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ESTABLISHED 1867

Makes Bid To End Violence

Spokesman For Armed Force Of Agency Reveals Plans Are Complete

NO INFORMER ROLE

British Women And Children Being Evacuated
By Airplanes

A spokesman for Haganah, the amed force of the Jewish agency, declared today that it was prepared to stamp out violence by Jewish underground in Palesine provided the British mandate government did not inter-The spokesman, in an interview.

declared "our battle plans are rawn, our people are ready, but said the Jews would not beome a nation of "informers." government

Meanwhile, the first plane load of 30 British women and children tension-swept Holy Land United Kingdom. ey were the vanguard of 2,000 lians being evacuated by comsion as the British pushed their gram to bring peace to Pales-

In Jerusalem Chief Rabbi Isaac fertzog went again to the jail cell of Dov Bela Gruner, convicted member of Irgun Zvai Leumi. wish underground group, to ask im to sign an appeal that would

Gruner, under death sentence for nattack on a police station, has used to sign appeal papers hich would stay his hanging. The chief rabbinate called upon year-old Black Dahlia Holy Land Jewry to observe

Freidman, sister of Gruner, said

xecution to give her time to fly to Palestine to urge him (Gruner)

to sign an appeal." (She reiterated her belief in her brother's innocence and said she were due to the way in which his

trial was conducted." (Last week Mrs. Friedman was n Washington trying to enlist the aid of the U. S. State Department in behalf of her brother.)

Mrs. Golda Myerson, head of he political department of the ewish agency executive's Jerualem office voiced sentiments centical to that of the Haganah okesman when she told a news nference: "Jew will not turn in-

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UTHERAN PASTOR TO MAKE ADDRESS afternoon at 3:30.

ev. K. Huddle Chosen To Speak At Annual Meeting Of Synod

The Rev. K. Y. Huddle, pastor of Piedmont plan, which calls for ne college in Hickory this

r. Huddle is screduled to speak esday at 10 a. m. man from the

address and so far as is unit disclosed that this group fa- opposed. n this is the first time in a vored the South Piedmont prood of years that the speaker posal. been chosen from Eastern

Uncle Bud Says:

Mussolini's Sweetheart Convicted



Ime. Magda Fontanges (left foreground), one-time sweetheart city to vote independently on the The highlight of the mill, Kermer, and then stepped in as leader of Italy's late Premier Benito Mussolini, enters the court room at Bordeaux. France, during her trial on charges of collaborating with the German Gestapo during the war. She was convicted Friday and was sentenced to 15 years in prison at hard labor. At right sits Mme. Zarapoff, the only defense witness.

(AP Wirephoto via

"DAHLIA" SLAYER **SEARCH CONTINUES**

Police Seeking "Torture Chamber" In Elizabeth Short Case

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 2.—(U.P.)esponsible Jewish leaders fear A polite but nervous young man his execution, which may with bushy blond hair, who destomorrow or Tuesday, perately hunted a room with a bathold be a signal for reprisals tub the night before Elizabeth Zvai Leumi and sub- Short's mutilated body was found, quent military operations direct- was sought today for questioning Jews in Palestine, in the fiendish murder of the 22-Police, seeking a "torture cham-

which piercing, blood - curdling wilmington -Rabbi Hertzog and the mayors Short's slashed and severed but screams were neard in North Beach Resolution in Resol the Jewish communities plan to the another appeal to Gruner mike another appeal to Gruner Pedro-Lomita area after three motomorrow. (In Lancaster, Pa., Mrs. Helen bathtub-hunting young man.

"The man said he needed a room the had sent a cablegram to Sir with a bathtub because his wife Alan Cunningham, British high was under a doctor's care and commissioner of Palestine, asking had to sit in a tub," J. J. Baker, him to grant a stay of execution for motel operator told Capt. Jack Mrs. Freidman said she had but I told him where he might try asked Cunningham to stay Gruner's for a room. He was always polite but nervous."

