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Discord Slows Fight Against 'Reds' in NMU

Curran Quits Post With Maritime Unit

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NEW YORK, Jan. 9. — The "counter-revolution" launched by Joe Curran, president of the National Maritime union (C. I. O.), against Communist domination of



the union was slowed to a limp today. A four-day meeting of the national council of the union drew toward its end with Mr. Curran and his adherents a definite minority.

The six top officers of the union scheduled a press conference for this afternoon, at which Mr. Curran said he would make a "minority report" on the issues debated.

The issue which the council met in special session to discuss was Mr. Curran's resignation as co-chairman of the Committee for Maritime Unity, the direction of which he shared with Harry Bridges, president of the West Coast Longshoremen's union.

Curran Denounced

Two vice presidents and the secretary of the N. M. U. denounced Mr. Curran so sharply for resigning from the C. M. U. that Mr. Curran came back with an editorial in the union's paper charging these officers were the official spokesmen of the Communist party in the national council of the union.

Mr. Curran's charges, made on the eve of the special meeting, further embittered the debate before the council, made up of the six national officers and 24 port agents and other functionaries.

The council, by a vote of 20 to 10, rejected a proposal by Mr. Curran that the union's entire membership of 80,000 decide by secret referendum whether to withdraw the union from the Committee for Maritime Unity.

Mr. Curran's resignation was a personal action, and did not officially withdraw the N. M. U. from participation in the maritime committee.

Plan Adopted

The N. M. U. council unanimously adopted a substitute plan for a conference of 50 N. M. U. delegates who will meet in March to make recommendations whether or not to submit the question of withdrawal from the Committee for Maritime Unity to a referendum.

Mr. Curran stormed out of the meeting yesterday, saying that there was "no possibility of compromise" with the faction opposing him, and that if "they continue their tactics they could destroy the union."

The show of strength by Mr. Curran's opposition greatly diminished the prospects of the anti-Communists in the national leadership of the C. I. O. to "furnish" their New York subsidiaries.

The Curran crisis has been regarded as the key fight in the attempt to diminish the prestige and influence of the Reds in New York.

Mr. Curran is president of the C. I. O. Council of New York City, the control of which is the ultimate objective of anti-Communist forces in the C. I. O.

Mr. Curran's failure to carry a majority of his own national council in his present anti-Communist phase may now lead to a drive by the left wingers in New York to defeat him in forthcoming elections for positions in the New York City council.

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Dann Again Heads Community Center

The Jewish Community Center association announces the re-election of Theodore Dann to the office of president. Robert Greenberg was appointed to represent the association at the Jewish federation of which it is a constituent.

The association will make a study of recreational and group work needs with a view to making improvements. A new phonograph lending library also will be established with funds supplied by the Indianapolis section of the National Council of Jewish Women. Irvin M. Lerner is executive director of the association.

FORGED FATHER'S NAME

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 9 (U. P.). — Edward N. Roberts, Sweetwater, who forged his late physician-father's name to prescriptions for drugs began serving a 15-month prison sentence today. He was convicted of obtaining 400 tablets of an opium derivative from a surgical house.

Organizations

Daylight chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will hold a past masters and past patrons day tomorrow in the hall. Initiation work will be held at 1:30 p. m., with a dinner-dance at 6:30 p. m.

Queen Esther auxiliary, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet at 2 p. m. Friday at the Masonic Temple. Miss Everett, president, will be in charge of the installation of officers.

Heser Rebekah lodge will hold public installation at 8 p. m. Friday at the hall. Officers to be installed are Mrs. Laura Lombard, noble grand; Mrs. Lela Bryson, vice grand; Mrs. Daisy Windisch, secretary; Mrs. May Davis, treasurer; Mrs. Florence Leach, warden; Mrs. Lucy Bryant, conductor; and Mrs. Beatrice Mortimer and Mrs. Anna Tagge, supporters to the noble grand; Mrs. Mable Bredder and Mrs. Mary Damour, supporters to the vice grand; Mrs. Ruth Latta, guard; Mrs. Bebie Presland, outside guard; Mrs. Miss Williams, musician; Miss Charlotte Windisch, colorbearer; and Mrs. Florence Hendrix, degree captain.



LAUNCH DRIVE—Helping with distribution of infantile paralysis fund drive dime cards are (left to right): Lt. D. G. Emhardt, Battalion Chief Orval Marshall, Capt. Albert Stammer, Chief Harry H. Fulmer, Asst. Chief Charles Gregory and Capt. Oscar Stevenson, all of the fire department.

