

# South State Faces Jim Crow Issue

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Mississippi's Legislature is groping today toward a watered-down program to equalize Negro and white schools, still fearful that the U. S. Supreme Court will abolish racial segregation.

The question in the 13-week-old legislative fight is how to maintain

segregation, not whether to retain it.

Hovering over the conflict is the Supreme Court and its decision on five school segregation cases.

If the court bans segregation, a special legislative session looms. Mississippi's answer probably would be to abolish public schools and furnish tuition for private, segregated schools, in line with plans in Georgia and South Carolina. Resolutions to abolish schools are pending in both houses, but they do not go into details.

If the court upholds segregation under the "separate but equal" doctrine, Mississippi realizes it

must lift its sub-par Negro schools to the level of white schools or face co-mingling of races "by federal force from federal courts," as Gov. Hugh White phrased it.

A solid group in strategic House committee posts blocked attempts to raise taxes to finance the sweeping equalization program, passed but still lacking money. School supporters now realize they must take less than they wanted.

The House finally approved a compromise program, scheduled to go into effect July 1 if passed by the Senate, where it faces action possibly today. Supporters predict a narrow victory in the Senate.

Under the compromise, construction — the major equalization item — would be delayed until after the first year of the plan, while teacher's salaries would be equalized and a start made toward equalizing transportation. A \$50-million-dollar appropriation, with \$4 million for the first year and more needed for the second, would finance it. The original program called for \$6 million for two years.

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# N.Y. Piers Cleared By Dockworkers

NEW YORK (AP) — Longshoremen from rival unions worked side by side Monday to move huge piles of cargo piled up on port of New York piers during a 28-day strike of dock workers.

It was the first day of full-scale operations since the old Independent International Longshoremen's Assn. called off its strike Friday afternoon.

Police said that at least 11,000 dock workers were busy, about double the best single day turnout during the strike.

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# Princess Dies In Norway

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Crown Princess Martha of Norway, 53, died Monday. She had suffered for three years from chronic hepatitis, a liver ailment.

The Princess, wife of Crown Prince Olaf, was taken to the state hospital March 13 following severe hemorrhages. For a time she rallied but suffered a serious setback early Sunday and lapsed into a coma.

She had visited the United States several times and spent five war years at Bethesda, Md., in exile from the Nazis.

Martha died at 4:28 a.m. At her bedside were her father-in-law, Norway's 81-year-old King Haakon VII, her husband, and their three children — Prince Harald, 16, Princess Ragnhild, 23, and Princess Astrid, 22.

The popular Swedish-born princess passed her 53rd birthday just last week and a week earlier she and Olaf had observed their 25th wedding anniversary. Since the summer of 1943 she had rarely appeared in public.

# Br. Guiana Arrests Told

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana (AP) — This restive British colony's government alerted troops, security police and police reserves for emergency duty Monday following weekend arrests of former Prime Minister Cheddi Jagan, his U.S.-born wife and eight other top leftist politicians.

Officials said they expected Jagan's followers to launch an anti-British disobedience campaign in a showdown fight with the government. They particularly feared an attempt to sabotage the colony's dike system and send Atlantic salt water sweeping over sugar and rice fields along the coast.

The security forces also prepared for the possibility that Communist-led unions controlling sugar and rice laborers might call sympathy strikes.

Jagan and the other jailed leaders of his people's Progressive Party (P.P.O.) were slated to appear Monday before a lower court magistrate.

The former government chief, who has vowed a campaign of boycott and strikes since his ouster from power last October, was picked up Saturday at the coastal village of Mahabocny, 40 miles from here. He was charged with violating an order by Governor Sir Alfred Savage, forbidding him to leave Georgetown.

Jagan's wife, Janet, and eight other leftists were arrested Sunday for leading a protest demonstration in defiance of a ban on political gatherings.

# Van Fleet Son Listed Dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Capt. James A. Van Fleet Jr., only son of the former U.S. 8th Army commander, was officially listed as dead Monday two years after his twin-engine bomber vanished behind Communist lines in Korea.

Young Van Fleet's name was given out by the Air Force, without elaboration, along with 36 others carried as missing in action for more than a year and now presumed dead.

Retired Gen. James A. Van Fleet Sr., who led Allied troops in Korea from April 1951 to February 1953, expressed belief last fall his son was still alive and was among 3,000 or more U. S. N. prisoners whom he said the Reds had not accounted for.

