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(By the U. S. Weather Bureau)
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Ferro-Alloy Plant To Be Constructed Above Belpre

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Announcement Is Made By Union Carbide Unit

New Type Industry Being Brought to Parkersburg Area by Electro Metallurgical Co.

By PAUL HANDKE

Announcement was made today by The Electro Metallurgical Company, unit of The Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation of New York city, that it will start construction in the near future on a new ferro-alloy plant to be located along Ohio state route No. 7 six miles north of Belpre, Ohio.

The plant site, on which options have been taken during the past several-month period by Attorney T. J. Summers of Marietta, involving a large acreage on both sides of the highway between Gravel Bank and the Castle Night club and will adjoin property recently acquired by the Standard Oil Company of Ohio for a bulk plant along the Ohio river.

For transportation, the new plant will utilize the Ohio river, the state highway and the O. and L. K. division tracks of the B. & O. railroad, connecting Parkersburg and Marietta.

First of Kind in Area

The new plant is the first of its kind in the Parkersburg district and continues post-war industrial expansion for the area which started two years ago with the new du Pont plant at Washington Bottom and the Calco Chemical Division's unit at Willow Island on state route No. 2. Because of the high technical nature of the processes to be used at Electro's new unit, a number of engineers and technical men will be transferred here from other plants when it is completed, the company reported.

The company's formal announcement, dated for release at noon today, said the following:

"Plans for the erection of a new ferro-alloy plant near Marietta, Ohio, have been announced by Electro Metallurgical Company, Unit of Union Carbide and Corbon Corporation. Construction will start in the near future, and the plant will be placed in operation at the earliest possible date.

"The plant site is located on the Ohio river about six miles south of Marietta. In addition to river transportation facilities, the new plant will be served by a spur track of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

To Produce Ferro-Alloys

"This plant will provide facilities for producing ferro-alloys of various types, which are used in the manufacture of steel and iron. These products include silicon alloys, manganese alloys, and chromium alloys. Silicon is widely used as a deoxidizer and degasifier in many grades of steel and iron and as an additive agent for high-silicon steels, which are used importantly in the electrical industry. Manganese is an essential ingredient in the manufacture of nearly all grades of steel. It improves hot-rolling properties, adds strength and toughness, and is generally used as a deoxidizer. Chromium is the principal alloying element in stainless steels and irons. Ferrochrome imparts strength, hardness, and resistance to corrosion and oxidation in other steels and irons.

"The electric power required for smelting these products in electric furnaces will be supplied by a steam power generating station to be erected in conjunction with the ferro-alloy plant. Of the raw materials required for initial operations, silica rock and coke will be obtained from local sources.

Because of the high technical nature of the processes used at this plant and the specialized training required for its operation, a number of engineers and technical men will be moved from other plants of Electro Metallurgical Company where similar work is being done. This technical staff will form the nucleus of the operating personnel. The balance of the employees, expected to number several hundred, will be employed locally."

Truman Returns To White House

Washington, Aug. 30—(UP)—President Truman was back at the White House today preparing for a campaign he believes will give him a full term as chief executive.

Mr. Truman, who once said he was sorry he had to be called "Mr. President," now is looking forward eagerly to the coming election. He is confident he will defeat Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, the Republican nominee.

The president, sporting a deep tan and appearing well rested, returned to the White House at 4 p.m. EDT yesterday after a nine day cruise on the yacht Williamsburg.

States Rights Candidate Stumps in Arkansas

Fifty Negroes attended a meeting of States Rights Democrats at Marianna, Ark., at which the party's presidential candidate, Gov. J. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, asked Arkansans for their votes. The Negro section, right foreground, was close to the stage and well segregated from the white sections.

Improvement Work Started Today On South Fork Road on Lee Creek

7.6 Miles of Secondary Road Will Receive Ohio River Gravel Traffic Surface

E. M. Cottle, Parkersburg district engineer for the State Road Commission, announced today an improvement project has been started on the South Fork Lee creek road for a distance of 7.6 miles westward towards Belleville from U. S. route No. 21.

