

Negro Apartment Blast Investigated

NEW ORLEANS, La. — (U.P.) — While workers still searched the explosion-torn wreckage of a New Orleans Negro housing project, police and firemen probed a blast that early yesterday killed at least three persons, injured 34, and left five still missing.

Officials said reports that tenants of the project "had complained of gas leakages" in the 14-apartment unit, were being investigated. Firemen at the scene yesterday were forced to don gas masks.

J. Gilbert Scheib, director of the housing project, said that there "was little hope of finding any of the missing still alive."

Red Cross workers who had set up a disaster unit in the area, police, firemen, service personnel and priests continued to scour the debris for additional victims.

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England Denies Accord Report

LONDON, Feb. 20 — (U.P.) — An Athens dispatch, promptly denied by the foreign office, said today that Britain and Russia had reached a compromise on the issue of Greek elections.

A foreign office spokesman said there had been no discussion or negotiation with Russia on the Greek election question. British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin recently sent a message to Athens restating Britain's view, the spokesman said.

A Greek decree three weeks ago set the elections for March 31. Today's Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph said Britain and Russia agreed that the balloting would be held on that day.

Dow-Jones

NEW YORK, Feb. 20 — (U.P.) — Dow Jones closing bond averages: 40 bonds, 109.39, off 0.04. 10 first rails, 119.31, up 0.04. 10 second rails, 101.71, off 0.30. 10 utilities, 109.99, up 0.05. 10 industrials, 108.58, up 0.06.

U. S. GETS APOLOGY

BELGRADE, Feb. 20 — (U.P.) — The U. S. embassy said today it had received a formal apology from the Yugoslav government for the action of Yugoslav militiamen who entered the embassy parking space on Feb. 12 and seized American vehicles.

CZECHS HOLD G.I.'s

PRAGUE, Feb. 20 — (U.P.) — Three American soldiers were held by Czechoslovak authorities today after making what police termed an unauthorized search and seizure of German documents. The Czechoslovaks protested "violation of the country's sovereignty."

VETERANS RETURN

YOKOHAMA, Feb. 20 — (U.P.) — The Admiral Rodman sailed for Seattle, Wash., today carrying 4084 Army enlisted men and 611 officers.

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RED CROSS GIRL—Rose Mary McCulloch, member of the Junior Red Cross staff assistants corps, scoops up handfuls of the Red Cross fund drive buttons that she is helping to pack for county distribution. Also assisting with county preparations for the drive, which will begin March 1, are Billie Harnden, Patricia Kerr, Mary Ann Pearson, Jacqueline Moore and Isabelle Lowrey. Boxes of campaign materials packed by these girls will be distributed to county chairmen next week. (Register-Guard photo, Wiltshire engraving.)



WASHINGTON TEA PARTY — Members of the Washington, D. C., Junior Chamber of Commerce stage a tea party at the Potomac wharves in support of District of Columbia suffrage legislation pending in congress. Left to right in the Indian garb are Douglas H. Timmerman, R. Cary Nichols, Jr., and Thomas W. Steele, all of Washington.

Baseball Fans Await Williams' Big Bat

By AL VERMEER
NEA Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK — (NEA) — Boston's ambitions for an American League championship—first in 23 years—take on a new glow this spring when long and rubbery Ted Williams returns to the baseball battlefields following three years as a flying mariner.

Thumping Ted cannot do it alone. In 1941 he blasted 406, first American Leaguer to reach those heights since Harry Heilmann's 403 in 1923, and a year later he again led with 356, and still no pennant flew over Fenway Park. But 1946 finds the Red Sox a serious contender and the explosive bat of Williams is the backbone of their threat.

Veterans claim he ranks with Joe Jackson and Babe Ruth when it comes to born hitting ability, that he would scramble Ruth's 60-home run record to shreds if he played at Yankee Stadium instead of Fenway Park, where the right field stands are 380 feet away.

Because of his free and natural swing, Williams is expected to be just as good as he was in 1942, although he spent the interim in actual service, not as a ball-playing soldier or sailor.

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Phone Union Heads Discuss

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a local, regional and national basis.

The 50 NFWU affiliated unions are demanding a \$10 weekly wage hike, minimum hourly wage of 65 cents and a return to the 40 hour week.

With the number of strike idle in the nation reduced to around 970,000 by continuing settlements in the steel strike, the labor department started adrive to "push for settlement" of all current work stoppages.

Advice to Industry

Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach told industry generally his advice was to "sign up and trust to OPA," while an OPA official promised employees that price increases under the new stabilization policy "are going to be handled fast."

Schwellenbach said the new wage-price policy's success hinged on prompt government action and he added federal agencies involved had assured him that speedy consideration would be given to all requests for price relief.

The country's longest strike, the 92-day old work stoppage of 175,000 CIO employees in General Motors plants, continued and there was nothing to indicate principals were near agreement on main issues being discussed in Detroit meetings.

A general strike by AFL unions remained in effect in Lancaster, Pa., today as efforts were made by a federal conciliator to end the 15-day old transit strike over higher wages.

A survey disclosed six movie theaters closed yesterday when AFL projectionists remained away from work; all union trucking was halted but milk and bread deliveries continued; the city's food supply was not affected as most grocery stores remained open.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

The concert to be given Thursday evening at McArthur Court by John Charles Thomas, baritone, will be heard only by members of the Civic Music Assn., it was pointed out Wednesday. Tickets were purchased before the series of musical affairs started and it was announced at that time there would be no other means of admission.

THERE'S A WILL

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — (U.P.) — Planes have been ordered to Seward today to meet the liner Columbia and fly 112 passengers to Anchorage, since 900 feet of track of the Alaska railroad between here and Seward were buried by two snowslides.

The petroleum industry is expected to be spending some \$40,000,000 annually on industrial research within the next few years.

Four years after the American flag was raised at Monterey, California was admitted to the union as the 31st state.

BAYER ASPIRIN

RELIEVES PAIN AND SORE THROAT DUE TO COLDS

BLAST BROKE LINES

ALBANY — (U.P.) — A main Portland-San Francisco telephone cable was broken yesterday by a blast which a farmer set off to divert water in a drainage ditch. Pacific Telephone and Telegraph repairmen said the blast shattered the cable's tile covering and allowed water to seep in. Calls were detoured over other circuits, and

officials said the break would be repaired today.

SOVIETS MOVE IN

MOSCOW — (U.P.) — The government decreed today the complete nationalization of industries, banks, natural resources and utilities in southern Sakhalin, the part of the island formerly held by the Japanese.

RECONVERSION

OXNARD, Calif. — (U.P.) — Navy has a new peacetime task — it's going to bomb crows. Congressional Commissioner Charles Barrett says the Navy here has promised to enter "war against crows" and use planes and personnel in dynamiting a nearby willow grove where thousands of crows roost.

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