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FORECAST:

Wilmington and vicinity: Considerable cloudiness of the Atlantic coast today and clearing tonight. Friday partly cloudy with showers and continued warm.

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ACL To Seek Service Cut

Thirty-Eight Small Towns Would Be Affected By Schedule Slash

Thirty-eight small communities located from Wilmington to Portsmouth, Virginia, are threatened with the discontinuance of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad trains which furnish them almost all their mail, express and passenger service, it was learned last night.

Notices have been posted along the 241 miles of Atlantic Coast Line railroad from Wilmington to Portsmouth, Va., advising that application will be made on June 5 to the Utilities commission for permission to discontinue all day-time train service at 38 of its stations along that route.

The railroad company proposes to discontinue trains number 48 and 49, the only two trains giving day-light service at 38 of the 42 stations along this 241 miles of railroad.

Losing Money
Atlantic Coast Line officials last night said that the reason for eliminating the service was that the trains were "losing money," and added that it is usually the motive behind discontinuing any train service. "When a train is making money, it is kept in operation," they said. "When it is losing money, it is discontinued." The railroad operates trains number 45 and 46 along most of this route, and these trains stop at only four points and are of no service to the 38 smaller towns along the route, it was learned.

Trains 41 and 42 operate late at night and are of little service to the smaller towns, but the trains carry passengers, but the trains furnish practically all of that service to the 38 smaller communities of this route.

Residents Protest
According to residents along the route, who would be affected by the cut, comparatively little inconvenience or interruption in service would be felt if the four other trains, 45, 46, 41 and 42, which operate at night, were discontinued. But the discontinuance of trains 48 and 49 would be keenly felt if the trains are discontinued, the smaller towns' mail will be delayed a full day, even to communities close by.

INVALIDS BREAK STATIC BUGABOO

Baltimore Brothers Produce Radio Set Which Noise Don't Bother

BALTIMORE, May 28 — (AP) — Two invalid brothers who have been repairing radios for a living said today they had perfected a receiving set which eliminated the biggest bug of modern broadcasting—static.

C. Baker and Robert L. Story developed the receiver in their repair shop, with Baker doing most of the "inventing." He has been working with radios for 22 years. "We regard this as the most important development in radio since 1925 when the superheterodyne was introduced," Baker said today.

If their set can do all the brothers claim, it might conceivably revolutionize the radio market. Their receiver is for amplitude modulation broadcasts, the prevailing type at present. If practicable, it would match the principal advantage of the developing frequency modulation system—absence of static—while retaining long-range reception.

Baker said his new set picks up AM broadcasts which sound better than FM.

The Weather
(Eastern Standard Time)
(By U. S. Weather Bureau)
North Carolina—Considerable cloudiness and warm with scattered thunderstorms today, followed by clearing and cooler Northwest portion Thursday night. Friday partly cloudy and cooler, except thundershowers and continued warm coastal area.

Miller May "Rest" At Wife's Old Home

Lumberton Citizens Now Voice Probability That Victim Of "Love Shooting" Will Be Taken To Currin Farm

By RANDOLPH S. HANCOCK Staff Correspondent
LUMBERTON, May 28 — The probability that David Miller, young Robeson county merchant, will be carried to the home of his father-in-law when he is released from Baker sanatorium next week, as voiced here today.

Miller was shot with a .38 calibre pistol Sunday evening, May 11, by Fred Wiggins, young Negro employed by Allen Currin, Miller's father-in-law, as he slept in his bed at home.

Thieves Steal Evidence Of Missouri Vote Fraud

"DIFFICULTIES" Steel Doors In Vault Of Board Of Elections Office Rifled

SANTA ANA, Calif., May 28 — (AP) — A defense lawyer in the murder trial of Louise Overell and George Gollman, who are charged with robbing the Missouri State Board of Elections, said today that he had evidence of a vote fraud in that state.

CITY COUNCIL SET FOR ORGANIZATION
Rumble Of Possible Tax Boost Already Audible Around Hall Offices

The new city council will hold its organization meeting Saturday. But action on the outcome of a new budget for the municipal government will be in the air for a few weeks.

Whether the budget will be increased over this year has not yet been determined. But there is some difference of opinion already in evidence.

That became evident yesterday as council members and city officials at the city hall undertook discussions. Mayor Ronald Lane expressed a hope that no increase in municipal government revenues will be necessary.

CONGRESS TO PROBE COMMUNIST "ANGLE" IN REYNOLDS STRIKE

WASHINGTON, May 28. — (AP) — Charges that a strike at the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company at Winston-Salem, N. C., is Communist-inspired are slated for a Congressional investigation, Chairman J. Parnell Thomas (R-N.J.) said today.

MASKED BANDITS GET \$87,000 IN HOLDUP AT COLUMBIA, S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 28. — (AP) — Three masked men, one armed with a rifle, staged a dawn hold-up here today that netted a reported \$87,000 in cash from a home in a fashionable residential section.

Senate Slashes \$4,000,000,000 Yearly From Income Tax Bracket; CIO-UAW Turn Down Ford Bid

DETROIT, May 28. — (AP) — The CIO United Auto Workers today rejected an offer from the Ford Motor Co. of the equivalent of a 1 cent an hour wage increase for 130,000 production employees because it did not include an old-age retirement plan.

The offer called for an 11-1/2 cent hourly wage increase plus six paid annual holidays, a pattern similar to that accepted in other auto plants.

With a retirement plan, a spokesman added, the wage offer might be acceptable.

However, Ford went ahead with plans for a 10 cent per cent hike for 20,000 salaried employees, to become effective June 1. It was announced in conjunction with the offer to the UAW-CIO.

Richard T. Leonard, UAW-CIO vice president and national director of its Ford department, accused the company of attempting to "limit negotiations on vital issues" by eliminating discussion of the pension proposal.

More at Stake
"The issues between the company and the union involve more than just a wage increase," Leonard said in a joint statement with Thomas Thompson, head of the union negotiating committee.

"Equally important factors are the human needs of the workers involving old-age retirement and social security benefits."

Leonard said negotiations with the Ford would resume Monday. The union threatened a strike vote earlier this week because of difficulties in contract discussions.

WARREN JOHNSON STEPS UP TODAY
Wilmingtonian Slated For Presidency Of N. C. Bankers Association

ASHEVILLE, May 28. — (AP) — Election of officers and an address by Walter Fuller of Philadelphia president of the Curtiss Publishing company, will highlight the first general session here tomorrow morning of the 51st annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers' association.

Approximately 700 bankers from throughout the state are expected to attend the convention, which will have as its theme "the part bankers can play in establishing a better world economy."

If precedent is followed, Warren S. Johnson, first vice-president of the Peoples Savings Bank and Trust company, Wilmington, will be elevated from the first vice-presidency to the presidency of the association in tomorrow's election.

CAB TO REVIEW AIRLINE AWARD
South East Airlines Protesting Board Decision On Local Certificate

WASHINGTON, May 28. — (AP) — Petitions for reconsideration of the Southeastern States Case decision are under "active review" by the Civil Aeronautics Board, Senator Olin D. Johnston of South Carolina was informed today by the CAB.

Along The Cape Fear
Water Soft — Wilmington's water supply is really soft. That fact is disclosed by an analysis of the water conducted by both city and state officials.



KIWANIS LADIES NIGHT as usual was an enjoyable affair and just before the dinner, the photograph snapped the above group at the speakers table. Reading right to left are the Rev. Walter B. Freed, club secretary and Mrs. Fred, Rex Willis, president and Mrs. Willis, George D. Conant, vice president and Mrs. Conant, Mrs. Ed Rawls, Greenville and Ed Rawls, lieutenant governor of the 7th Kiwanis district; Mrs. Cullin Johnson and Cullin Johnson, after dinner speaker.

Hamilton Named President Of Wilmington Jr. College

REGULATION OF STATE MILK SUPPLY TO BE DECIDED TODAY

RALEIGH, May 28. — (AP) — Whether the State of North Carolina will have its milk supply regulated on a state-wide basis will be decided tomorrow by the State Board of Agriculture.

The board's session will be open to both the public and representatives of the dairy industry, Agriculture Commissioner W. Kerr Scott, said.

TEXAS CITY MAYOR CHANGES MIND OVER THOSE 'DAM YANKEES'

LANSING, Mich., May 28. — (AP) — The coiners of the term "Damyankes" left out a word, Mayor J. O. Trahan of Texas City, Texas, told the Michigan House of Representatives today.

HOUSE APPROVES AD "MONEY" BILL
Appropriation Of \$40,000,000 Added To Department Funds

WASHINGTON, May 28. — (AP) — The House approved without a fight tonight a \$40,000,000 increase in the 1948 agriculture department appropriation bill after having beaten down earlier all efforts to make major changes.

SIXTY PATROLMEN GUARD MILL GATES
Extra Detail Placed On Duty At Rockingham Plant After Melee

ROCKINGHAM, May 28. — (AP) — Approximately 60 highway patrolmen were on duty here tonight after the running of two railroad cars into the siding of the strike-bound Safie textile mill resulted in flying fists and other disorder.

"Battle Of The Plaque" Now "Mystery Of Marker"

FAIRHOPE, Ala., May 28. — (AP) — "The Battle Of The Plaque" became the "Mystery Of The Missing Marker" today — a sequel to the marking of a nearby Confederate battleground.

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