

Wilmington and vicinity: Cloudy with occasional rain today followed by clearing weather and much colder tonight and Saturday.

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New Recruiting Officer



First Lieut. Charles J. Markus, who arrived here this week to assume command of the U. S. Army Recruiting station in the Post-office building, is seen at his desk as he starts his new assignment. A native of New York City, Lieut. Markus is a veteran of five and one half years in the Army. (PHOTO BY CAROLINA CAMERA)

ABC BOARD MAKES \$75,000 PAYMENT

Wilmington Receives \$50,000 While County Gets Balance From Profits

Payments totaling \$75,000 were made yesterday to the city of Wilmington and New Hanover county by the Alcoholic Beverage Control board, according to an announcement last night by Board Chairman W. D. MacMillan. The payments, \$50,000 to the city and \$25,000 to the county, were taken from profits realized by the board from sales within the county. Yesterday's payment marked the first of the new year, although revenues from the sale of beverages in New Hanover county have been received previously during the current fiscal year which began July 1, 1946.

NEW YORK POLICE IN BIG MANHUNT

Nine Desperate Men Saw Way Out Of Brooklyn Jail With Hidden Blade

NEW YORK, Jan. 2. —(AP)—Nine prisoners saved their way out of Brooklyn's Raymond street jail Thursday and New York police began a manhunt intensified by a warning from police commissioner Arthur W. Wallender to "be quick on the trigger." Wallender broadcast an alert to patrolmen, detectives and squad cars, describing the escapees as dangerous and ordering officers to be ready to "shoot to kill." The escape occurred between 1:15 and 1:45 p. m. District Attorney Miles F. McDonald expressed the belief the break was aided by "either inside or outside help." McDonald and Commissioner of Correction Albert O. Williams gave this version of the escape: The nine prisoners were returning from a prison medical examination. They departed from the customary route and passed an open door leading into a cell facing the courtyard. One of the men climbed up to the cell window and, using a hacksaw, cut through the bar and squeezed through the 10-inch opening.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

By Alley
EV'YBODY THINK OLE TOM LAZY — BUT HE CLAIM HE JES' GOT SENSE!



Southerners To Filibuster In Bill Case

Threatened to Block Week Session of Mississippi

CHALLENGE PLANNED

Republicans Plan Attempt To Prevent Seating Of "The Man" Today

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. —(AP)—A filibuster in behalf of Senator Bilbo (D.-Miss.) threatened Thursday night after Senate Republicans formally directed their steering committee to try to halt him at the Senate's threshold. Senator Maybank (D.-S.C.) told a reporter that he and certain other Southern Democrats were prepared to "debate a week or longer." He said that if necessary, he would read every line of the voluminous record of a Senate investigation into Bilbo's re-election. This could prevent all Senators elected in 1946 from taking their seats and snarl up organization of the Senate.

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New Cold Wave Blows Out Of Canada On Heels Of Heavy Snowstorms

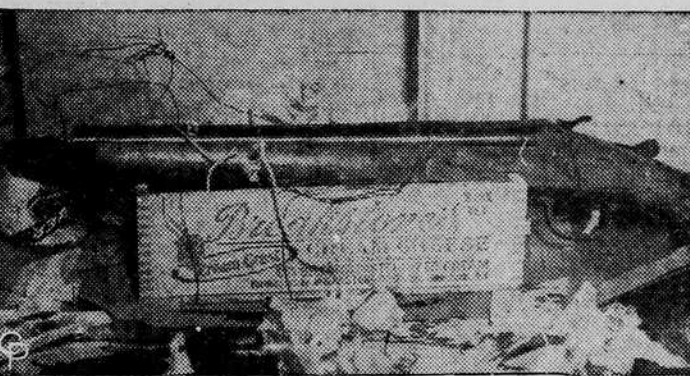
By The Associated Press
Winter pulled out all the stops Thursday bringing heavy snow, freezing rain, sleet and a new bitter cold wave to many parts of the country. Snow, ranging up to 10 inches, fell in a 150-mile wide belt from Northeastern Missouri to Northeastern Iowa. Freezing rain or snow fell in numerous Southern and Eastern areas of the country. A new cold wave blew out of Canada bringing a forecast of temperatures ranging to 30 degrees below zero in Northern Minnesota. The cold air mass was expected to overspread the Great Lakes region Friday and move eastward in somewhat modified form. As the cold moved in, the lowest unofficial temperature reported was -52 below near Butte, Mont. Butte reported -27 and West Yellowstone, which is buried under a 34 inch snow. -32. At midday Thursday, Devils Lake, N. D., reported a high of -17, Minot, N. D., -11 and Bismarck, N. D., -9.

