

WEATHER

Mostly cloudy and cooler. Showers today. Tonight partly cloudy and colder. Showers in east portion.

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ERWIN WORKERS GO OUT ON STRIKE

Chinese Reported Massing Up To 300,000 Fresh Troops For All-Out Spring Offensive

Signs Indicate Reds Will Try Human Sea Push

TOKYO, April 2—(U)—Red China was reported massing 40 to 45 fresh divisions—more than 300,000 men—today for an all-out spring offensive against United Nations forces crowding up to and cross Korea's 38th Parallel.

More than 2,300 communist vehicles were spotted on the move through North Korea—the heaviest communist traffic of the war. At least 150 of them were destroyed or damaged by Allied air fleet last night and today.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur warned in his daily communique of the ominous increase in enemy traffic. He said the majority of vehicles delivered their reinforcements and supplies to the Chorwon-Kumhwa-Hwachon triangle behind the central front.

MAY HIT CENTER
All signs indicated that the Reds intend to strike at the center of the Allied line in an attempt to break through with "human sea" tactics such as rolled back the 8th Army 60 miles last New Year's Eve.

Allied divisions moved up to the 38th Parallel in strength at will almost all across the 140-mile-wide Korean peninsula.

Only in the central sector did (Continued On Page Six)

Around Capitol Square

By LYNN NISBET
RALEIGH CORRESPONDENT
BUDGET—The appropriations committee substitute bill hit the House hopper Thursday, but created little commotion for the reason it had been pretty fully discussed and discounted in advance. The subcommittee made its report to the full committee Tuesday afternoon in secret session, and the full joint committee spent two days talking about it. Although the sessions were "executive," outsiders experienced no difficulty in finding out what was said and who said it. Unlike comparable bills in previous sessions of the dollars and cents items in the current measure are of less interest than some extraneous legislative provisions. It is true that school teachers, departmental and institutional employees and State agencies are disappointed at failure to receive as much money as they feel they should have. There will be a token contest on some items, but the big fight will be over provisions in the bill changing traditional policy in administration of State government, and, as many people believe, in violation of the constitution.

DISTINCTION—The controversial changes would substitute (Continued On Page Six)

Pilot Walks Away From Crashed Jet

RALEIGH, April 2—(U)—Second Lt. Coy Austin, 24, of Mineral Wells, Tex., brought his F-86 Sabre jet fighter plane to a powerless belly landing here at 120 miles per hour yesterday, skidded 4,500 feet along a runway and walked away from the flaming wreck unhurt.

Austin was piloting one of four Sabre jets from Langley Field, Va., to Maxwell Field, Ala., when an explosion rocked his plane. He was at 35,000 feet about 20 miles north of Raleigh.

"I cut the engine and then stepped it again, but I felt another explosion and had to bring (Continued On Page Six)

Harnett Board Hears Road Petitions And Other Matters Today

The Harnett County Board of Commissioners this morning approved two road petitions, granted a State request that two sections of road be added to the State network, and disposed of a number of other matters.

Road petitions approved called for hardsurfacing of a road leading south of A. L. Sewell's home to the intersection of the highway running west from Olivia, and for 7 mile in Barbecue Township, running by Morris Chapel Church in Lee County.

The board renewed a fire and lightning insurance policy for \$12,333.00 on the county courthouse.

Vice Chairman C. G. Fields, who presided, read a request from District Highway Commissioner George Coble asking that two sections of Harnett roads be added to the State network.

The first road runs from the intersection of U. S. 15A and NC 210 (Continued On Page Six)

Land Sought For Cemetery

Dunn's city council, at its meeting tonight, will make a decision on the purchase of additional land for Dunn's Greenwood Cemetery.

Practically all lots in the cemetery have been sold and local citizens will soon have to begin looking elsewhere unless some additional land is annexed.

City Manager Tommy Hobbs said this morning that work on a map of the cemetery area will be completed in time for presentation at the council meeting.

The town is considering the purchase of land owned by L. Busbee Pope, who has already sold some land to the town for the purpose.