He said the project will include the widening of the grade and installation of necessary drainage, as well as the application of an Ohio river gravel traffic bound surface, and completion is scheduled by the late fall period.

The road was one selected by the magisterial district committee last year for immediate post-war improvement in Wood county, but the district engineer pointed out that when bids from contractors were opened by the road commission last May 18, the lowest of $204,147.20 was approximately twice the original estimates of engineers. All were rejected at that time, he declared, and as a result the project was started today by maintenace forces of the road commisson.

Designated For Federal Aid

He said the road also had been designated last year by the federal government as part of a federal aid secondary system in Wood county and in order to secure a 50 per cent participation of the cost of the project in federal funds it was necessary to make a survey and prepare plans showing the estimate of quantities of the work to be performed.

In May, 1947, the district engineer added, engineers of the road commission estimated that the project could be constructed at a cost of $105,000 or $13,800 per mile and meet the requirements of the federal government, but the later bids from three contractors were far in excess of this figure and had to be rejected.

25-Year-Olds Register Today For 2nd Draft

Main Office in Town Reports 44 at 11 A.M.

By WILLIAM LAKEMAN

The first 25 year olds lined up for registration today at the Wood County Draft Board offices, and waited patiently in the heat while the old routine began again.

At the main office in the Gateman & Matheny building 44 in all had been registered by 11 o'clock with a line of 20 to 25 still standing outside. Registrars said there were no complications so far, but things were moving slowly and steadily.

Three registrars took down the information on forms and checked off the familiar questions. The lines were divided into two rooms, separating the veterans and non-veterans. At the Williamstown school registration was reported much lighter, with only five in all registered by 11 o'clock. There were no waiting lines either.

The state adjutant general's office estimated today that about 120,000 would be registered in West Virginia for the total age bracket of 18 to 25. No breakdown was given, however, for the

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Steel Production Near Practical Capacity

Can't Be Expected to Go Much Higher

Cleveland, August 30.—(UP)—Steel production is near its practical capacity and cannot be expected to go much higher, the magazine Steel said today.

Production continued its gradual rise last week, however, and

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House Probers Buckle Down to Job Of Exposing 'New' Soviet Spy Ring

Washington, Aug. 30—(UP)—House investigators buckled down to the job of exposing a "new" Soviet espionage ring today after accusing President Truman of obstructing their hearings on Reds in the government.

Chairman J. Parnell Thomas, R., N. J., said his house unAmerican activities committee is approaching the "really important" part of its espionage investigation. He said hearings scheduled to start Sept. 7 would touch on the "new" Soviet ring in this country.

The hearings thus far have centered on two alleged Communist groups in the government and on the your'e-a-liar controversy between former state department official Alger Hiss and ex-Communist Whittaker Chambers.

The committee accused Mr. Truman of "obstructive tactics" in a weekend report reviewing its investigation to date. It also accused Attorney General Tom C. Clark of failure to enforce the law "as vigorously as he should" against Communists.

Truman Declines Comment

Mr. Truman, who returned to the White House yesterday from a nine day yacht cruise, declined to comment on the charges, saying he was not familiar with them.

In its report, the burden of proof now seemed to be with Hiss in his controversy with Chambers.

Chambers, an admitted ex-Communist who is now a senior editor of Time magazine, has accused Hiss of leading a dual life as a government official and pre-war member of an "elite" Communist underground. Hiss denied the charge and questioned Chambers' sanity.

"Up to now," the committee report said, "the verifiable portions of Chambers' testimony have stood up strongly; the verifiable portions of the Hiss testimony have been badly shaken and are primarily refuted by the testimony of Hiss versus Hiss . . ." the report said.

Turning to its relations with the White House, the committee said:

"The committee deplores the fact that the executive branch of the government will in no way aid the committee in its efforts to protect the national security from those who are doing everything they can to undermine and de-

Death Toll from Week-Long Heat Wave Soars Past the 200 Mark

By UNITED PRESS

The number of deaths resulting from the week-long heat wave soared past the 200 mark today and weather forecasters said there still was no definite relief in sight.