The Pentagon for a time listed Capt. Van Fleet among 944 Americans it believed still in Communist hands, saying it had an unverified report he may have survived a crash to become a prisoner of the Chinese.

The general himself was reported to have asked many released POW's for any news of his "Jimmy."

Monday's Air Force announcement said no new information to change the status of the missing 37 had turned up, so they were presumed dead on March 31, 1954. Thus cuts the remaining Air Force missing list to 67.

Also declared dead were the two crewmen who went down with Van Fleet.

The navigator-bombardier, Capt. John A. McAllister of Portland, Ore., and the engineer-gunner, Sgt. Ralph L. Phelps, Bemidji, Minn.

# Radio Log

- KFLW — 1450 Kc. — P&F**  
Monday Evening, April 5
- 6:00 Lux Radio Theater CBS
  - 7:00 The Lone Ranger ABC
  - 7:25 Les Griffith News ABC
  - 7:30 Henry J. Taylor ABC
  - 7:45 Women's Bowling Tour.
  - 8:00 Suspense CBS
  - 8:35 Lowell Thomas CBS
  - 8:45 Tennessee Ernie Show CB
  - 9:00 Healey CBS
  - 9:15 Julius La Rosa CBS
  - 9:28 Preview of Tomorrow
  - 9:45 Forward March
  - 10:00 19 a.m. Headlines
  - 10:15 Lum & Abner ABC
  - 10:30 Klondike Klub
  - 11:00 Sign Off
- KFLW — 1450 Kc. — FST**  
Tuesday, April 6
- 6:00 Early Bird News
  - 6:55 Alarm Clock Club
  - 6:58 Happy Alumnas
  - 6:45 Ride the Bus
  - 6:53 Music
  - 7:00 News-Bkfst Edition
  - 7:15 Charlie's Roundup
  - 7:20 Frank Conroy CBS
  - 7:30 Breakfast Club ABC
  - 7:35 Chet Hunter ABC
  - 7:50 Helen Trent CBS
  - 8:00 Better Living Club
  - 8:05 Young Dr. Malone CBS
  - 8:15 Marion from Millers
  - 8:20 News of the Day ABC
  - 8:30 Perry Mason CBS
  - 8:35 Brighter Day CBS
  - 8:40 News Edition News
  - 8:45 Payne Sideshow Show
  - 8:50 Houseparty CBS
  - 9:00 Sam Hayes ABC CBS
  - 9:15 Arthur Godfrey CBS
  - 9:25 Hank Henry Show
  - 9:30 Our Gal Sunday CBS
  - 9:45 When a Girl Marries ABC
  - 9:50 Edward Murrow CBS
  - 9:55 Heart of America
  - 10:00 Today's Sports Highlights
  - 10:05 HomeTown News
  - 10:10 Johnny Dollar CBS
  - 10:15 Sam Hayes ABC CBS
  - 10:20 People are Funny CBS
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# French Riot Breaks Up Ceremony

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# Boy Recovers From Poison

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP) — One-year-old John Johnson apparently has recovered from the effects of putting a poison-dipped begonia bulb in his mouth.

The bulb had been treated with an insecticide containing a phosphate ester—a poison similar to that which recently took the life of Michael Ogden, 8, at Hood River.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Johnson rushed their son to the hospital Saturday after she saw the boy put the bulb in his mouth while playing at their dairy farm near here.

Within 30 minutes the boy's stomach was pumped out and he was given an injection of atropine sulphate, a drug which acts as an antidote.

This quick treatment probably was a factor in the poison having such a mild effect, specialists at the University of Oregon Medical School in Portland reported.

There was apparently no impairment of breathing. This is the most feared symptom of the poison, which attacks the respiratory system.

# Polio Vaccine Tests Planned

PORTLAND (AP) — Tests of the Salk polio vaccine are expected to start here April 19 in 34 Multnomah County public, private and parochial schools.

Only second graders will be inoculated and then only at the request of parents. Dr. Sydney F. Hansen, county health officer, said.

There are some 2,000 pupils in the second grade of the 34 schools.

# Portland Police Seek Gunmen

PORTLAND (AP) — Police were looking Monday for two gunmen who robbed the proprietor of a bar here of \$1,800 Saturday morning.

Sam Alhadei, 41, the proprietor, said the pair held him up and forced him to hand over a money bag. It was early morning and there were no customers in the bar.

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