Baker said the man appeared to

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was "convinced his recent actions COUNTY TEACHERS **WILL MEET TODAY**

Vote On Support Of Pay Increase Proposals Expected At Session

A full discussion of all phases ormer against Jew" and "We North Carolina Education Assoc- chairman, sent a questionnaire iation plans for increases in sal. to 2.088 physicians in the state aries to teachers is slated to be held at a meeting of the county tional, the committee said. unit of the NCEA in the New Hanover High school auditorium this

> been revealed and an all-out effort to heal the branch is expected to

be made. The New Hanover Classroom Teachers association has gone on record as favoring the South St. James Lutheran church, salary increases on a sliding scale. been chosen to deliver the ad- On the other hand, cartain county on gospel ministry at the an- teachers have indicated their supmeeting of the United Evan-port of the NCEA proposal which ical Lutheran Synod of North stipulates, in addition to higher tolina to be held at Lenior pay, a reduction of teacher loads, a better health program and truant officers. Representatives of 13 southeastern North Carolina counties have voted in favor of the NC-EA plan but a later tally on the n each year to deliver the vote of the classroom teachers

> Members of the local Classroom | the medical care plan. Teachers association recently voted in favor of the South Piedmont of a medical student loan fund, program, hearings on which are 975 to 209. scheduled for Thursday before the joint Appropriations committee of

The Weather

(By U. S. Weather Bureau) (Eastern Standard Time) Meteorological data for the 24 hours anding 7:30 p. m. yesterday.

Temperatures
1:30 a. m. 46; 7:30 a. m. 41; 1:30 p. m.

Humidity 1:30 a. m. 72; 7:30 a. m. 53; 1:30 p. m. 6; 7:30 p. m. 73. Precipitation

Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 03 inches. Total since the first of the month

Tides For Today (From the Tide Tables published by U. Holy Land Jewry to observe ber' and a big black sedan from S. Coast and Geodetic Survey).

HIGH LOW 3:30p: Moonset 5:33a.

DOCTORS BACKING ure calling for the divorcement of the division of game and inland

Donahoe. "I never saw his wife. Secret Ballot Shows Op- of Calswell, would be effective posed To Establishing 4-Year School

> GREENSBORO, Feb. 2-(AP)-The ate certificate holders. fact finding committee of North Carolina physicians" tonight re- tee have scheduled hearing on leased the results of a secret bal. the South Piedmont bill for Thurs- Austrian treaty. lot which it said showed "a majority of North Carolina physicians budget message to the assembly are in favor of the good health program, but that approximately two out of every three are opposed to the establishment of a third four-year medical school at

Chapel Hill at this time.' hapel Hill at this time."
The committee, a group of 18 DANCE WILL AID physicians and surgeons headed by h the South Piedmont and the Dr. Elias Faison of Charlotte as Of the 1,240 replies received, 951 were signed. Signatures were op-

Wilmington Cited To the question "Do you think another four-year medical school A split over which plan will re- for whites is needed at this time

ceive the support of county has in North Carolina?" 418 answered 'yes'' and 781 answered "no". To the question "if one is to be located?" These replies were received: Charlotte 642; Asheville 80; Greensboro 72; Raleigh 43; Wilmington 24, and numerous scattered choices.

The committee asked the doctors if they thought the state should make "all necessary improve-ments and enlargements" in existing state hospitals before considering appropriations for a fouryear medical school.

The replies showed 996 in favor of such improvements first and 172 The doctors voted heavily in

favor of five other proposals of They approved: Establishment

Special study and provision for

he General Assembly in Raleigh. (Continued on Page 2; Col. 7)

Plumber Takes Churchill To Task Over King Issue

DENVER, Feb. 2. -(A)- An eru- | Churchill: "There's something dite plumber fixed a faulty stop- wrong with the plumbing." per in Randolph Churchill's hotel bathroom here and engaged him in world today. debate almost as heated as Churchill's father, Winston, encounters in million Americans complained the House of Commons.

The son of Britain's wartime What about this? I draw my bath prime minister arrived here on a and the water all runs out. I shave locating a map of the Port City their next visit here. ecture engagement and on check- and when I try to rinse my dirty Athus Willys was sent to the room. Thereafter, Churchill told report- over here?" ers the conversation went like

Plumber: "Well, there's some thing wrong everywhere in the the river front were awarded in

Churchill: "For four years five about the plumbing in England.