A survey by the United Press showed that the heat wave claimed 201 lives during the week it has blanketed the eastern half of the nation. The deaths included 49 drownings and 152 deaths from heat prostration, sunstroke or heart attacks brought on by the heat.

Cool air from Canada brought temporary relief to northern sections Sunday and a few cities were sprayed by cooling thunderstorms.

To Zoom Up Again

A. L. Sugg, Chicago forecaster, said the mercury would dip a little today and tomorrow—and then zoom up again.

Thundershowers brought relief to most of Ohio yesterday and brought a 17-degree drop in temperature to Washington, D. C., within a half an hour.

A violent wind and rainstorm was blamed for the crash of a new-type Northwest airliner in Wisconsin. Thirty-six persons were killed.

Most of the fatalities from the heat occurred in the midwest and east. New York reported 32 deaths, Pennsylvania 23, and Michigan 20.

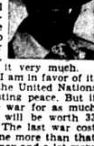
Thousands of workers were expected to be idled again in Chicago, Detroit, New York and Washington by the extreme heat.

The nation's hotbox, the American desert, gave Yuma, Ariz., the hottest temperature yesterday. It was 118.

But 100-degree temperatures were general throughout the east. Most points in South Carolina reported 100, New York 95, Washington 97, Boston 92, Pittsburgh 89. Columbia, S. C., had 102.

Horse Sense

Milwaukee, Aug. 30—You could buy a lot of eggs for the 33 million dollars it is going to cost to run the United Nations next year. You might even get a few steaks.



I am afraid much of this money will be frittered away--or worse. It will pay for junkets from Hither, Scotland, and Yon, China, and lots of places between. It will give the Russians a stage from which to denounce our way of life, while enjoying it very much.

Nevertheless, I am in favor of it. I don't expect the United Nations to bring everlasting peace. But if it can postpone war for as much as 24 hours, it will be worth 33 million dollars. The last war cost the U. S. A. alone more than that every day in money and a lot more lives.

Gene Autry

State Bd. Reveals Surgery Used for Mental Disorders

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 30—(UP)—The state board of control Saturday disclosed use of a new type of quick surgery which restores normalcy in certain types of mental disorders.

The operation consists of rendering patients unconscious by electrical shock then reaching the brain through eye openings to sever channels controlling thought patterns with a thin, ice pick-shaped instrument.

Known medically as transorbital lobotomy, the surgery requires but five minutes. It proved effective in about 20 per cent of the 44 cases in which it was used in West Virginia hospitals since introduced to them last January.

The report said the operation was best suited in cases of depressiveness or schizophrenia and those who have not been mentally ill for more than a year.

Boy Scalds Self When He Turns on Hot Water Spigot

Pittsburgh, Aug. 30—(UP)—A six-year-old Clarion boy who scalded himself when he accidentally turned on the hot water spigot while being bathed, died Saturday night in Children's hospital.

The boy, John Corp, a cripple since birth, had been sent to the Pittsburgh home for crippled children last Thursday. He burned himself while being given a bath Saturday.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Corp of R. D. 2, Clarion.

HEADS & TALES

By JOE LAURIE, Jr.

Raymond Rubicam, one of the founders of the ad agency, Young & Rubicam, says he certainly believes in advertising but some people carry it too far. He saw a sign in an undertaking parlor in California that read: "Convertible Hearse . . . Get A Little Brown Before We Lower You Down."

Branded Body Of Unidentified Woman Found

Police Search for Possible Sex Maniac

Weymouth, Mass., Aug. 30—(UP)—Discovery of the branded body of an unidentified woman set police today on a search for a possible sex maniac.

Medical Examiner George D. Dalton refused to discuss cause of the woman's death pending completion of an autopsy. But Police Inspector William Dwyer said "we are proceeding . . . on the theory it was caused by foul play."

Two brands disfiguring the woman's abdomen gave police their main clue in the effort to identify her. These were the monogram "JT" repeated in two-inch-high letters on both sides of her body near the hips.

