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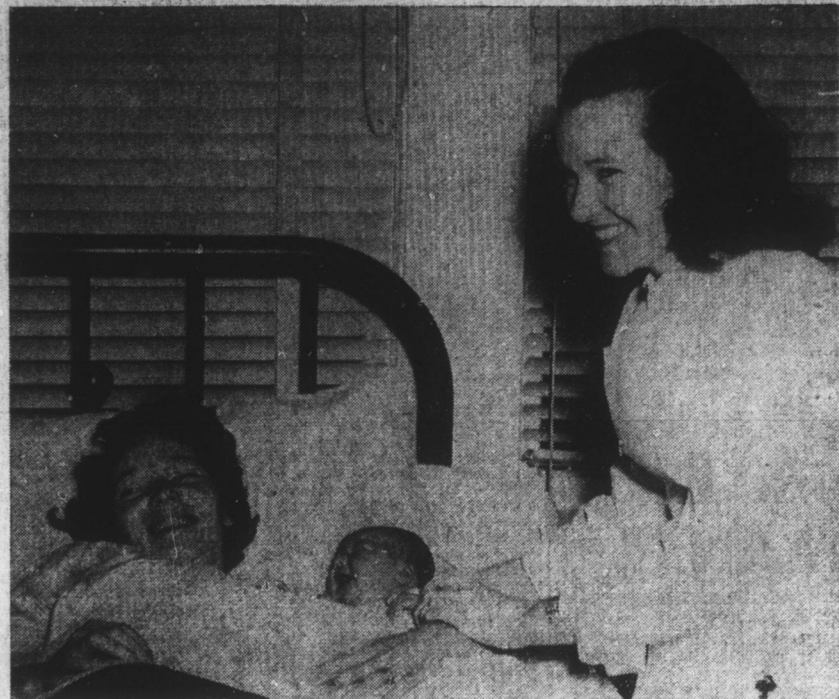
Around Capitol Square

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PORTRAIT — Now that North Carolina's star is back on the panel in the hall of the house of representatives in Washington, maybe something can be done about getting Henry Clay's portrait off the wall of the house of representatives in Raleigh. Nobody seems to know just how the big picture of the Kentuckian got its place of honor on the south wall of the capitol, most honored position in the hall, while George Washington and Zeb Vance take less honored positions on the sides.

INAPPROPRIATE — So far as most historians can learn, Henry Clay's association with North Carolina is not such as to justify great tribute from the state. He sat under an oak tree in Raleigh and wrote the letter embodying his famous statement, "I'd rather be right than president," and someone has said he succeeded in being neither. He was a candidate for president and was defeated by James K. Polk of North Carolina. A statue of Polk is included in the group on the capitol grounds with Andrew Jackson and Andrew Johnson, but long before that statue was erected Henry Clay's portrait adorned the capitol.

PROTEST — The late A. J. Maxwell protested vigorously and in his campaigns for governor in 1932 and 1940 made dozens of speeches in which he called for more careful attention to North Carolina history. Maxwell did not get to be governor, and the Clay portrait remained where it was. Hope was expressed in some quarters last month that the picture would not be rehanging but it is back again behind the speaker's dais dominating the scene as the new legislature convenes. One member suggests that there might be an element of appropriateness for this special occasion since Henry Clay was known as the (Continued On Page Four)



FIRST '51 BABY BORN IN DUNN HOSPITAL—Mrs. Lois Parker, wife of James R. Parker, of Dunn, Route 5 is pictured here in Dunn Hospital with her newborn daughter—the first baby born at the local hospital this year. The pretty little girl, who hasn't yet been named, arrived at 4:02 a. m. January 1, and so far is the first baby reported born in this section this year. The Daily Record contest for the first baby will not close until January 10th, however. The winning baby will receive a big bundle of gifts from Dunn business men. Pictured here with Mrs. Parker and the baby is Mrs. Lucy Cain of Dunn, nurse at the hospital. Dr. Marvin Poole was the attending physician and Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence was the attending nurse. Mr. and Mrs. Parker have three other children. Mr. Parker holds a position with the H. P. Johnson Oil Company here. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

Senator Young To Introduce Referendum Bill Tomorrow

By WADE LUCAS
Record Correspondent

RALEIGH, Jan. 2—Senator-elect J. Robert Young of Harnett today was poised to toss into the Senate hopper a bill tomorrow to allow a

State-wide referendum on the sale of legal liquor anywhere in North Carolina.

