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Presbyterian Men Of Church Hear and Speaker



When the Presbyterian Men of the Church held their banquet in Gilmore Memorial hall Monday night, S. J. Patterson, Jr., Richmond, Va., executive director of men's work of the Presbyterian General assembly, made the principle address. Officers, group leaders, and the speaker shown above are, left to right, seated: J. F. Rivenbark, W. R. Hadley, D. A. Boyette, W. G. Farmer, J. A. Scott, David W. Lewis, William A. Hall and Russell Parks.

CITY SETS BOND ELECTION DATE

Plebiscite On \$700,000 For Utilities Extension Will Be Held In May

Residents of East Wilmington and Sunset Park, newly-annexed areas to Wilmington proper will receive utilities and sewerage facilities after a bond election is held in May, it was indicated yesterday by City attorney W. B. Campbell. The attorney said that May is a favorable month for the election because new residents coming into the city are required to reside in the city at least four months before they are eligible to vote in a bond election.

Fleming To Review Port Fund Request

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(Special to the Star) — Major Fleming, Federal Works administrator, will personally review the North Carolina Ports Authority's application for an advance of \$90,000 to cover costs of a survey of potential Tar Heel port expansion, he assured two officials of the Authority who appealed to him today—the chairman, R. B. Page, Wilmington newspaper publisher, and former Governor J. M. Broughton of Raleigh, attorney.

PRESIDENT ORDERS TUGBOATS SEIZURE

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—(AP)—President Truman late today ordered the Office of Defense Transportation to take over and operate 91 strikebound tugboat companies in New York harbor beginning at 12:01 o'clock tomorrow morning.

DAVIS DECISION EXPECTED SOON

War Department Planning Board To Begin Review Of Facilities Today

The War department's Planning board is expected to begin review this morning of the post-war requirements of physical properties including that of Camp Davis, it was learned yesterday through special dispatches from Washington to the Star. Decision on the \$85,000,000 Davis installation, 30 miles northeast of Wilmington, may be reached before the day is out as it is known that the Davis facility will be among the questions placed upon the table for consideration.

INJURED VETERAN TAKES OWN LIFE

ELIZABETHTOWN, Feb. 5. (Special to the Star) — William Allen Cain, 35, veteran of World War II took his life by hanging himself in a cow stall this morning, according to Coroner T. Young and Sheriff H. M. Clark of Bladen county who were called to the scene. No inquest was deemed necessary by the coroner who said it was a plain case of suicide.

BUILDING PERMITS TOTAL \$258,107

Building permits totaling \$258,107 were issued last month by Gilbert F. Morton, City building inspector. This figure represents the estimated cost of planned construction in the city during the month just passed and indicates an upsurge of building.

BRIGADE PLANNING NEW PAPER DRIVE

Senior Fraternity, Jaycees To Cooperate For Pickup On March 2

A scrap paper drive, the first to be held in the area within the last three months, will be conducted by the Boys Brigade club in cooperation with the Senior Fraternity and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

BRADLEY DENIES STEELE CHARGE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Veterans Administrator Gen. Omar N. Bradley tonight branded as "absolutely without foundation in truth" a new charge by John Steele, national commander of the American Legion, VA is "attempting to dismiss" from his hospitals all but service disabled veterans.

SOLOMON WILL HEAD ANNUAL RED CROSS DRIVE DURING MARCH

Harry M. Solomon was appointed chairman of the March 1946 Red Cross Fund Raising campaign with F. P. O'Crowley as co chairman.

AIR LINE MEET SET FOR TODAY

John L. Morris, assistant to the president of the National Airlines, was scheduled to meet with city, county and civic leaders yesterday afternoon, will meet with the group today, instead.

McMullan Defends State's Right To Submerged Land

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—North Carolina Attorney General Harry McMullan vigorously defended today his state's 160-year old claim to the submerged areas along the more than four hundred miles of its coastline and waterways.

Along The Cape Fear

MIDNIGHT PROWL — There's nothing like a midnight prowling around the deserted streets of Wilmington to make you forget your burdens. You meet such interesting people and you get interested in them and first thing you know you've forgotten what your burdens were in the first place.