Preliminary Exam

Dr. Dalton said it was impossible to tell from his preliminary examination whether the marks were applied before or after death or whether they had been burned, cut or tattooed into the skin.

The woman's body, sprawled on its back in a brier patch less than 25 feet from a heavily traveled road, was found yesterday by Galen Moore, 63, who was strolling through his property.

The woman's navy blue skirt and pink slip were pulled up over her white blouse and cerise summer jacket. She wore light nylon stockings and black single-strap pumps. The absence of any handbag or jewelry delayed attempts at identification.

Dr. Dalton said she had been dead three or four days. He estimated her age at 30 to 40. He said she was nearly five feet seven inches tall and weighed about 140 pounds.

Wallace Greeted With Near Riot At Durham, N.C.

Said Determined to Continue South Tour

Durham, N. C., Aug. 30—(UP)—Henry A. Wallace was reported determined today to continue his campaign tour of the south despite the near riot and noisy heckling which greeted him here.

A spokesman for the progressive party's presidential candidate said there had been "absolutely no change in plans" for a seven day trip through seven southern states.

A tumultous meeting of the progressive party in the armory here last night climaxed what otherwise was a calm opening day of the third party candidates swing through Dixie.

The near-riot occurred when anti-Wallace pickets and his supporters clashed in a free-for-all fight in the back of the auditorium.

National guardsmen wearing sidearms and Durham plainclothes officers broke up the melee shortly, but not before one of the pickets was laid cold with a chair.

Following the outbreak, Wallace delayed his appearance at the meeting until Durham police detectives promised him an escort into the armory. A guardsman, with drawn automatic revolver, met them at the door and opened a path for Wallace to the speaker's platform.

Although the anti-Wallace pickets were ejected from the armory auditorium following the free-for-all, a group of youths at the rear shouted boos and catcalls at Wallace during the entire rally.

Gives Up On Prepared Speech

He finally gave up trying to make his prepared speech and ad libbed a proposal that the federal government increase its aid to the south by $1,000,000,000 a year for the next four years.

He proposed that the new federal aid be divided equally be-

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Prominent Lawyer Leaps To Death from 30th Floor

New York, Aug. 30.—(UP)—Roswell P. C. May, 51, prominent socialite lawyer, leaped to his death early today from his office on the 30th floor of the Equitable Life building, police reported.

May's body was found on the pavement at 3:30 a.m. A note in his pocket directed police to his office where two other notes were found, one to his wife and another to his associates in the firm of Bleakley, Platt, Gilchrist and Walker.

Mrs. May told police her husband had been in poor health recently and had just recovered

Winds To Reach Gale Force This Afternoon

Storm Warnings for Coast Hoisted from Wilmington, N.C., to Cape Hatteras

Miami, Fla., Aug. 30—(UP)—A hurricane whirling north near the southeastern coast probably will hit the Cape Hatteras area before midnight tonight, the hurricane warning service reported at 10 a.m. EST today.

An advisory repeated the hurricane warning for the coast from Wilmington, N. C., to Cape Hatteras and reported the winds along the sea front "should reach gale force late this afternoon and hurricane force early tonight."

"Present indications are that the center will pass over or very near Cape Hatteras tonight, probably before midnight," the advisory said.

The storm was centered 250 miles south of Cape Hatteras at 10 a. m. and was moving north northwestward or northward at about 12 miles per hour. Its highest winds were estimated at 115 miles per hour with gales extending outward 140 miles.

Preparations Made

As the mighty wind curved nearer the coast, these preparations were made for the impact:

1. North Carolina coastal residents, who have faced far more hurricane scares than hurricanes, took the news of the oncoming storm calmly. Red Cross meetings were scheduled to "brief" emergency workers. Small boats sought refuge in inland waters. Short wave radio facilities were set up at Wrightsville Beach, N. C. Aircraft at the Cherry Point, N. C., Marine Corps air station were evacuated.

2. The Red Cross alerted all stations from Charleston to Elizabeth City, N. C., and sent 35 disaster workers into the area.

3. Hundreds of military planes based in North Carolina and Virginia were flown to safe havens inland. The Navy and Airforce said it was a routine procedure.