Approximately two and a half or three acres is involved in the proposal, Mr. Hobbs said.

\$8,000 PER ACRE
Under an agreement reached several months ago, Mr. Pope would receive 25 per cent of the sale price of each cemetery lot, ranging from (Continued On Page Two)

Balancing Of Spending And Income Asked

WASHINGTON, April 2—(U)—The Senate-House economic committee recommended today that Congress spend no more money on defense than it is willing to raise in higher taxes.

The committee endorsed President Truman's proposal to pay for defense preparation as the bills came due—and then went much further.

"It feels," the committee said in an official report, "that the defense garment should be cut to the revenue cloth. Measuring with care the things that must be done, (Continued On Page 7)

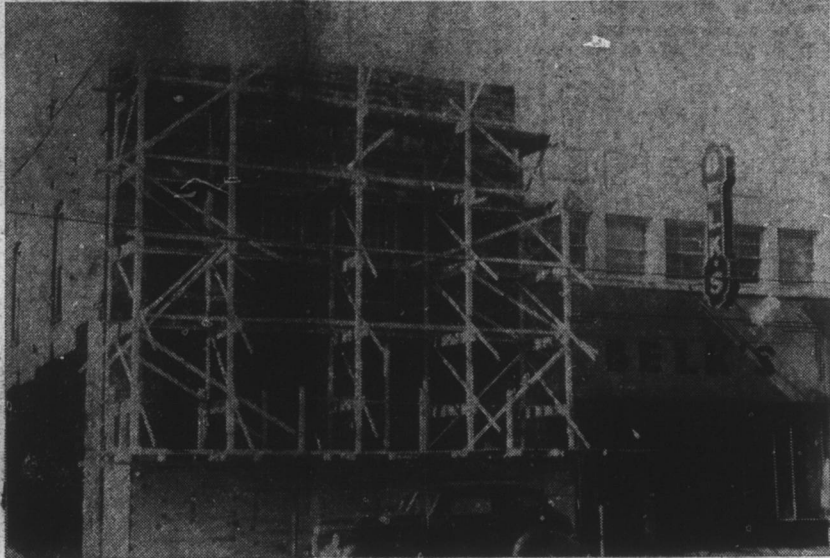
Action Taken On Budget, Revenue

RALEIGH, April 2—(U)—North Carolina's half-billion dollar budget bill comes up for final action in the State House of Representatives this afternoon while the Senate takes its first look at the House-approved revenue bill tonight.

Appropriations leaders who have beaten down earlier efforts to increase State spending expect the fight to continue today.

However, political observers see little possibility that the proponents of additional appropriations will succeed.

A hot three-hour battle during the second reading of the bill last Friday killed off efforts to add (Continued On Page 7)



OLD LANDMARK TO DISAPPEAR—Workmen have begun the task of remodeling and renovating the old Hatcher-Skinner Store on Broad Street, a landmark here since 1912, to turn it into a modern shoe store for Belk's Department Store. The building adjoins the present Belk building and will greatly increase the size of Belk's. Manager Marvin Raynor expressed hope today that the new shoe store will be ready to open in about seven or eight weeks. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

Benson To Elect Mayor, Council

Benson citizens will go to the polls Tuesday to elect a mayor and four councilmen to serve the progressive Johnston County town during the next two years.

There has not been too much activity in the campaign and a normal vote is expected, veteran political observers predicted today.

Mayor J. L. Johnson, who was elected two years ago in a heated contest that brought out a large vote, is being opposed by a former mayor, J. Ed Johnson, a Benson merchant. Mr. Johnson served the town for mayor for six two-year terms previously.

FIVE SEEK POSITIONS
There are five candidates for the four positions on the city council.

They are: Commissioners C. M. Blackman, Garland McLamb, Emory L. Miller and Ralph F. Whittington, and Ernest Moore, who is seeking to unseat one of the incumbents.

Town Constable David Wood is unopposed in his bid for re-election.

The polls will be located in the Benson Fire Department adjoining the Town Hall and will be open Tuesday from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. A. T. Tart is the registrar and F. V. Watson and Howard Denning are the election judges.