Plumber: "What are you doing

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Facing Busy Of War With U. S. Propagandc;

Mecklenbur To Delegation To Constitution Delegation Delegation To Constitution Delegation Del NAS Reduce Sales Rejected By Finance Committee

county-wide liquor referendum.

Rep. Frank K. Sims, Jr., said the date for a county-wide election. and other Mecklenburg representa-

Last week's session was the first for a liquor referendum in Hickory. Such a measure would allow the salary for teachers.

North and South Carolina and Georgia
Fair and slightly warmer Monday and londay night. Tuesday, partly cloudy

M. Mull of Cleveland, longtime school term and the beginning of temperance leader and a former another.

This three-months period Kered the league to take heart, con- ahead of teaching children. tinue its work and seek aid from other sources.

Puts Foot Down

Senator Joe L. Blythe, who is also shortly. Kermon revealed. liquor control.

Two of the most-heated bills expected to reach the floor this ses-Sunrise 7:08; Sunset 5:44; Moonrise last week, one was the South Piedmont plan to boost pay of fisheries from the state department of conservation and development

Providing Raises The South Piedmont pay-boost during the biennium starting July 42.15 to 99.67 per cent for gradu-The joint appropriations commit-

day night. . Governor Cherry in his biennial

recommended 20 per cent raises for teachers and other state employes for the next biennium.

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MARCH OF DIMES

County Chairman Makes Appeal For Return Of Mail Contributions

where do you think it should be The dance will be held from 9 p. m. to 2 a.m.

county drive fall far short of the goal of \$8,200, Rhodes said. Only. 625 of the 9.300 letters mailed to residents of New Hanover have been returned to the March of Dimes headquarters, he said, and urged that all persons who received the letters with a blank check to mail them in as soon as

Week Ahead New Bill To Boost Teacher Pay

New Hanover Representa- Last Obstacle To Formation Of New Regime Names Winston Churchill tive Outlines Proposed Legislation

Representative Robert M. Kerbon, Sr., revealed last night that RALFIGH, Feb. 2-(A)-As legis- he will introduce a bill in the state lators began returning here to be legislature calling for all state would seek, probably this week, a they are now receiving for nine ernmental crisis.

A committee hearing on this bill wiry, stubborn Alcide De Gasperi, would introduce a bill setting will probably take place this leader of the Centrist Christian before President Enrico De Ni
The ambassador said in an address that the anxiety and fear of a week, he said .

The measure as outlined by the he resigned the premiership two and J. B. Volger-indicated sup-tive would provide a 33 and one- a cabinet which would surmount third per cent pay increase and intramural political quarreling. to hear a peek out of the liquor question. A bill came forth calling stimulating and substitute for the Kermon-sponsored measure headed an Italian government. He

establishment of alcoholic bev. mon explained, is that the three of the republic's first cabinet, erage control stores. As the Hickory bill was hitting as a vacation and a supplementary of seven Christian Democrats, the noppers, trustees of the Allied period for education could be spent three communists, three socialists Church League for abolition of ir summer school and rest in and two independents, is, however, beverage alcohol was adopting a stead of in some other mode of resolution calling for the introduc employment. As the situation now ion of a statewide referendum bil. stands, he said, a teacher must Such a bill would likely be in for seek summer employment for the a tussle, for veteran legislator Odus time between the ending of one of the government was dissolved M. Mull of Cleveland, longtime school term and the beginning of

not believe such a measure would mon asserted, could better be pass in this legislature, but he urg- spent in preparation for the work

Drainage Aid Anothed bill, this one designed to allow the New Hanover board of The Charlotte city council had county commissioners to allocate earlier proposed a bill to confine funds for the relief of bad drainage the liquor election to Charlotte conditions in some areas, is also alone. But it was understood that scheduled to be introduced very

pro-tem of the senate, put his foot | The action toward granting the down on that, declaring that the commissioners the needed power lives of the rural residents of for drainage relief follows closely Mecklenburg were too closely in- on the heels of requests by various terlocked with the City of Char- county groups that something be conviction of President John L. lotte to consider any division of done to help sections in need of Lewis and his United Mine Workproper drainage.

sion, were sent to the hoppers RUSSIANS SLOW ON TREATY DRAFTING flouted a federal court injunction directing him to call off the coal