Effects of the storm were already felt as far north as Massachusetts where long swells created by the disturbance to the south kept week-end bathers out of the water.

The Miami weather bureau ordered hurricane warnings hoised from Wilmington to Cape Hatteras in an earlier 4 a. m. advisory.

Northeast storm warnings were ordered up north of Hatteras to the Virginia capes and northwest storm warnings were posted south of Wilmington to Charleston, S. C.

The advisory said winds "should reach gale proportions along the North Carolina coast this afternoon with hurricane winds early tonight."

"All measures should be taken for the protection of life and property," the advisory said.

Storm Center

The storm center was placed at 4 a.m. about 250 miles south-southeast of Wilmington, moving north-northwestward at about 10 to 12 miles per hour.

The weather bureau warned that the forward movement of the storm "may accelerate slightly" and issued an "emergency warning to all interests."

The whirling winds were expected to reach the North Carolina coast in about 20 hours, the advisory said.

In the last previous advisory, at 10:45 p.m. (EST) yesterday, the storm center had been placed 390 miles east of Jacksonville, Fla., heading at a leisurely pace toward the Georgia and South Carolina coast in a west-northwest direction.

But the whirling storm swerved suddenly and headed north-northwest and the weather bureau said that it "may change to a more northerly course during the day."

"Present indications are," the advisory continued, "that the center will reach the North Carolina coast in about 20 hours. Winds will begin increasing early today along the coast from Charleston to the Virginia capes and should reach gale proportions along the North Carolina coast this afternoon with hurricane winds early tonight."

The earlier advisory said the storm's highest winds were estimated at 120 miles per hour and the blow had increased in size so that winds of gale force extended out 140 miles from the center.

Cold War 'Heat' Decides U.S. Air Force in Europe

If It Gets Hotter More Units to Move In

By WILLIAM F. McMENAMIN

Washington, Aug. 30.—(UP)—The heat of the "cold war" in Europe just about determines the size of the American Air Force there, an official, said today.

If the "cold war" gets hotter, more units will move in. But if there is no increase in tension, the number of planes and men probably will not be increased, this officer said.

With winter coming on, if the Russians persist in their blockade of Berlin, the size of the Ameri-

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Western Envoys Confer at Kremlin With Molotov; Expect Communique

Moscow, Aug. 30—(UP)—Envoys of the Western Powers went to the Kremlin for a conference with Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov at 5 p.m. today (10 a.m. EDT), and it was believed a communique regarding the talks will be issued late tonight.

U. S. Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith, Special British Envoy Frank Roberts and French Ambassador Yves Chataigneau conferred briefly at the French embassy before going to the Kremlin.

It was understood that they were in full agreement on plans for working out the details of the communique to be issued on the progress of the month-long series of conferences which have been held with Russian officials, including Premier Josef Stalin, concerning the Berlin and other German problems.

Eighth Meeting

The Kremlin meeting was the eighth between Molotov and the three western representatives. Stalin has attended two of the sessions, but it was not believed that he was present at today's dicussions.

It was believed today's meeting would be devoted almost wholly to framing the communique, which was expected to announce that agreement has been reached on a single currency for Berlin, and that the Soviet surface blockade of the German capital will be lifted eventually.

The blockade, which has lasted more than two months, has been costing the western powers heavily, since all supplies for the 2,500,000 Germans in the western sectors of the capital have had to be flown in.

disclose procedures agreed upon in seven Kremlin conferences for establishing a single currency in Berlin and eventual lifting of the Berlin blockade.

Tonight's Choice Listening!

8:30—Arthur Godfrey returns with his popular TALENT SCOUT program and fun, prizes and lots of laughs.

9:00—RADIO THEATRE returns to the air, and rings up the curtain with "I Remember Mama" starring Irene Dunne in the role she created on the screen.

10:00—With Marie Wilson in the title role, and Cathy Lewis as her roommate, MY FRIEND IRMA begins its second season of laughs.

WPAR, the Voice of Service in Parkersburg at 1450 on your dial.