

House Passes \$33 Billion Road Bill

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A MICKEY MOUSE CAP serves as the anchor for the traction brace on seven-year-old Cheryl Engelland's jaw. She broke her jaw in an accident on her parents' farm near Nickerson, Kan. Her dentist was the man with the bright idea. (AP Wirephoto.)

3 Motels Planned Here At Cost Of \$2 Million

Voice Vote Sends Bill To Senate

WASHINGTON (AP)—The biggest road building program in the nation's history—a billion dollars for broad, straight highways crisscrossing the country—was passed by the House today.

With it goes a higher \$14,000,000 tax bill for the next 16 years for motor America to make the 15-year program pay-as-you-drive.

The House passed the conference report on the program by voice vote in a few minutes and with no debate.

The measure now has to be approved by the Senate.



A LOG-ROLLING PREACHER is the Rev. Marjane Mallott, 36, of Delavan, Ill., shown practicing try for her entrance into the logrolling contest today in Rockford, Ill. She's a champion of the age of 18 and held it for 11 years. (AP Wirephoto.)

D. C. Hotel Man Owner Of Units

By EMERY WISTER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Three swank motels, each with its own swimming pool and restaurant, and representing a total investment of \$2 million, will be erected in Charlotte, Frank Perper, Washington, D.C., hotel operator, said today.

Mr. Perper said the motels will be operated under the Holiday franchise, and will be the last word in luxury, fine appointments and convenience.

He said he could not now divulge the exact location of the units but said he expects to come here within the next few days to close the deals for the property.

'He Done His Damndest' That's Epitaph Harry Would Like To Have

By EDDY GILMORE

LONDON (AP)—Harry Truman visited the tombs of Britain's great today and said he wanted a short epitaph on his own grave.

"Yes, sir," he remarked to reporters, "I want them to put on mine 'He done his damndest.'"

Inquest Fails To Solve Bizarre Fall From Airliner

By CHARLES KURLAT
Charlotte News Staff Writer

SHELBY — "I felt the wind rushing into the plane.

"I saw a man's head and two upraised arms in the plane door.

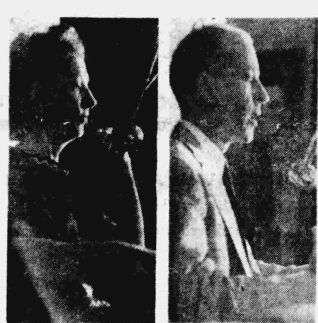
"Then I saw his feet or knees or ankles."

That testimony by Joseph B. Forrest, 965 N. Poplar St., Charlotte, was the nearest a coroner's jury came last night to finding out exactly what happened to Oren A. Pruitt.

After four hours of testimony, the jury said it was "unable to find how or why the deceased fell from the plane."

Mr. Pruitt, a bridegroom of one day, hurried to his death June 13 from a Piedmont airliner flying 6,500 feet over Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Forrest was sitting across the aisle from the fatal door. He didn't see the door open.



Mrs. Pruitt and J. B. Forrest Testify.

Little Hope's Hope: Dredge And Drain It

Commissioner Sam McNinch today said he will ask the County Drainage Commission to clear Little Hope Creek in an effort to reduce obnoxious odors.

He announced his intentions today following yesterday's two-hour tour of the creek and industrial plants in Pineville Rd.

The small creek is clogged with brush and huge rocks, preventing a flow of water.

As a result, it has become stagnant, and strong offensive odors rise from it.

However, Commission Chairman Sid Y. McAden expressed doubt that the Drainage Commission will have the legal authority to dredge the stream.

While a clearing job on the stream may help some, the county is still without legal means to stop the pollution of the stream.

Dr. M. B. Bethel, city county health officer, today repeated what he told the commissioners yesterday and warned.

"We don't know of anything we can do if we did we would have done it long ago."

Dr. Bethel offered a small ray of hope by adding that "it might be done."

Our Weather

OUR WEATHER
Partly cloudy and hot as hot today. Fair tonight. Wednesday cloudy and warm.

Low this morning 68
High tomorrow morning 69
High today 90
High yesterday 100
High tomorrow 95
Sunrise today 5:10 a.m.; sunset today 7:42 p.m.

Four Students Killed

GUATEMALA (AP)—President Carlos Castillo Armas put the army in control of Guatemala today after demonstrations in which four students were killed.

The president declared a state of siege—modified form of martial law. The army, assuming control, asked the co-operation of the people to avoid further clashes.

The deaths came last night during student demonstrations on the capital's main street against a government crackdown on Communist agitation. In addition to the dead there were 17 wounded.