School Posts Filled Today

The Harnett County Board of Commissioners, in session this morning, filled vacancies on the ten district school boards by reappointment of present members, in most cases.

Those appointed or reappointed to the various local boards were:

Anderson Creek, E. L. Hill, Troy Darden and Edward Bruce. Mr. Byrd succeeds Roy Butts, who resigned.

Angler, Thomas M. Ward. A. C. Barefoot had been renominated, but will take a seat on the county board. This vacancy was left open. (Continued On Page Two)

Postal Receipts For Quarter Near \$15,200

Receipts at the Dunn post office for the quarter ending March 31 totaled \$15,198.03. Postmaster Ralph Wade announced today. The receipts for the same quarter in 1950 amounted to \$13,834.48, making a gain of \$1,363.55. Percentage-wise, this represents a gain of approximately 12 per cent.

The Post Office has withdrawn the sale of Postal Notes effective March 31. These notes have been on sale for past few years and were intended for the transmission of small amounts of \$10 or less. However the Department will place in operation on July 1 an entirely new money order form which will take the place of the money order form now in use and the Postal Note which has been discontinued.

TO CUT OFF WATER
Dunn's water supply will be cut off Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock for repair of a hydrant at the corner of McKay and Broad. Officials hope that it will not be necessary to keep the water off more than two hours.

Belk's Planning Complete, Modern Shoe Store In Dunn

Water Measure Is Set For Passage

RALEIGH, April 2—The bill authorizing the Town of Dunn to purchase, lease or otherwise acquire the water distribution and sewerage systems in the Town of Erwin was on the House's local calendar for final passage this afternoon.

The measure, which was offered by Harpeth Senator J. Robert Young several weeks ago and which had passed the Senate, was recalled from the enrolling office by Harpeth Representative Carson Gregory after it had passed the House on the ground that several Erwin citizens were dissatisfied with provisions of the bill.

Gregory, however, announced late last week that he had been assured by James Glover of Erwin "that everybody is now satisfied with the bill" and the Harpeth (Continued On Page Six)

MR. ROSENFELD DIES
I. Rosenfeld, 60, of Fayetteville, owner of Rosenfeld's in Dunn and other clothing stores, died yesterday in Highsmith Hospital at Fayetteville. The prominent merchant had been ill for some time.

BULLETINS

WASHINGTON, April 2—(U)—A member of the House Armed Services Committee said today that draft director Lewis B. Hershey broke his word by not extending the new draft deferment test to high school graduates not yet in college.

PARIS, April 2—(U)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower today appointed a French admiral, Vice Adm. Andre Georges Lemonnier, as his top naval assistant on all naval problems concerning the defense of Europe.

13 CENTS PER HOUR INCREASE IS ASKED AS UNION CALLS 43,000 OFF JOBS IN 6 SOUTHERN STATES

By Wade Lucas

More than 2,000 employees of Erwin Mills, Nos. 2 and 5, were on strike today, although skeleton staffs operated portions of the machinery in both plants.

The local workers joined last night in the strike that has affected cotton and rayon mills in six Southern States and thrown an estimated 43,000 employees out of work for the time being. Efforts of Federal mediators to settle the long-standing wage dispute between mill management and workers in Washington, Durham, Greensboro, and other points collapsed Saturday.

Wilkins Won't Oppose Hanna

Mayor Protem Joe A. Wilkins announced this morning that he definitely will not be a candidate for mayor, but indicated that he will run for re-election as Commissioner in Ward III.

Mayor Ralph E. Hanna, who had originally planned to file this morning, said he would probably do so either tomorrow or Wednesday.

"I'm not going to run against Ralph," said Mayor Protem Wilkins. "I think it would be best not to."

A movement to draft Mayor Earl McD. Westbrook was reported during the week-end, but Mr. Westbrook said this morning that he definitely is not interested in running for Mayor and will not become a candidate. He served several terms on the board and for two terms as mayor.