Reluctance To Show Cards the union \$3,500,000 and they Hinders Foreign Ministers' Parley

LONDON, Feb. 2 - (P) - Dip- indication of its plans, it is ex-I and provide raises ranging from lomatic circles expressed cautions pected to decide the case with dis-25.3 per cent to 84.84 per cent for optimism today over the prospects patch. Lewis' armistice in the gov-"A" certificate holders, and from of a double German peace, as the ernment-controlled coal mines excouncil of deputy foreign ministers pires on March 31. Also, by law reached the half-way mark, but the courts are required to give an Amreican authority said Russia contempt cases priority. was delaying completion of an Lewis has been attending the

The American official said the Florida and it is not known Russians' "reluctance to show whether he will be here in event their cards," had been a major the decision comes down. The drawback in work on the Austrian major issue, from the governpact. He added that the American, ment's standpoint, is whether one French and British deputies could man - in this case Lewis - can have completed a proposed treaty call a strike endangering the nafor Austria in two weeks, but Rus- tional welfare. sian tactics made it impossible to predict whether any sort of draft dozen mileposts in judicial intercould be completed by the Feb 25 pretation of labor legislation.

leaps and bounds near the end of her Labor Relations act. the session when the "sparring"

Indications are that the Russians men are "employes" just as much attitude is toward the evacuation titled to elect a union to bargain Half the proceeds of the dance of occupation troops from Austria. over wages and working condiagreement was about. tonight at the Famous Club will The French and British have let it tions. go to the New Hanover March of be known they favor withdrawal Meantime, the Lewis and fore-Dimes campaign, according to W. within 60 days after signing or rat- man's cases both are getting prime door of the police station last established, but not in Chapel Hill. K. Rhodes, Jr., county chairman. ification of the treaty. The Amer- attention from the republican Conicans are willing to pull out the gress. The supreme court's deci day the treaty is ratified, provid- sions unquestionably will influence Funds contributed thus far in the ed other occupation forces with proposed legislation. draw from Austria at the same In still another case, the court

visit Germany and Austria before er a state board can direct a firm, he had been in the city since the going to the Moscow conference of which is subject to the NLRB reg- slaying. ulation, to bargain with a union foreign ministers next month. Another U. S. informant — a topwhen the NLRB has withheld such
lowing the shooting he fled from
anking diplomat — said developan order ranking diplomat - said develop- an order.

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Often we hear the comment that

it's too bad the customhouse is located in such a place that many

visitors to the Port City never get

The complaint appears valid,

particularly in view of the fact

that the customhouse must be view-

beauty of the federal building.

Along The Cape Fear

OLD CUSTOMHOUSE - Thanks | "Its construction was largely due to Mr. Charles W. McIver of Kure to the efforts of B. F. Keith, col-Beach, Along The Cape Fear can lector of customs, and by Colonel bring you a picture of the Old Walker Taylor, his successor in have deadlocked on the question. (Continued on Page 2; Col. 1) Customhouse which was torn down office," the distinguished local histo make way for the new magnifi- torian states. cent structure located on the bank of the Cape Fear in the Port If you will be kind enough to to see the building.

turn to Page Three you can see the photographic reproduction of the old buildnig. According to Andrew J. Howell, author of "The Book of Wilming-

ton," contracts for the construction of the new customhouse on April, 1916. GREAT ATTRACTION - Mr.

and calls it one of the greatest at-

tractions in Wilmington.

WELL WORTH EFFORT - All residents of Southeastern North Howell, who honored this column Carolina should make it a point only recently when he told us of to visit the customhouse during ing from the civil war, and night and snow storms, Hess reported. ing into his room found a faulty whiskers out the water all stays ing the Revolutionary War, says in it's a shame only those in the during the British occupation durhis book that the finished building neighboring a ea engaged cost about three million dolla s

"moonshining" are sure to see the

Premier-De Gasperi, Christian Democrat (incumbent). stipulating a 25 per cent boost in was the last premier under the ian Democrat, minister of posts monarchy, which fell last sum- and telegraphs in the preceding Miami chapter of the Council of cabinet. The new cabinet, which consists

preceding cabinet. still so narrowly balanced that Christian Democrat. it differs little from its predeces-

The last obstacle to formation

COURT MAY RULE

directing him to call off the coal

strike. He was fined \$10,000 and

promptly challenged the govern-

ment's right to break the strike

While the court has given no

ers (AFL).

by injunction.