The police fired submachineguns and pistols into the ranks of several hundred students who were marching toward the government palace. About half the marchers were girls.

The students were protesting curtailment of civil liberties under a "state of alarm" imposed by the president Sunday. The government charged the students with spreading Communist propaganda.

The state of siege all constitutional guarantees were suspended 30 days and military patrols took over police activities.

All radio stations were seized by the government which said its actions were "necessary to maintain order because of Communist agitation."

Soon after last night's shooting, the government ordered cessation of news dispatches sent abroad.

The students marched defiantly from a meeting at the university officials had sent them a warning message that they would be "swept from the streets" if they attempted to stage a protest.

ORDERS TO HALT
A witness said a detachment of about 20 policemen, drawn up across the avenue outside a movie theater, ordered the marchers to halt.

"The police fired into the air," the witness reported. "The students kept coming, singing the national anthem."

"Police then started firing into the marchers," which police reinforcements rushed up. Some po-

Brazil Foils Assassination

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP)—The Brazilian government announced today it had broken up a plot to assassinate president Juscelino Kubitschek and arrested an Albanian citizen.

Col. Luna Pedrosa, head of the political police, identified the man as Antonio Consilich Valentin alias Guido Antonio (Joveroni). The colonel declined further information.

Kubitschek himself said the only action that would be taken against the man would be to expel him. He declined publicity given the incident.

Authorities would not say what motivated the reported plot. The man under arrest was held incommunicado.

Evening Prayer

Our gracious Father, may we so shape our lives that we may be worthy of Thy best gifts, which Thou wilt bestow upon all who are prepared to receive them. In the spirit of Christ, we pray Amen.

Rising Living Costs Equal All-Time Peak

WASHINGTON (AP)—Living costs rose sharply in May, sending the government's index to a level equalling the all-time peak of October 1953.

The Labor Department's Bureau of Statistics said the index rose four-tenths of one percent to 115.4 from the 1947-49 base.

"This is 11 per cent above May last year and is the same that was reached in October, 1953."

Food prices in May registered their greatest increase for any month since June 1953, rising 1.3 per cent.

However, food still is slightly below last year's level and nearly 5 per cent lower than the August, 1952 peak for food alone.

UNEXPECTED JUMP
Labor Department officials, who called the May living cost jump "unexpectedly large," said food prices probably will go higher during the summer months until fall harvests comes. They hinted the living cost index may achieve a new record level when June data is available next month.

The living cost index has been increasing steadily since last February. Food prices, while lower than last year, have been firming up while costs of other consumer goods and services have shown a gradual rise.

Rabb Refuses To Testify

WASHINGTON (AP)—While House aide Maxwell Rabb declined today to testify before the Senate Investigations subcommittee, Sen. McCarthy's rule on Mr. Rabb's refusal "inexcusably arrogant" conduct that the Senate should punish as contempt.

Rabb, secretary to the Cabinet secret word "there is nothing I can add" to his denial of yesterday that he or any of his staff "leaked" official documents to author Robert J. Donovan.

He said "I must respectfully decline" to comply with an invitation that he come in and make that statement under oath, and also tell whether he knows who did give the information to Donovan.

SEN. McCLAREN (D-Ark.), the subcommittee chairman, did not immediately rule on Mr. Rabb's demand that the subcommittee subpoena Rabb.

McCarthy said the subcommittee should do this and "not determine the punishment" without referring the case to the Justice Department. Rabb again declines to testify.

Lady Driver, Escaping Bird, New Car: Wham!

AKRON, Ohio (AP)—To Police Sgt. Darwin Weigle, a parakeet is a dirty bird.

Weigle set out on Tallmadge Parkway yesterday to test drive a spanking new police cruiser with only 16 miles on the speedometer.

Coming the other way in a big Cadillac was Mrs. Hester H. Rhodes, 47, with a caged parakeet named "Francie" as a passenger.

Suddenly the parakeet escaped from its cage. Mrs. Rhodes lunged for the bird. Her car lunged across the road.

There was a crash and Sgt. Weigle found himself sitting in the wreckage of the new cruiser, squashed against a guardrail by the heavier automobile of Mrs. Rhodes.

The sergeant said today he had not decided what charges he would file.

"But there certainly will be a charge," he snorted to a reporter. "Why that woman was more worried about the parakeet than what she did to the cruiser."

Tips Increase Enjoyment Of Outdoor Activities

A SPECIAL SECTION devoted to summer fun comes to News readers today in section C. Learn of activity tips for the hot weather on any of 26 pages.

GOOD FOR A LAUGH any time of day is the new cartoon panel "The Better Half" which runs daily in the Women's Section. Catch up on your smiling today on page 5B.

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