Three Caught Running Still

Three Harnett County men are scheduled to be given a hearing in Dunn before Mrs. Mallie A. Jackson, local United States Commissioner, on charges of violating Federal whiskey laws.

The three men are: John Arrie Norris of Dunn, Route 2, George Lloyd Johnson of Dunn, Route 2 and Oliver E. Douglas, Negro, of Lillington, Route 3.

They were arrested during a raid conducted by Cumberland County ABC officers and Federal ATU agents in a raid conducted in Upper Little River Township.

The agents confiscated 2,500 gallons of mash and nine gallons of non-tax paid whiskey in the raid. Still destroyed by the agents included two 750-gallon stills and four 350-gallon stills, all located close together in a wooded area.

Judge Godwin Has Birthday On The Bench

Superior Court Judge Howard Godwin opened a civil session of Harnett court this morning and in doing so marked his first anniversary on the bench. It was at the April term a year ago in Harnett that Judge (Continued On Page Two)

Officials of the Textile Workers Union of America (CIO) led by Thomas West, business agent of the local union, began posting pickets shortly after 9 o'clock last night.

100 AT WORK

Mill officials estimated "at least 100 workers" entered the two mills last night to work the third shift, which normally ends at 8:30 a.m.

Most of the citizens of the town were awakened before 8 o'clock this morning by blasts from a loud-speaker in the hands of West and in a car driven by Wilson Lucas of Dunn as they drove up and down many of the streets exhorting the workers "to join the picket line and cooperate with us for your rights."

There were relatively few pickets at the 10 entrance gates to the two mills. Several workers entered unmolested. Pickets asked several not to enter the mills, but those who desired to work were allowed to enter.

There was no apparent disturbance at any of the gates as the Erwin workers entered into what may be their first full-fledged strike since 1944 and 1945. Police Chief Claude Avery, the town's only paid officer, reported no disturbance, saying he had to fail only on person for alleged drunkenness. (Continued On Page 7)

Local Resident Taken By Death

Mrs. Florence E. Troville, 82, died at 8 p.m. Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. June Guy of Dunn after a prolonged illness.

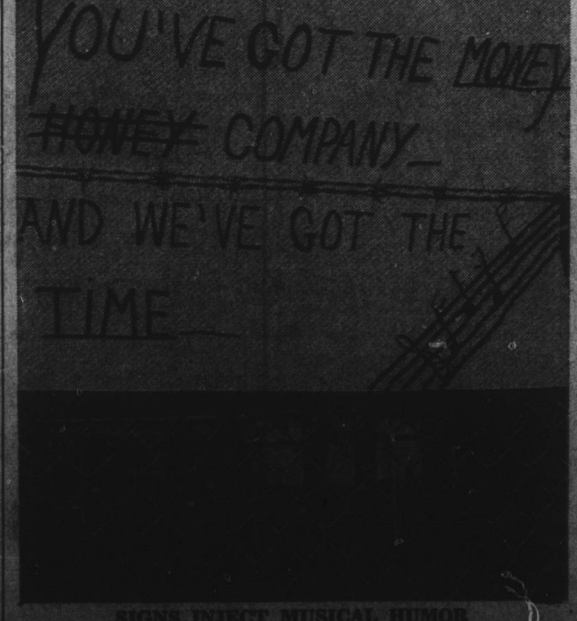
Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday at 3 o'clock from the Hatcher-Skinner Funeral Home. The body will remain at the funeral home until the services.

She is survived by one brother, W. Rowland Early of Paulsboro, N. J.; one sister, Mrs. Guy of Dunn and by several nieces and nephews.

A native of Bertie County, she had spent most of her life in Norfolk, Va. In 1943 she came to Dunn to make her home with her sister. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Dunn.

State News Briefs

CHARLOTTE, April 2—(U)—A reluctant thief robbed cab driver W. C. Haefner of \$3 last night, but promised to return the money today. "I hate to do this to you," Haefner quoted the bandit as saying. "I'll send it back to you tomorrow." He even took down (Continued On Page Five)



SIGNS INJECT MUSICAL HUMOR

STRIKERS GATHER AROUND GATES AT ERWIN