COMMISSION MAY USE YARD HERE TO RECONVERT SHIPS FOR PEACETIME COMMERCE

Post Office Savings Deposits Climb Past Million Mark Here

BY JACK LUNAN
Savings deposits at the Wilmington postoffice crossed the \$1,000,000 mark for the first time in history in December, 1945, according to an announcement made yesterday from the office of Postmaster Wilbur R. Doshier. Total deposits as of December 31 amounted to \$1,027,306, and were still climbing at the close of business on January 31, 1946. Total deposits on that date were \$1,035,000.

NCSA Picked To Continue Operations

\$20,000,000 Installation Here Recommended For Permanent Status
PLANS NOT REVEALED
Local Shipbuilding Company Now Working On Vessels For Grace Line

UNO ARGUMENT 'CLOSE' TO END

LONDON, Feb. 5.—(AP)—The United Nations Security Council adjourned suddenly tonight after failing to settle the dispute between Russia and Britain over Greece, but French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault said later "we are very close" to a solution.

NHHS FIVE BARRED FOR REST OF YEAR IN SE CONFERENCE

New Hanover High school was barred from all further Eastern Conference basketball competition and may have to forfeit its six victories already gained this season by virtue of a decision of the executive committee of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association last night, The Star was told last night by T. T. Hamilton, NHHS principal.

ACL PRESIDENT NAMED BY CHERRY

Governor R. Gregg Cherry yesterday announced the appointment of C. McD. Davis, president of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad company to membership on the North Carolina fact-finding commission to study plans for possible future state-wide federated financing of national, state and local agencies.

Security Council Adjourns Without Solution To Tangle

N. J. O. Makin of Australia, Council president, who sat in on the Big Five conference, proposed the adjournment. He gave no explanation for the move which was approved without objection.

MARCH OF DIMES DRIVE ENDS SHORT

With the county quota short \$1,000 the March of Dimes drive ended yesterday in New Hanover county after a total of \$6,500 had been collected for the care of infantile paralysis sufferers.

TAMING OF BILL FAILS IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(AP)—The House repeatedly knocked down attempts to tame a stringent strike control bill today.

Weather Table

FORECAST
North Carolina—Wednesday cloudy and mild, scattered showers west and central portions; higher afternoon temperatures east and central portions.
South Carolina—Wednesday mostly cloudy and mild, scattered showers in northwest portion.

(Eastern Standard Time)
(By U. S. Weather Bureau)

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m. yesterday.

1:30 a.m. 47°	7:30 a.m. 45°	1:30 p.m. 49°
7:30 p.m. 42°	Maximum 50°	Minimum 44°
Normal 47°		

Humidity
1:30 a.m. 67° 7:30 a.m. 78° 1:30 p.m. 82° 7:30 p.m. 82°

Precipitation
Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m.—.05 inches.
Total since the first of the month—0.05 inches.

Tides For Today
(From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey)

High	Low
Wilmington 12:24 a.m. 7:50 a.m.	1:10 p.m. 8:13 p.m.
Masonboro Inlet 20:46 a.m. 4:33 a.m.	11:13 p.m. 5:03 p.m.
Sunrise 7:05 a.m.	Sunset 5:47 p.m.
Moonrise 10:40 a.m.	Moonset 10:40 p.m.

River Stage at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a.m. Tuesday, 10.8 feet.

AND SO TO BED...

It really isn't so surprising now a slogan can catch on. Ben McDonald, in his Round-the-Town radio broadcasts, uses the slogan, "Join the majority and read the Star."

Along The Cape Fear

ALONG THE RIVER FRONT—Grissett's beat is between Market and Dock, which means that he patrols that section of the riverfront that lies between the two streets. He said he'd never seen anything unusual there, though.

Tighter Belts Forecast In Farm Labor Muddle

There is a strong possibility that within the next month or two the citizens of Wilmington and vicinity may have to draw in their belts several notches and try to forget those lettuce salads, radishes, and pole beans which have long made their appearance at the evening supper table.

Along The Cape Fear

hour," he said. "If we're 15 or 16 minutes late in making the call they send a patrol car out to look in all the alleys to see if somebody has knocked our brains out."