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'Camera-Shotgun' In Death Plot



Here's a closeup of the "camera-shotgun" which figured in a unique shooting in a Times Square, New York, subway station. A charge of pellets from the weapon seriously wounded Mrs. Olga Rocco when it was fired by Pearl Lusk who was under the impression, she told police, that she was taking a picture of the former with a camera. (International)

Many Public Schools Use Non-Standards

Survey By NCEA Shows Some Teachers Holding No Certificates

RALEIGH, Jan. 2.—(AP)—At least 50 per cent of North Carolina's public schools have teachers holding no certificates and who have less than two years college training, the North Carolina Education association reported Thursday after a statewide survey. The survey, conducted by NCEA President C. W. Phillips, drew answers from 150—or 83 per cent—of the 181 administrative school units in the state. Dr. W. Amos Abrams, director of research for NCEA, said the 150 answers showed 96 teaching vacancies in the state and that 642 faculty changes have taken place since the present school year opened last fall. A total of 1,375 "fill-in" teachers were reported and in 81 other instances teachers had doubled up to handle the necessary instruction load. Abrams said the survey revealed that 84 per cent of the teachers covered are "standard" teachers, i.e., with certificates; that 13 per cent hold sub-standard certificates and that only three per cent are "non-standard" teachers. Abrams explained that "non-standard" teachers are those with no certificates and having less than two years college work. He said seven per cent of the 19,868 teachers covered in the survey are teaching only because they were asked to help out during the present shortage. Abrams reported that only 608 of the 19,868 teachers covered in the report have "G" certificates—the highest classification. The great majority—16,179—have "A" certificates, signifying they hold college degrees.

PLANNING BOARD STUDIES PROGRAM

Sub-Division Phase Of City's Master Program Talked At Meeting

A further study of Wilmington's master plan of development was made by the city planning board at a meeting held last night in City Manager J. R. Benson's office in the city hall. Last night's discussion centered about the sub-division phase of the development which has been under consideration for about two years. Following a final decision on the plan to be followed in city development by the commission, it will then be presented to the city council for adoption. H. R. Emory, chairman, presided over the meeting. In attendance were City Manager J. R. Benson, W. A. Fonville, Dr. W. Houston Moore, Mayor W. Ronald Lane, and J. Fred Rippey, Jr.

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Seven Cities In Holy Land Feel Strife

New Jewish Terrorist Campaign Extends From Haifa To Sea Of Galilee

OFFICER KILLED

Stern Gang Believed Involved; North Palestine Roads Being Mined

JERUSALEM, Palestine, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Jewish underground forces, some using home-made flame throwers, attacked British Army targets Thursday night in at least seven cities extending from Jerusalem to Haifa and the Sea of Galilee. Jewish sources expressed belief that the attacks would develop into a 24-hour-a-day, offensive, under the direction of Menahem Beigin, commandant of the Igrun Zval Leumi organization, unless the army took drastic measures. Members of the Stern gang were believed involved in the attacks also. One British officer was killed and three soldiers were wounded in an attack on an army camp in Haifa. At least four persons were wounded—a British soldier, an Arab constable, a Jewish girl cart-woman and a passerby—in wild attacks in Tel Aviv centering on British Army headquarters. Attacks Spread
The Tel Aviv attacks spread to the twin Arab city of Jaffa where an attack on the Army Criminal investigation headquarters was repulsed by heavy fire. An Arab policeman was wounded during an attack on the Army fire station at Hedera, the Jewish colony between Tel Aviv and Haifa. Two 6th Airborne division jeeps were blown up by road mines near Hedera, without causing casualties. As part of their technique in their new surge of violence, the attackers resumed kidnapping of drivers of private cars which they used in forays. Tel Aviv dispatches said 40 underground men fired with automatic weapons from a rooftop into (Continued On Page 2; Col. 7)

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And So To Bed

"Willie Want Ad" might blow his top, but And So To Bed has been having such good luck in finding lost pets recently we feel that we must run this "lost ad." Mrs. R. K. Corbett of 101 South Third street called last night to report that her four months old black and white Scottie disappeared yesterday afternoon and has not returned. If you have seen Mrs. Corbett's pet, won't you please return the Scottie?