Firemen Open Annual Dime Drive to Combat Polio

100,000 Cards Will Be Distributed to Homes; Officials Hope to Top \$70,000 Raised Last Year

Indianapolis firemen today started distribution of 100,000 dime cards to homes in the city as the Marion county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis launched its annual fund drive.

Paul V. Brown, campaign director, and Henry O. Goett, chapter president, expressed hope that citizens would contribute more than the

\$70,000 raised last year to combat the disease.

"The 1946 wave of infantile paralysis re-emphasized in grim manner the long uphill fight that is ahead to subdue this dread disease," Mr. Brown pointed out.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Goett announced the following assistant director appointments: Cyrus E. Wood, John T. Barnett, Harland E. Miller, Judge Louis E. Welland, Judson H. West and Chief Fulmer.

Mr. Barnett will direct a "tag day" collection Jan. 25. Mr. Wood will concentrate on industrial firms. Mr. Miller is directing the distribution of 1000 coin boxes and Judge Welland, Mr. West and Chief Fulmer are in charge of the dime card distribution and will direct the showing of moving picture shorts in Indianapolis theaters.

Among major events planned are a fashion show in the Coliseum Jan. 22, a radio stage show in a downtown theater the night of Jan. 31, and an ice show and professional basketball game on dates not yet set.

Six wishing wells will be placed on downtown streets Jan. 13 by W. S. Akin, executive secretary of the Marion county chapter, and 25,000 direct appeals by mail will go out Jan. 15.

Slenker Retains Seat in House

Glenn R. Slenker, Monticello, today retained his seat in the Indiana house of representatives, after resigning yesterday as public service commission counselor.

He was elected last fall to represent Benton and White counties.

No successor has been named for the state agency post. Robert E. Jones, Indianapolis, assistant counselor, has been assigned to Mr. Slenker's duties.

An attorney general's opinion held that Mr. Slenker is the only state employee required to resign from his job in order to attend the 61-day legislative session.

Other legislators holding state jobs are Elmer C. Weller, Dale, PSC motor vehicle director, and Clyde Black, director, flood control and water resources commission. The former is a representative from Perry and Spencer counties, while Mr. Black is a senator representing Cass and Fulton counties.

Shot Kills Boy, 2

HUNTINGTON, Jan. 9 (U. P.). — Ronnie Vance Sande, 2 years old, was killed yesterday when a rifle discharged while he played with two older brothers. The brothers, Gary, 9, and Bobby, 5, said the gun fired when Ronnie tried to take it away from Bobby.

Traffic Penalties To Have Teeth

Four city and county agencies were committed today to a stiffer attitude toward traffic law offenders.

County Prosecutor Judson L. Stark met yesterday with William Remy, safety board president; Judge Alex M. Clark of municipal court 4; Lt. Otis Tynes of the police accident prevention bureau, and others to discuss "chronic" offenders.

It was agreed that an effort will be made to obtain revocation of their licenses.

Mr. Stark said he would assign a full-time deputy prosecutor to press traffic cases. Judge Clark urged police to collect all possible evidence in making arrests.

Hospital to Get Servies Estate

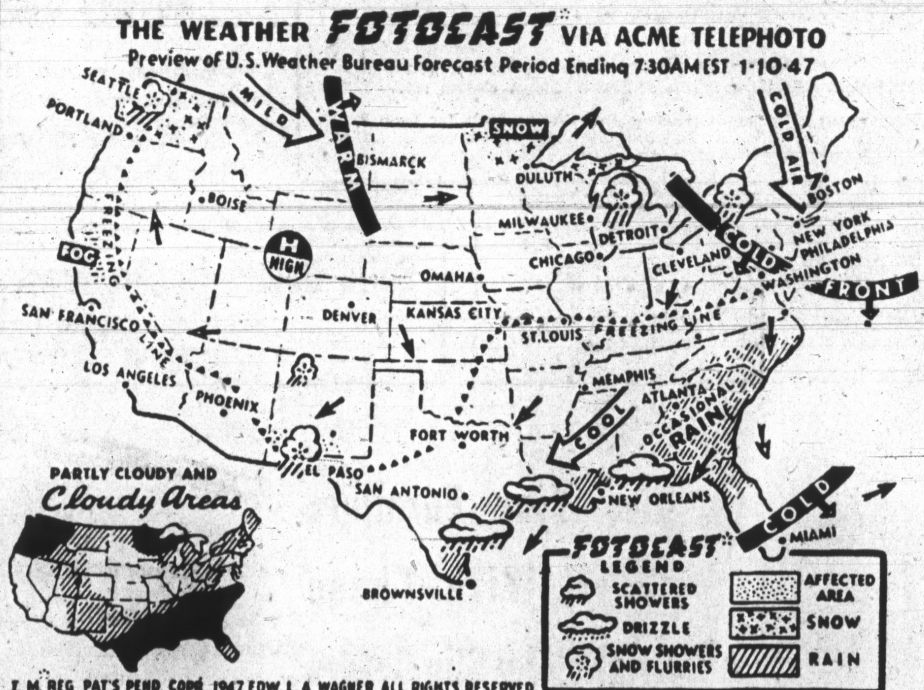
CRAWFORDSVILLE, Jan. 9. — James Whitcomb Riley hospital at Indianapolis eventually will receive most of the \$60,000 estate of Mrs. Emma F. Servies, under the terms of her will admitted to probate in the Montgomery circuit court.