State Solons Soviet Ambassador Brands Talk

Dissolves When Leftist Elements Withdraw Fight On Conservative

gin another busy week, indications teachers to be paid on a 12 month government since its birth seven withdrew their opposition to Luigi tonight that "that shadow which were that Mecklenburg's delegation basis at the same monthly salary months ago, ending a 13-day gov. Gasparotti as minister of national has lately been darkening our re-The new regime was headed by personally was too conservative, real state of affairs between the The cabin t then was sworn in two peoples."

Democratic party, who said when cola. trees—Harvey Morris, Ed Tonissen New Hanover county representatives—weeks ago that the country needed De Nicola's office showed this composition of the new cabinet:

Interior-Mario Scelba Christ-

Campilli, Christian Democrat, Great Britain as one of those who minister of foreign trade in the Foreign Trade-Ezio Vanoni,

Agriculture - Antonio Segni. Christian Democrat (incumbent). United States and said:

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 3. -(AP) Decision On Mine Leader's An eminent scientist said today that sea serpents - those Contempt Conviction Is fantastic creatures of the deep that many think are one-tenth Eyed By Congress fish and nine-tenths imagination - might still be found lurking WASHINGTON Feb. 2 - (U.R) six miles deep in the ocean. The supreme court tomorrow

"There are probably animals swimming around down there that no one has ever seen," Dr. Richard H. Fleming, chief of the division of oceanography of the U. S. navy hydrographic of-The justices recessed two weeks fice, said in a broadcast over a local radio station. ago after hearing arugments in Dr. Fleming was politely

skeptical of sea serpent "sightings some time ago at Loch Ness, Scotland, and off British Columbia. But he said that ribbon fish, which usually live many fathoms deep, are occasionally seen on the surface "swimming in loops or convolutions exactly like the traditional

FATAL SHOOTING

AFL executive council meeting in Burney Smith Surrenders peoples, and particularly with the To Police Following Death Of Elmer Stokes

Smith, Negro, wanted since Sat. strengthening our economic, comurday on a murder charge, ended mercial and cultural ties. last night when he walked into The case is only one of half a police headquarters at 10:15 and surrendered.

The search for Smith began the world. Foremost among the others is The American official was quick whether foremen and other super- before midnight Saturday after the o add, however, that work on the visory employes have collective body of Elmer Stukes, Negro, was Austrian pact might progress by bargaining rights under the Wag- found on the sidewalk in front of 1006 Miller street with a bullet The national labor relations wound over his heart. Witnesses board takes the position that fore- to the shooting affair told police that Smith had fatally shot Stukes may reveal this week what their as rank and file workers, and en- following a heated argument. It was not disclosed what the dis-

> When Smith walked into the night, he calmly remarked "I'm Burney Smith."

the circumstances I had to."

is weighing comparitive powers An American spokesman said of state labor relations boards and had been out of town since the for everyone amid a GOP family Secretary of State Marshall might the NLRB. It must decide wheth- death of Stukes he replied that argument on whether the measure

He later told police that folthe scene after tossing the pistol steering committee denied he had A group of American Federation in a hole near the sidewalk.

Francisco Bay area, in another a charge of murder and lodged in which would give large and small case, has asked the high court the New Hanover county jail with income groups the same percentto revise their anti-trust convic- out privilege of bond. tions. They contended that the Prior to Smith's surrender, Mag-

prosecutions. The case is before nesses under \$500 bond. Police and means committee just like

Radar Locates Groundhog As Prophet Sees Shadow

QUARRYVILLE, Pa., Feb. 2. - | the aid of a special "radar" set. to really appreciate the charm and made their 39th annual weather emerged from its hole. ported their patron saint, the prophet saw its shadow silhouetted

Some way lamented the fact that nearby New Providence to consult scribed as consisting of a 25-yearsighted at 10:15 a. m. by hibernating governor Charles S. Hess with (Continued on Page 2; Col. 4)

U.R)- Disciples of the Ancient Or- Hess declared the "radar" picked ed from the Cape Fear river itself der of Slumbering Groundhogs, who up vibrations of the animal as it forecasting pilgrimage today, re- However, the small weather

groundhog, saw his shadow and against the snow which had fallen predicted six more weeks of winter, since last midnight and scurried Prophets and patriarchs of the back to its winter quarters to sleep lodge donned high silk toppers, dat- out six more weeks of bitter winds shirts, and took to the fields at The lodge's "radar" set was de-

with their saint about the weather old radio set, an obsolete acetylent for the remaining weeks of winter gas generator, three auto horns, a The first official groundhog was headlight, windshield wiper and an

RUSSIA'S DEBT

As Example In Address At Miami, Fla.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 2. -ROME. Feb. 2-(P)-The Italian in a series of early morning con-P Nicolai V. Novikov, Russian republic today installed its second ferences when leftist elements expressed "deep confidence" here defense on the ground that he lations is not the reflection of the

> dress that the anxiety and fear of a new war which arose during 1946 resulted from the "activities of some political groups" which are "deliberately propagandizing a new war and sewing uncertainty and mistrust so that they could fish in troubled waters."

American-Soviet Friendship Treasury and Finance-Pietro rectly named Winston Churchill of "come forward openly or in disguise with projects of organizing blocs and 'federations' directed against the Soviet Union,"

Novikov voiced friendship for the

"The Soviet people x x x highly appreciate and will never forget the help and the splendid military of the American people. The friendship of our peoples, which played such an important role in the achievement of victory STILL ROAM OCEAN over the common enemy, can and must play a far greater role now. in time of peace, when mankind is laying the foundation for a universal, durable peace. x x x The success of this important task depends mainly upon the cooperation of the great powers - the Soviet Union, he United States of America and Great Britain.

Novikov said the "stupid and narmful talk" about an iron curtain and an alleged aggressive policy by the Soviet Union was invented by Nazi Propaganda Minister Goebpels and repeated later by Church-"Look without any mental reservation and without any prejudice at

the activities of the people of the Soviet Union, at the tremendous and urgent tasks confronting them, at the activities of the Soviet government and of Soviet diplomacy he urged. "You will be completely satisfied then that the charges which are so lavishly cast at the Soviet Union are unfounded. "The peoples of the Soviet Union

have defended and are ready in the future to defend their independence, but their only and sincere wish in their relations with other countries is the establishment of peace throughout the world. "Following this road, the Soviet

people welcome friendship and peaceful cooperation with energetic and industrious people of the United States of America Loose talk about the impossibility of peaceful cooperation between our countries has absolutely no ba-A 24-hour search for Burney sis. We have every possibility for

"May the friendship of the Soviet and American peoples grow and strengthen as the stronghold of peace and security of the peoples of

INCOME TAX CUT HOPES MOUNTING

Knutson Renews His Demands For Straight 20 Per Cent Slash

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2. -(AP)-He admitted the shooting by say- Chairman Knutson (R.-Minn.) of ing, "I hated to do it but under the House Ways and Means committee renewed his stand today for When asked whether or not he a flat 20 per cent income tax cut should give more relief to the poor than the rich. His "no retreat" position appear

thrown overboard the "across the of Labor lumber unions in the San Smith was formally arraigned on board" principle of Knutson's bill. age cut. "I have seen no good reason to Norris - Laguardia anti-injunction gie Wall and Raymond James change my bill." Knutson told re-

act protects them against such were being held as material wit- porters. "It will go before the vays the court for the fourth successive time. In other years the justices said the two were present at the revisions, if any." Taft issued a statement saying there has been some misunder-

standing of my remarks concerning the budget and the possible income ax reductions over a national net-

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And So To Bed

It might be well to say at the beginning that any prediction as to future weather based upon the actions of the groundhog does not carry the official opproval of Weather man Paul Hess. Nevertheless, if the lowly

the open chances are he scurried back into his lair, for lo the sun didst shine on Wilmington yesterday. So, if tradition continues and

creature did venture out into

is true, the next 60 days will be wintry ones.

eek's laundry came home in

Prune said his last