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# REDS DISAPPEAR FROM NORTH KOREAN FRONT

## Board Of Health Men Say Dunn's Water Plant Needs Major Repairs Immediately

## New Vehicle Law Passed By Council

Streets and avenues other than regular highways and through routes are now off limits to huge transport trucks, following action taken by the city council last night.

The council members took a worried glance at pavements being pounded by heavy trucks detouring around N. Ellis Ave., now under construction, and passed a redistricting ordinance.

The law makes it illegal for motor vehicles weighing more than 19,000 pounds to be operated on streets other than those maintained by the State Highway and Public Works Commission. Some exceptions, such as Wilson and Edgerton avenues, were made.

A fine of \$50 or a 30-day jail term were set as punishment for violation. Chief trouble spots now are N. Orange Ave. and N. McKay Ave.

### SEEK SANITATION IMPROVEMENTS

The council also moved to get homes not connected with present sewer mains connected to the lines as soon as possible. Mann Norris, Jr., city building inspector, pro-

Like the Ancient Mariner, Dunn may soon find itself surrounded by water but without a drop to drink.

That gloomy picture was painted for the city council Monday night by two dignitaries from the State Board of Health.

W. S. McKimmon, senior engineer for the State Board, and E. C. Hubbard, principal State sanitary engineer, told the council that Dunn's ancient, wheezing water system is in urgent need of immediate repairs.

McKimmon said that the present plant facilities, supposedly capable of pumping 2,000,000 gallons of treated water every 24 hours, must be expanded to a 3,000,000-gallon capacity.

He said flatly that major repairs—and costly ones—will be needed in order to achieve that goal.

Both McKimmon and Hubbard pointed out that the present water facilities are being operated with the utmost efficiency by Eddice R. King, superintendent of filtration, and his crew. Aged and faulty equipment, however, is keeping the maximum rate of production down to about 1,700,000 gallons per day, they added.

McKimmon outlined for the

## Maneuver Won't Interfere With Tobacco Market

A. B. (Buck) Currin, prominent Dunn tobacco warehouseman, said today that the use of one of his tobacco warehouses as an Army maneuver depot late this summer will in no way interfere with the operation of the Dunn Tobacco Market.

Currin, who operates three large warehouses here, has given the Army permission to use the old Big-4 Warehouse as a supply depot for the big maneuvers. The first contingent of soldiers is slated to arrive in Dunn on June 2 to begin receiving supplies.

In addition to Currin's warehouse, a field depot will be set up behind the warehouse and other storage

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## Pair Who Broke Out Of Central Prison Sought

RALEIGH, April 17.—Police and prison officers spread a search today for two Central Prison hospital patients who knocked a hole through the prison's aging walls with a sash weight yesterday and lowered themselves to freedom down an electric extension cord.

Warden Joe Crawford identified the men as B. Earl Jackson, 63, Sanford barber, and Cecil King, 40, former High Point restaurant operator. The two were patients in the tubercular ward, he said, and both were long termers with records as escape artists.

Jackson and King used their window sash weight to bore a two-foot hole through the age-weakened 31 inches of brick and mortar hospital wall which forms part of the outer wall of the prison.

SLIDE DOWN CORD  
Leaving dummies in their beds, they emerged from their second floor room about 30 feet above the ground and slipped down on a heavy electric cord used for the hospital's x-ray machine. The escape was not discovered until noon yesterday.

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## Around Capitol Square

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RESUME — Post mortem discussion of the 1951 general assembly will be indulged in by newspaper writers and political analysts for a long time. Each examination will disclose something new, either by way of discovering that bills though enacted into law failed to get through all the steps, or that measures designed to serve one purpose actually do something entirely different. There will be commendation for progress and criticism for penurious treatment of worthy causes. Some of the analyses will go into minute detail as to personalities and specific purposes. All of that must wait for awhile. At this time, concurrently with sine die adjournment of the legislature, only a very general appraisal can be made.

'STABILITY' — Stability was one of the most obvious traits of the late assembly. It convened early in January with stated purpose to hold the economic line in North Carolina. In face of recommendations proposed by Governor Scott and the advisory budget commission that school appropriations be reduced below last year's level, and that the state move backward a few steps with respect to salary increments and retirement security for state employees, the general assembly seemed determined not to drop below last year. That purpose was steadfastly maintained and finally written into the statutes. The legislature was equally set against new taxes or basic revision in the tax structure which had proved adequate through depth of the depression and height of war time prosperity. That course also was maintained and the general assembly leaves Raleigh with consciousness that it has not done a perfect job, but that stability of state government, safety of state institutions, and reasonable func-

## Fishing Rodeo To Be Held Here

Dunn's younger set will get a chance to compare fish story yarns with their elders this summer.