The estate includes a 180-acre farm, three smaller tracts of real estate and an undetermined amount of personal property.

Life estates in the various tracts of land are given to relatives but after their deaths the property will go to the hospital.

All proceeds from the personal property are to go to the hospital upon its disposal.

Mrs. Servies, who died a short time ago, tilled her own land for many years.



NATIONAL 24-HOUR FORECAST SUMMARY: Skies will be overcast in the southeast along the Gulf, in the western Great Lakes region and far northwest. Light rain or drizzle will accompany the cloudiness along the Gulf coast and there will be occasional rain in Georgia, South Carolina and southern portions of North Carolina.

Light snowfall is predicted for Minnesota, northern Wisconsin and upper Michigan, but only in the northern areas of these states as pictured on the Photocast. It will just be cloudy elsewhere in this western Lakes sector.

Snow flurries are expected tomorrow through the mountains of northern New England, the Berkshires and the Alleghenies in northern Pennsylvania. A few showers or snow flurries are also noted for the southern Rockies and New Mexico.

High pressure and the circulation of relatively dry, cold air

over the U. S. will check cloudiness and precipitation in many parts of the country. The middle Atlantic states, central plains and southwest will enjoy mostly fair weather and clear to partly cloudy skies.

The fronts on the map indicate the leading edges of differing air masses. The segment across Florida divides the warm air over the Miami region from the cooler air moving down the Atlantic coast and southwestward into the west Gulf area. A warm front through eastern Montana is the frontier of milder air flowing eastward in that section of the country, while the cold front ranging through Pennsylvania is the weak leading edge of a cold air flow from Canada that is influencing temperatures in the Northeast and eastern Lakes region.

Tomorrow morning minimum temperature forecasts for key American cities follow: Boston 15 degrees; New York and Philadelphia 24 degrees; Washington

and Omaha 28 degrees; El Paso 30 degrees; St. Louis, Kansas City and Portland (Oregon) 32 degrees; Bismarck 30 degrees; Memphis 40 degrees; Los Angeles 44 degrees; Miami 68 degrees.

Official Weather

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU
(All Data in Central Standard Time)
—Jan. 9, 1947—

Station	High	Low
Albany	30	18
Boston	28	16
Chicago	32	20
Cincinnati	32	20
Cleveland	34	22
Denver	32	20
Bransville	46	28
St. Louis	34	22
Indianapolis (city)	32	20
San Antonio	42	30
Los Angeles	71	53
Minneapolis-St. Paul	28	16
New Orleans	42	30
New York	40	28
Oklahoma City	42	30
Pittsburgh	34	22
San Francisco	44	32
St. Louis	34	22
Washington, D. C.	42	30

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CLEARANCE LEATHER COATS

117 LEATHER COATS, were \$35 and 37.50. While they last \$29.75.

63 LEATHER COATS, were \$40 and \$45. While they last \$34.75.

12 were \$20, while they last \$15.

10 were \$30, while they last \$24.75.

32 were \$25 and \$27.50, while they last \$19.75.

In the \$29.75 and \$34.75 sale groups are Goat Skins and Horse Hides and Calfskins—sheep lined and pile lined—and wool lined—among them are Blacks, Browns, Tans, Maples, Blues—some with fur collars.

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