trust Co., which holds the answers to the $64,000 Question, has nothing on the locked door of the State Board of Elections today.

At 4 p.m. this afternoon, Ben E. Douglas and Paul Ervin were to knock on said Elections Board door. Joe Maxwell of that office — usually closed on Saturday—had made special arrangements to be there.

Then either Mr. Ervin or Mr. Douglas was to file for the 10th District Democratic Congressional seat.

There was no break in the shroud of secrecy surrounding the doings of Mr. Douglas and Mr. Ervin today. They met with Gov. Hodges this morning and a report to The News immediately following the conference revealed the above procedure.

Who'll be the candidate?

Why guess and spoil the game?

Judge Rudisill Ill

Judge Hoyle Sink will preside over the civil term of Superior Court during the next two weeks in place of Judge J. C. Rudisill, who has been taken ill.

Welfare Dept. Defends Stand In Case Of Hottle Youngster

By JULIAN SCHEER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

"The spectator on Monday morning is always smarter than the coach on Saturday."

That's what Welfare Dept. head Wallace Kuralt said today in response to Judge J. C. Rudisill's uncomplimentary remarks about his department's handling of the Debra Hottle case.

Judge Rudisill criticized the Welfare Dept., when sentencing Mrs. Mary Louise Daubenmeyer—known as Mrs. Duke Hottle—to from two to four years in Women's Prison for assault with a deadly weapon on three-year-old Debra Hottle, her "stepdaughter."

"The reason this (mistreatment of the child) ran so long was the fault of the Welfare Dept.," Judge Rudisill said.

Expanding on that remark, Judge Rudisill said today the Welfare Dept. was at fault because "they did not conduct a proper investigation when the child was placed with them and when it was first reported that something was wrong at home."

Debra Hottle died Christmas Eve. The jury deliberated only 49 minutes in finding Mrs. Daubenmeyer guilty of assault with a deadly weapon in pouring hot or boiling water on the child and in banging the child's head against a bathtub.

They also found her guilty of assault in tying the child in bed, inserting paper in her mouth, and spreading human waste about her face and mouth.

NOT APPARENT

Mr. Kuralt said Mrs. Daubenmeyer's treatment of the girl was an "insidious sort of thing that was not apparent in any of our investigations of the home situation."

He said none of the charges made in Superior Court were made to the Welfare Dept. beforehand, as far as he knows.

Welfare Dept.'s investigations, he said, showed every evidence of a good home as was pointed out in court.

"Mr. Hottle," he added, "was the girl's father. We didn't ask him for his marriage license."

OTHER WARRANTS

Judge Rudisill also issued warrants against Mrs. Daubenmeyer and Mr. Hottle on charges of fornication and adultery. Mrs. Daubenmeyer admitted in court that she and Hottle were not married. She filed for divorce against John Lathan Daubenmeyer of Winston-Salem yesterday.

At 7:30 o'clock last night the couple was out on bond.

Mrs. Daubenmeyer gave notice of appeal and bond was set at $2,000. Bond for her and Hottle on the other count was set at $750.

Debra Hottle was brought to Charlotte from Virginia where she had lived in a foster home.

New Adventure Strip Starts In News Monday

"David Crane," a brand-new adventure strip about a young minister and his bride, will begin Monday in The Charlotte News.

MORTIMER

Meeting head-on the comic strip aversion to mention of God, "David Crane" builds on religious faith and motivation, but of course avoids all sectarian or doctrinal controversy.

Its artist, J. Winslow Mortimer, is a veteran of comic strips and features.

Born in Canada May 1, 1919, and educated at Hamilton, Ont., Central Collegiate, Mortimer produced two popular comic features for the Toronto Daily Star and Toronto Star Weekly — "Wilbur and the Colonel" and "Pictures and Poetry"—during the war and prior to moving to the U. S. Since, he has drawn—in very different styles—a dozen different comics for National Comics Publications Inc.

Back in 1938, Mortimer enrolled at the Art Students' League in New York City. He studied anatomy under the late George Bridgman until the summer of 1939, then began free lancing in Hamilton, Ont., including some cartooning for the Toronto Star Weekly.

Inducted into the Canadian Army in 1940, he was later released because of a perforated ear drum. He worked for an engraving house in Toronto till his features for the Toronto Star and advertising freelance art took a major part of his time. Later, war work for the Otis Elevator Corp. on special guns shared his efforts.

In 1944 he moved to New York to draw a wide variety of comics, becoming a citizen in 1948.

Mortimer is married to the former Eileen Ruth Cutting and they have three children, two girls and a boy. He lives in Carmel, N. Y., where he is a member of Drew Methodist Church. His hobbies are hunting, pistol shooting, collecting guns and restoring antique guns. He belongs to both gun and yacht clubs.

Select FOREMOST Milk Products at your favorite store.—Adv.

32 Germans Die In Train Crash

BERLIN —(AP)— At least 32 persons were killed and 40 seriously injured in a train wreck today in Saxony, Communist East Germany, ADN, the official East German news agency, reported.

The news agency said the accident occurred near the railroad station at Bornitz between Riesa and Oschatz, 100 miles south of Berlin.

A fast freight train, drawn by two locomotives, slammed into the side of an express passenger train coming from Dresden, the agency added, and all three locomotives were derailed.

One of the cars of the passenger train was demolished and several others were badly damaged, ADN said, and rescue teams dug 32 dead from the wreckage.

What's Inside

Books	6B
Classified	1-8C
Comics	3B
Editorials	4A
Features	2B
Obituaries	6A
Radio-TV	5A
Serial	2B
Sports	4-5B
Theaters	8-10A
Women	2-3A