Better Fishing, Inc., a non-profit national organization, will sponsor the Boy and Girl National Better Fishing Rodeo Day here Aug. 25. Prizes will be awarded to the boy and girl who land the heaviest game fish on that day.

Last night the city council appointed Adolphus "Polkydot" Williams and John W. Furdie, Jr., co-chairmen of the contest.



HARNETT EDUCOS ENTERTAIN WIVES—Last night was Ladies' Night at the meeting of the Harnett Educo Club, held in the Angier cafeteria. Some of the principals at the event are shown here with the speaker. Seated are, left to right, County Superintendent C. Reid Ross, Clifton Beckwith, the speaker, and Mrs. Torrey Johnson; standing, Chairman Sidney G. Thomas of the county board of education; Principal G. F. Carr of Angier and Retiring President Torrey Johnson.

## Johnson Will Head Harnett Educo Club

A. B. Johnson, principal of the Dunn district schools, was elected president of the Harnett County Educo Club at the annual Ladies' Night banquet and organizational meeting held last night in the Angier school cafeteria.

The Dunn school head was elected unanimously to succeed Retiring President Torrey Johnson, principal of the Bule's Creek school. Johnnie Pecora, teacher and coach at Erwin High School, was elected vice president of the organization of male school teachers, and C. H. Hood of Lillington, superintendent of the county garage, was renamed secretary-treasurer.

Practically all members of the Educo Club, County Superintendent and Mrs. C. Reid Ross, Chairman Sidney G. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas of the Harnett Board of Education and a number of other guests were present for the meeting.

BECKWITH SPEAKS

The speaker of the evening was Clifton Beckwith of Raleigh, assistant attorney general, widely known orator and a familiar character in Dunn.

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## Rumored Ouster Of Hobbs Ends In 'Love Feast'

Reports that City Manager R. Thomas Hobbs would be ousted at last night's session of the city council "blew up" and instead the council meeting ended in a "love feast" with the city council members pledging their wholehearted support and cooperation to the city manager for the rest of the board's term.

City Commissioner Earl G. Vann, who is also a candidate for mayor, made the motion for adoption of the resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner L. L. Coats of Ward No. 1.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—(AP)—Defense Department officials said today that R. Thomas Hobbs, Dunn, N. C., city manager, was granted a deferment from active service in the Naval Reserve until June 14 to break in a replacement for his job.

Hobbs was to be recalled to active duty March 26, spokesmen said. They did not indicate whether he would receive another deferment when this one runs out.

"I think it would be fitting," Vann told the board, "for us to give our city manager our wholehearted support and cooperation for the balance of our term."

Coats then seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Mayor Ralph E. Hanna, who has openly and continuously expressed his opposition to Hobbs, did not vote. The mayor votes only in the case of a tie.

City Manager Hobbs then expressed his appreciation to the board, saying, "I appreciate very much the support and cooperation of the board."

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LAYTON WITHDRAWS  
Joel G. Layton, prominent Lillington business, civic and religious leader, announced this morning that he was withdrawing as a candidate for Lillington's city council. Layton, who has served for several terms on the council, was renominated but said this morning he would be unable to serve if re-elected and was withdrawing. Layton owns and operates large business interests which are requiring more and more of his time.

## Three Scout Troops To Participate In Paper Drive Sunday

Three Boy Scout troops will take part in the scrap paper drive which will open here Sunday, according to A. B. Johnson.

The three are the Methodist, Presbyterian and Rotary troops. Scouts from these troops will make collections Sunday, possibly with the aid of a truck on loan from the city.

"If this paper drive is successful," Johnson said, "we contemplate having one periodically, or about every two months thereafter."

Johnson said that paper to be donated to the drive should be placed between the sidewalk and the street. Scouts will then pick it up while making the collection rounds.

## Ruffin Assails Union Leaders

WINSTON-SALEM, April 17.—(AP)—William H. Ruffin, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, charged today that "labor leaders appear more interested in scuttling the Taft-Hartley Act than in getting this country re-armed and back on a sound economic footing."

Ruffin, president of Erwin Mills, Inc., of Durham, spoke at a luncheon meeting of Winston-Salem civic clubs.

"The American people," he said, "are sick of the growing dictatorial power of these same labor leaders."

"Failing miserably in their appeals to the people for repeal of the law which broke their stranglehold on the economy, the labor leader devised a new stratagem to achieve by subterfuge what they could not achieve openly and legally."

"A Wage Stabilization Board with almost limitless authority would be the vehicle by which they would regain the power stripped from them by the American people."

Ruffin said management representatives on the president's Mobilization Advisory Committee would fight labor demands for a wage stabilization board empowered to deal with the whole range of employer-employee relationships.