The Harnett senator, returning to the State's legislative halls for the first time since the early 1930's when he took the lead in offering legislation that led to the State's taking over the public schools' support, said today:

In offering the bill for a State-wide referendum on the sale of legal liquor anywhere in North Carolina, I am merely carrying out a promise I made to the people of Harnett County in my campaign for the Senate nomination last summer.

GREGORY FOR ROYSTER
Meanwhile, Harnett's Representative-elect Carson Gregory, a first-term, is reportedly set to vote tonight for Fred S. Royster of Vance for Speaker of the House in the 1951

session of the General Assembly convening tomorrow at noon. Royster is regarded rather generally as holding the underdog role in his fight for the speakership with the veteran and conservative W. Frank Taylor of Wayne.

The Taylor forces said they had "given up any hope" of getting Gregory's vote in what could be but which is not expected to be too close a fight for the speakership.

As the 110 Democratic members of the 120-member House of Representatives squared off today for the caucus tonight at which they will name their speaker and other officers, Taylor claimed support of "almost two-thirds" of the Democratic membership and Royster said he would win by a margin of from 10 to 15 votes.

Governor Scott will address a joint session of the Senate and (Continued On Page Seven)

81st Congress Will Wind Up Its Work Today

Action On Defense
Spending Is
Scheduled Today

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 — (UP) — The 81st Congress met for perhaps the last time today to complete action on "must" bills of the Lame Duck session.

Barring a last-minute hitch, the House and Senate will adjourn sine die sometime today to clear the way for the new 82nd Congress convening at noon tomorrow.

A deadlock on any of the pending bills could delay adjournment until tomorrow morning.

The big ones awaiting final action in the Senate would provide almost \$20,000,000,000 in emergency defense spending and would set up a \$3,100,000,000 civil defense program to protect U. S. cities against atomic attack.

The House must enact a Senate-approved bill reviving the President's World War II powers to permit renegotiation of defense contracts.

It completed action yesterday on the \$3,300,000,000 corporation war tax bill and sent it to the White House for President Truman's signature.

ELSEWHERE IN CONGRESS
Leadership—House and Senate Democrats and House Republicans met to elect party leaders for the new Congress. Sen. Ernest W. McFarland, Ariz., was expected to be elected Senate Democratic leader over Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney, Wyo. House leaders of both parties were assured of re-election without a contest.

Challenge—Sen. Clinton P. Anderson D., N. M., planned to ask the Democratic conference to look into complaints against "slandering" attacks used during the McCarthy campaign in which John Marshall Butler, R., defeated Sen. Willard E. Tydings, D. It was believed unlikely that the Democrats would do anything to prevent Butler from taking his seat.

"TOO SLOW"
Defense—Sen. Paul H. Douglas, D., Ill., protested that the Nation's rearmament target has been too low and progress too slow. He said a "quick beefing up of the military" and methods of financing the cost are the most urgent matters facing the new Congress.

Procedure—The American Civil Liberties Union urged the house to defeat any attempt to restore power of the rules committee to prevent legislation from reaching the floor. It said no restriction should be placed on "the ability of Congress (Continued On Page Seven)



NEW CHAMBER DIRECTOR — Henry M. Tyler, shown here at his desk this morning, has been announced as the third new director of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce for 1951. He will go on the board with Otis Warren and Charles Skinner, the other two new directors. Charles D. Hutaff, Sr., was also named to the board, but was unable to serve. Mr. Tyler, prominent in the business, civic, social and religious life of Dunn for years, is district manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company. He has served three times as president of the Dunn Chamber and is also a leader in other affairs. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

Eighth Army Retreating Under Assault

South Korean Cabinet
Awaiting Word
To Abandon Seoul

TOKYO, Jan. 2.—(UP)—Crack Chinese troops spearheading a 300,000-man Communist offensive smashed within 15 miles of Seoul today and the South Korean Capital's fall appeared near.

