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WORLD NEWS

Data Worth \$2,000

WASHINGTON (AP)—John Cye Cleary testified today in a Senate hearing that Jimmy Hoffa paid him \$2,000 for Senate racketeering committee data on Teamsters president Dave Beck.

Heavy Quake

WASHINGTON (AP)—Government scientists said today an earthquake of a "definite destructive nature" occurred in the Lake Baikal area of south central Siberia.

No More TV

WASHINGTON (AP)—Speaker of the House Rayburn (D-Tex.) said today following a conference with Rep. Walter (D-Pa.) that there will be no more telecasts of hearings by the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Up 50 Miles

CANBERRA, Australia (AP)—Britain has sent an upper atmosphere testing rocket, known as the Skylark, 50 miles above the earth in a proving trial at Woomera rocket range.

Witness Balks

WASHINGTON (AP)—For the first time in an open Senate hearing a witness today invoked a new Supreme Court decision and refused to say whether he was a communist. Howard V. Trautman of New York was the balky witness before the Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

Pay Boost

WASHINGTON (AP)—A \$546 a year across the board increase for some 518,000 postal workers received approval of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee today. The increase would add about 350 million dollars a year to the federal payroll.

Craig Rapped

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—The Marion County grand jury returned two new indictments in its final road scandal report today and called ex-Gov. George N. Craig "morally if not legally responsible" for the irregularities.

Denials Upheld

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. Court of Appeals today upheld the State Dept.'s right to deny passports to persons who refuse to sign non-Communist oaths. The court ruled in the case of Dr. Walter B. Dill, Los Angeles psychiatrist, and artist Rockwell Kent.

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Mom Has Ups And Downs As Son Rides To Derby Win



Mrs. George Hampton Jr. Of Kings Mountain Suffers Through Son Tony's Progress To Charlotte's Soap Box Derby Championship Here Yesterday.



News Staff Photo by Franklin-Hunter



A MOST happy family—shown with Soap Box champ Tony Hampton is (left to right) sister Dorothy Gail; Mrs. Hampton, Tony, sister Gloria, brother Terry, and his father, George W. Hampton. The Kings Mountain lad won against a field of about 80. He is the fifth out-of-town boy to win the annual race in as many years.

(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Hunter)

Kings Mountain Youngster Captures Soap Box Derby

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By DICK RAYBURN

Charlotte News Staff Writer Tony Hampton, a 14-year-old Kings Mountain boy, nosed out 11-year-old Sam Byrd for the Charlotte Soap Box Derby Championship by steering his "Liberty II" down the 800-foot track in 30.01 seconds.

The young champion had just defeated Phillip Reavis of Statesville and Mike Dixon of Kings Mountain for the Class A championship (13-15 year olds). He made the final run in his class in 30.88 seconds or 19.27 miles per hour.

The young winner was sponsored by the Kings Mountain branch of the Liberty Life Insurance Co.

The Soap Box Derby is sponsored annually by the Chevrolet Division of General Motors. The Charlotte News, and The Charlotte Junior Chamber of Commerce.

WPT sportscasters "Big Bill" Ward and Phil Agresta provided on-the-spot coverage for radio listeners throughout the race. WPTV viewers also saw portions of the race on film.

Championship contender Sam Byrd of Mount Pleasant, won the right to try for the city crown by taking the Class B title (11-12-

year-olds). He crossed the line ahead of Bill Kelly of Charlotte and Fred Foster of Kings Mountain in the Class B finals with a time of 30.48 seconds or 19.01 miles per hour.

More than 2,000 spectators and contestants saw the fastest time of the day recorded by Isaac Caldwell of Charlotte in the first heat

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Changes Requested In Cotton Policy

By J. A. DALY

Charlotte News Staff Writer

The American Cotton Manufacturers Institute went on record today as strongly favoring drastic revision of the Federal Government's cotton policy to assure competitive pricing of this American fiber in domestic and world markets.

The spokesman for ACMI was Charles A. Cannon of Kannapolis, president of Cannon Mills. He appeared before the House Agriculture Committee at a hearing in Washington on proposed farm legislation.

Mr. Cannon's presentation of the opinions of ACMI and proposals for strengthening the American cotton textile economy have been awaited eagerly by the

manufacturers, dealers, futures brokers, and growers. The position of ACMI, which is based at Charlotte, is expected by those interested in the industry to influence strongly the legislative trend in Congress as related to cotton.

WIDE DISCOUNTS

This presentation of ACMI's official position came at a time when the Washington Government is attaining outstanding success in selling its surplus cotton for export at wide discounts from prices the American cotton mills are required to pay for their cotton in the domestic spot cotton markets. At the same time, the domes-

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—DEATH ENDS LOVERS LANE DATE—

Police Reconstruct Killing

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP)—Anne Arundel County police today reconstructed the murder of a 25-year-old Baltimore woman in a whose date told police she was shot down by a bushy-haired, unkempt man posing as a caretaker.

The victim was Mrs. Margaret Virginia Harold, married and the mother of two children, who worked as a clerk in 2nd Army headquarters at Ft. Meade, about eight miles from where the slaying occurred.

Her date, M. Sgt. Roy Hudson, stationed at Ft. Meade, told police Mrs. Harold was shot yesterday by a man who asked for a lift, then drew a pistol and demanded money.

Today, police took Sgt. Hudson to the scene of the slaying, about 12 miles west of Annapolis on a lonely lane, to reconstruct the crime.

Hudson, who lives at Laurel with his wife and two children, described the killer as a husky, six-footer, about 35, with

black hair combed straight, back above his bushy brows. Hudson said he wore a faded blue work shirt.

The killing was the second "lovers lane" incident in less than a day within six miles of each other. The other couple escaped into a woods and hid until daylight after a gunman bound the man and attempted to force him into a car trunk.

Hudson, 31, from Myoock, N. C.

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Audrey Battering Texas, Louisiana

100-Mile Hurricane Hits Coast

PORT ARTHUR, Tex. (AP)—Hurricane Audrey, a killer which took at least 10 lives, smashed into the Texas-Louisiana border area today with winds at some places up to 100 miles an hour.

The Port Arthur Weather Bureau said the hurricane first hit Cameron, La., with winds of only 65 miles per hour.

The 100-mile winds were clocked at Orange, Tex., and Lake Charles, La., north and northwest of Cameron.

Nine of the 10 deaths occurred when the fishing vessel Retarah sank. Another man drowned in a strong undertow that the eye of the storm.

High tides, wind blasts and torrential rains caused widespread damage for hundreds of miles along the Texas and Louisiana coasts.

The New Orleans Weather Bureau said winds of 75 miles per hour or greater could be expected the rest of the day along the Texas-Louisiana border.

HIGH TIDES

Thousands evacuated their homes and resort cabins as tides up to 9 feet above normal battered the shore.

The Lake Charles Weather Bureau said winds reached 100 m.p.h. there—about 40 miles north of Cameron.

Orange, Tex., about 40 miles northwest of Cameron, said a dead calm occurred there at 10:05 a.m. EST, indicating that the eye of the storm was there.

Persons who had taken refuge at Orange began leaving for their homes when the calm came, and authorities sought to get them back to shelter for the expected high which always follows the hurricane calm.

MAY LOSE FORCE

The storm was expected to dissipate rapidly as it moved inland. Great tides, reaching a 'feet', appeared as dangerous as the hurricane winds. By early morning they were breaking over a sea wall at Sabine Lake which splits Louisiana and Texas.

At Galveston, 70 miles south-west and out of the direct path, water splashed over the sea wall and almost all downtown streets were flooded. It was in Galveston in 1900 that a hurricane took 5,000 lives—some say more—in one of the nation's great disasters.

That was before the present sea wall was built.

A number of fishing boats were reported sunk in the harbor, but there was no estimate of the number. Law areas around Galveston were evacuated.

At Orange, Sheriff Chester Hays reported the three-story Orange County Courthouse was "packed to the rafters" with refugees.

As Orange naval officers said they believed the 130 ships of the reserve fleet were secure.



Pete Garno, Right, Mine Superintendent, Greets Kenny Hamilton Following Rescue

Huge Earth Auger Provides Escape Route For 5 Miners

STUEBENVILLE, Ohio (AP)—Five grumpy miners, trapped for more than 14 hours by a cave-in, scrambled to safety last night through a hole which a huge mechanical auger had bored 230 feet into a hillside.

When the 42-inch auger was pulled from the hole, the miners followed it out one by one. They blinked at the floodlights which lit the desolate strip mine pit.

A great cheer rose from about a thousand persons—rescue workers, relatives and spectators and newsmen—as the miners rushed to their families, who had waited all day in the hot sun and far into the night.

Doctors examined the men

quickly at a shack nearby and said they were not harmed by their ordeal.

"COLD IN THERE"

"My God, it was cold in there," said Fred Sabol, 33, Harrisville, one of the first out.

The others are Hank Horvath, 35, Glen Robbins; Martin Kovalski, 40, and Joseph Suptisnik, 47, both of Mount Pleasant; and Kenzie Hamilton, 28, Adams.

They were trapped at 8:15 a.m. in a small chamber 300 feet back in a horizontal mine shaft about 150 feet below the crest of a hill. Their rescue came at 10:30 p.m.

The shaft was 25 end one among seven at Betsy Mine No. 3 of the

Dowlatan Mining Co. The seven horizontal "punch mining" shafts were connected by an air passage, but the cave-in blocked it with hundreds of tons of loose rock, coal and dirt.

However, air from the other shafts could seep through the porous debris, and rescue workers mounted huge fans in the other tunnels.

Late in the day, after other methods proved unpromising, rescuers started using the huge mining auger—a machine which added nine 24-foot-long bits in sequence as the auger went deeper through a vein of coal.

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When the drill broke through into the chamber, the trapped men loaded a cloth hat and a piece of lumber into the bit. When they came out at the other end, the rescuers knew they had reached their goal.

The men said they were trapped in a chamber about 95 feet wide, 20 feet long and 12 feet high.

"I just prayed I knew you guys would reach me," said Kovalski.

Nickerson Says Plane Value Over-Emphasized

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP)—Col. John C. Nickerson Jr. today testified that in national defense policies there had been "a gross over-emphasis on air power."

The lean and gray colonel told the witness stand in his own court martial at 10:30 a.m. today and agreed to testify under oath.

Nickerson already has been convicted on 15 counts of laxly in handling secret defense data by permitting it to fall into the hands of unauthorized persons, chiefly those he wanted to enlist in his fight to preserve development of an intermediate range ballistic missile for the army.

The 10-man court-martial is now hearing evidence which might incline it to leniency in fixing Nickerson's sentence.

The man's punishment

Nickerson could suffer a dismissal from the service and 30 years imprisonment.

In an opening statement, which he had written out, the 41-year-old colonel outlined the now classic feud between advocates of air power as the first line of defense and those who held the Army needs a balanced striking force of soldiers, sailors and airmen.

CHIEF ENEMY

Nickerson argued the nation's chief enemy is Russia and that in event of war there undoubtedly would be Russian air attacks on the United States with atomic bombs and U. S. counter attacks.

"Let us assume," he said, "the Russian attack is a complete failure and the U. S. attack is a complete success."

WEATHER

Partly cloudy, warm and humid through Saturday with scattered afternoon thunder-showers.

Low tomorrow morning 59
High tomorrow morning 78
High today 80
High yesterday 88
High tomorrow 88
Sunrise today 5:10 a.m.; sunset today 7:42 p.m.

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