"Management believes that creation of a board with the sweeping powers demanded by the labor leaders would block any effective

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## MacArthur Returns To Homeland Today To Defend Conduct

HONOLULU, Hawaii, April 17.—(AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur returns today to the homeland he has not seen for 14 years to defend his conduct as Far Eastern commander.

## Park Says 'Anti- Scott' Feeling Killed Road Laws

RALEIGH, April 17.—(AP)—John A. Parks, chairman of the governor's advisory Committee on Highway Safety, said yesterday that anti-Scott feeling in the 1951 General Assembly killed measures aimed at highway safety.

Park, who as editor of the Raleigh Times has frequently criticized Gov. Kerr Scott, said it appeared that the legislators ignored recommendations of his committee because they considered highway measures to be "pet legislation" of the governor.

Park's committee was appointed by Scott to recommend ways of cutting the State's highway death toll.

He said the only committee recommendation followed by the assembly was addition of 105 men to the State Highway Patrol. Recommendations for a mechanical inspection program and stiffer penalties for traffic violations were killed.

Col. James R. Smith, Highway Patrol commander, said today the new patrolmen would be trained at patrol training school in Chapel Hill May 7 through June 16. He said applications for the school should be placed immediately.

The 105 new patrolmen will raise patrol strength to 528 men.

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## Two Women Badly Hurt In Accident

Two women were badly injured in an accident which happened around 11:30 this morning at the intersection of N. King Ave. and W. Harnett St., Dunn police reported.

Mrs. Anna Laurel Godwin of Dunn was admitted to Dunn Hos-

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## Deadline Set For Entries In Annual Fat Stock Show

Entries in Dunn's Fourth Annual four-county Fat Stock Show and Sale, to be staged April 23 and 24, must be mailed in to the Dunn Chamber of Commerce by Saturday, according to an announcement made today by the show committee.

In order to be eligible to compete for premiums, all animals must be in place not later than 4 p.m. the following Monday, when judging begins.

Two classes will be judged. The first is open to farmers, 4-H club members and Future Farmers of America. Swine are included in this class and must number three or more to a pen.

First prize is \$10, second is \$8 and third is \$6. A prize of \$4 will be awarded to fourth place and \$2 to fifth.

In the second class, individual animals, the same stock growers will be eligible. First, second and third prizes of \$10, \$7.50 and \$5 respectively will be awarded.

TROPHY TO WINNER  
The Dunn Hog Market, scene of the trials, will award a trophy to the owner of the grand champion hog.

Registered service breeders will compete only for ribbons in adult class for swine.

Following is a list of the committee (Continued on Page Two)

The ousted U. S. and United Nations commander, his wife and 13-year-old son were scheduled to take off from Honolulu International Airport at 9:30 A.M. (2:30 P.M. EST) for San Francisco.

Their big four-engine Constellation Bataan is expected to land in California eight to nine hours later—between 7:30 and 8:30 P. M. San Francisco Time (10:30 and 11:30 P. M. EST).

MacArthur worked late into the night in the presidential guest house at Pearl Harbor last night on the speech he will deliver at a joint meeting of Congress in Washington Thursday.

WORKS ON SPEECH

He began work on the speech yesterday before his triumphant 20-mile tour of Honolulu through cheering crowds estimated at 180,000 to 200,000 persons—more than turned out to welcome the late President Roosevelt when he met MacArthur and Admiral Chester W. Nimitz here in 1944.

The only clue to the nature of the speech was MacArthur's own disclosure that it would be in "general" terms. This indicated he would wait until later to being defense of the Far Eastern policies that led to his removal by President Truman.

He has kept a tight-lipped silence on his dispute with the Truman administration ever since his dismissal last week. Newsmen were forbidden to approach him on his arrival with his family aboard the Bataan from Tokyo early yesterday.

Refreshed by a sleep and a leisurely morning, the MacArthurs began their 20-mile tour of Honolulu yesterday from the guest house alongside the hilltop residence of Pacific Fleet Commander Arthur W. Radford overlooking Pearl Harbor.

The 17-car motorcade with motorcycle police escort moved at 30 miles an hour along the six-lane highway leading from "Admiral's Row" to Honolulu.

Sun-baked laborers, colorfully dressed cannery workers and bare-chested children cheered and waved at the five-star general in his first public welcome to American soil.

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## UN Troops Lose Contact Along 150-Mile Line

TOKYO, April 17.—(AP)—Red resistance melted mysteriously across the entire 150-mile Korean front today for the first time since Allied troops surged across the 38th Parallel last month.

From every sector came monotonously repeated reports: "No contact with enemy." But Allied forces were not teased into launching any headlong drive north.