The defending U. S. 8th Army reeled back in retreat up to 11 miles all along the 140-mile front across Korea under furious assault by Chinese and Korean Reds twice their number.

South Korean President Syngman Rhee called his cabinet into special session in Seoul to await word from the U. S. Embassy on final abandonment of the Capital. Civilians streamed south from the city by tens of thousands.

Launched New Year's Eve, the Communist offensive already had carried half-way from the 38th parallel to Seoul, split up and trapped parts of two South Korean divisions and ripped big holes in the 8th Army lines from coast to coast.

An 8th army spokesman said the United Nations forces still were making "limited withdrawals" today and called the general situation "serious, but not critical." He said the 8th army troops withdrew in orderly fashion to stabilize their lines.

EAST END MORE SERIOUS
Front dispatches said developments on the eastern end of the front were "more serious" than above Seoul, where the main enemy effort was concentrated.

The Red forces in the east apparently were trying to turn the 8th army's flank and cut Seoul's main reinforcement and supply lines running from Taegu and Pusan in the southeast.

Up to three enemy divisions—30,000 men—slashed into the United Nations forces south of Yongpo, 73 miles east northeast of Seoul and 25 miles inland from the East Coast. But a security blackout (Continued On Page Four)

Harnett Cuts Road Toll 20 Per Cent

In the face of a State highway toll of nearly 100, Harnett County cut its road fatalities 20 per cent in 1950, Corporal William O'Daniel of the State Highway Patrol reported to The Record this morning.

Only 12 fatalities were recorded on the county's primary and secondary roads during the past 12 months, Corporal O'Daniel said. The 1949 figure was 15 deaths over a year's time.

"We're very proud of the reduction in fatalities this year," Corporal O'Daniel remarked. "The credit is due to the patrolmen and the cooperation which we get from motorists."

"Let's see if we can cut it out all the way in 1951," he added.

The 1950 total was also under the mark for 1948, when 14 traffic deaths were reported, the patrolman said.

SEVEN DIE ON MAIN ROADS
Seven persons died in accidents on main U. S. or N. C. highways, according to Corporal O'Daniel's report. The remaining five were killed in accidents on secondary or rural roads.

Two multiple deaths occurred in accidents on N. C. 210 and U. S. 421. In each case, two persons died in the accidents.

The remaining eight fatalities resulted from accidents in which only one person was killed.

In all, there were 302 accidents in Harnett during the past year. In addition to the 12 fatal wrecks, there were 128 in which personal injury was reported, ranging from slight to serious.

Property damage alone was marked up in the remaining 162 road scrapes.

ALCOHOL WAS CAUSE
Other fatal accidents, each of which was responsible for the death of one person, occurred on:

N. C. 87 near Olivia, U. S. 301 south of Dunn, Jonesboro Road, N. C. 55 between Erwin and Coats, a rural road near Bule's Creek, Brook Road west from Bunlevel, a rural road just off N. C. 210 south of Lillington and Johnsonville Road south from Lillington to N. C. 87.

RUSSIA HAS IT
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 — (UP) — Chairman Gordon Dean of the Atomic Energy Commission said flatly today that "Russia does have the A-bomb."

Two Petitions Are Approved

The Harnett County Board of Commissioners this morning approved two road petitions.

One petition calls for the hard-surfacing of three miles of road in Grove Township, leading three miles from Coats to the intersection of Highway 421 at Hiram Stewart's filling station. The road is used as a school bus and mail route.

The other petition calls for a sand, clay and gravel-surfaced road in Upper Little River. The road leads from Malcolm Dickens' residence to (Continued On Page Four)

FOUR ARRESTS
Dunn police arrested Felton Barefoot, 35, Dunn Rt. 3, Monday on a charge of passing a worthless check.

Three others were arrested, one on a peace warrant and two on capias warrants.

Officers Get 264 Stills During 1950

The year 1950 was a rough one for bootleggers in Harnett County.

Harnett Sheriff W. E. (Bill) Salmon reported to the county board of commissioners today that a total of 264 stills were captured and destroyed in the county during the past year.

In addition, the deputies rounded up 14 still operators.

Thousands of gallons of beer and mash were poured out at the stills. The stills ranged in size from a tiny 50-gallon submersible still to a pair of 1200-gallon outfits.

STURGILL IS CHAMP
Deputy Sheriff B. E. Sturgill of (Continued On Page Four)

Speakership Race Will End Tonight

RALEIGH, Jan. 2.—(UP)—Democrats of the State House of Representatives will clash in caucus at 8 p. m. tonight over nomination of their presiding officer for the 1951 session, but Senators are expected to nominate R. Gray Rankin of Gastonia as president pro tem by a unanimous vote.

Candidates in the liveliest contest for the House speakership in a dozen years are Fred Royster, Henderson, tobaccoist, and Frank Taylor, Goldsboro lawyer.

(Harnett Representative Carson Gregory declined to Record Correspondent Wade Lucas in Raleigh this morning that he will cast his vote for Royster.)

Both already have moved into the Hotel St. Walter and campaigned for support in the fight for the important post. Both also claim they are sure to get the nomination which will be as good as election since the lower chamber has only (Continued On Page Four)

FULL COVERAGE
The North Carolina General Assembly will convene tomorrow, and The Daily Record will give you complete coverage of the entire session.

In addition to the large United Press staff on the scene, The Record will be represented by Wade Lucas as special correspondent, and by Lynn Nisbet, The Record's featured Raleigh columnist and bureau chief.

For complete, up-to-date information on what your lawmakers are doing in the State capital, read The Daily Record.

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Harnett Had Six Murders During 1950

Harnett County's murder rate isn't nearly as high as a lot of people have been led to believe.

Records show that the county's homicide rate is in the lower bracket among counties of the State.

The county got a bad reputation a couple years ago when five horrible homicides—each one seemingly more brutal than the previous one—occurred in only three weeks.

THREE IN FOUR DAYS
And during the past two weeks, Harnett had three murders in four days. That was the last week in December.

But Harnett Coroner Grover Henderson reported this morning that there were only six homicides during the entire year in Harnett. Two of last week's slayings happened in Dunn. Dunn also took credit for two more of the killings.

During the year, Coroner Henderson also was called to investigate four suicides, two of which happened in Dunn, 12 automobile fatalities, an accidental shooting; an electrocution of an electrician; and the death of a person who was killed when he fell out of a chair.

The figures were compiled today by Ed Black, assistant to the coroner.

Coroner Henderson also investigated numerous other deaths in the county in which no violence or foul play was involved. The coroner investigates only when death is violent or when there is some unusual circumstance.

BULLETINS

SEOUL, Korea, Jan. 2.—(UP)—The South Korean cabinet met in three emergency sessions today to decide whether to join the Korean populace in its flight out of Seoul. It was believed a decision on the government's withdrawal from the capital—the second in six months—would be made tonight.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. — (UP) — Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, who died defending freedom in a strange land far away, was buried today with the highest honors a grateful nation can bestow on its soldier dead. The rotund little Texan who led American troops in the hard and bloody battle of Korea before a jeep accident cut short his brilliant career was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery, the shrine of fallen American heroes.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(UP)—The nation's war worries toned down the annual New Year's celebration and the number of dead in traffic accidents was the lowest in years. A nationwide check showed 256 died in highway crashes from six p. m. Friday to midnight this morning.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Jan. 2.—(UP)—The United States drew up proposals today for get-tough action by the United Nations against Red China declaring that the Communist drive on Seoul had all but blown the Arab-Asian cease fire peace plan "out the window."

BONN, Germany, Jan. 2.—(UP)—U. S. High Commissioner John J. McCloy and West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer began the second round of discussion today on German rearmament.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 —(UP)—Douglas MacArthur warmly approved the latest U. S. note to Russia urging an early Japanese peace treaty, it was learned today. The note, handed Soviet UN Delegate Jacob A. Malik in New York last Thursday, stated openly American plans to keep troops in Japan but asked Moscow to join in peace talks in which the Soviet veto would be barred.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(UP)—President Truman today (Continued On Page Four)