United Nations troops inched forward slowly but relentlessly, consolidating each new position against the possibility of lightning Red counter-attacks.

It appeared, however, that the communists had no immediate intentions of accepting the challenge of the new 8th Army commander, Lt. Gen. James A. Vann Fleet, to start their long-heralded spring offensive.

NO RESISTANCE AT DAWN

Vann Fleet said in Korea yesterday he would welcome a Red offensive as "our best opportunity to kill a maximum number of them."

Even the withering enemy fire at the approaches of the huge Hwachon reservoir dam in central Korea disappeared.

Heavily-censored front dispatches indicated the communists may have abandoned the mammoth concrete dam at the western end of the 14-mile long artificial lake. If so, it would mean the end of the long and bitter enemy defense of the reservoir line—and the danger of flooding out UN troops below it.

The dam had proved a major headache for weeks to Allied strategists. In one briefing last month, it now can be disclosed, one front-line general suggested the Allies themselves blow up the dam by aerial bombing rather than the risk of being inundated during the march into North Korea.

The general withdrew his suggestion after civilian affairs authorities said that it would have devastating

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## State News Briefs

BURLINGTON, April 17.—(AP)—Three Burlington residents and a High Point man were held here today on charges of narcotics possession.

Police Chief D. D. Matthews said he and other officers arrested James Kirkpatrick at his home here Sunday night and at the same time picked up William C. Brown, Kenneth Todd and Mrs. Goldie Todd at a hotel here.

Matthews said all had narcotics in their possession and "had been taking narcotics for years."

HENDERSONVILLE, April 17.—(AP)—Rep. Monroe Redden says he believes Gen. Douglas MacArthur was removed from his command "in the national interest."

In a statement issued at his home here over the weekend, Redden said MacArthur "is one of our greatest generals and is entitled to the welcome on returning. But I have never heard anyone say he is a policy maker. The contrary seems to be generally believed."

Redden added that "when all the facts are known, opinion is that the American people will reach the conclusion that it was in the national interest that General MacArthur be removed from his command."

ASHESVILLE, April 17.—(AP)—The body of a 16-year-old boy who jumped to his death from the new Smokey Mountains Park Bridge here April 2, was found in the French Broad River yesterday.

The victim was identified as William Winston Watkins, son of

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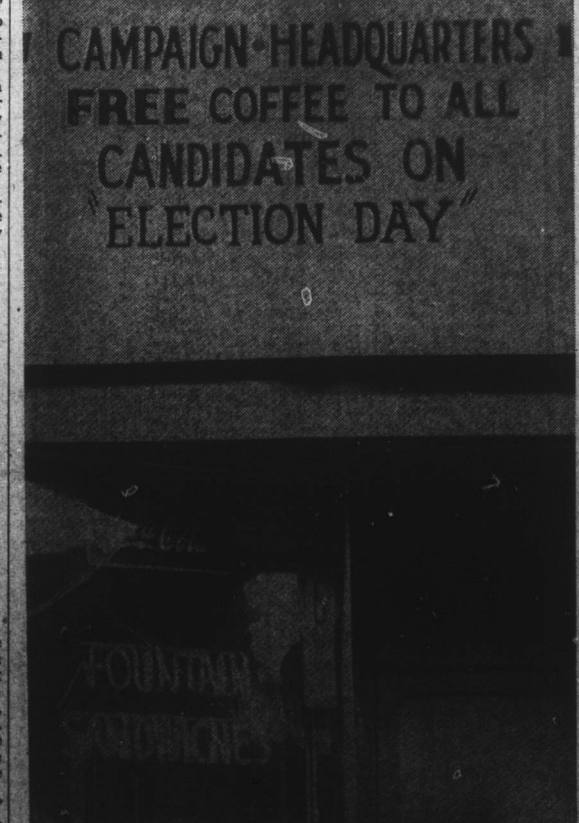
## British Submarine Believed Sunk

PORTSMOUTH, England, April 17.—(AP)—The 1,620-ton British submarine Affray failed to rise after a dive off the Isle of Wight today and Naval authorities said it might have sunk.

The Affray normally carried 50 officers and men.

Planes, helicopters and warships sped to the area after the submarine failed to surface on schedule at 8:30 a.m. (2:30 EST).

The 278-foot Affray was completed May 1, 1946 and was equipped with snorkel breathing apparatus, which enabled it to travel submerged indefinitely just below the surface. The apparatus would be used, however, if the vessel came to the surface.



THAT'S A PLATFORM any candidate would gladly back. Jack Hemingway, whose Soda Shop across the street from the Municipal Building has become unofficial headquarters for Dunn's politicians, decided to do something for the boys. So, come April 30, nervous and thirsty office-seekers may calm their thirst with one on the house while waiting for the results to come in. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart)