

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and cooler today and tonight with scattered showers in south today.

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COMMUNISTS ROLL BACK ALLIES ABOVE SEOUL

Explosions Rock Erwin Friday As Violence Flares In Strike

Charges Fired Off At Homes Of 3 Workers

Smouldering violence broke out at Erwin early this morning as the Southwide strike of more than 40,000 textile workers moved toward the end of its fourth week.

Explosive charges were set off before the homes of three non-striking Erwin Mills workers during the early hours this morning.

Pete Gaster, 16, son of mill-worker James Gaster, said today that a "homemade bomb" exploded in the yard of the Gaster home at 102 East "J" St. around 3 o'clock this morning.

The explosion caused no damage, young Gaster added, but left "a big hole" in the front yard.

"It was just something to scare us," the youth said. Although the house was jarred, none of its occupants was injured. Living there are Gaster, his wife and son Pete.

Similar explosions during the night were reported at the homes of Dick Royals and Herman West, of 404 West "E" St., non-striking employees of Erwin Mills, Inc. The nature of the explosives was not known.

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Heavy Vote Is Expected Here

Dunn citizens will go to the polls Monday to elect a mayor and four councilmen to run the town during the next two years, and most political observers are predicting a heavy turnout of voters. Voting will take place from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m. at the fire station.

Citizens must choose among three candidates for mayor, three candidates in Ward No. II and Ward No. IV and between two candidates in Ward No. I and Ward No. III.

All three of the candidates for mayor, as well as the candidates for commissioner, today expressed confidence of victory.

Mayor Ralph E. Hanna, who defeated two other candidates two years ago for an easy victory, this morning predicted that about 1500 votes will be cast.

Herman Neighbors, one of his opponents, predicted that the vote would not be over 1200 or 1300.

The third candidate, Earl G. Vann, predicted that practically all of the 2,860 citizens who book their names in the book during the new

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Nancy O. Contest Is Won By Jean Wilson

Pretty Jean Wilson, 21-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Wilson of 406 E. Cumberland St., Dunn, is the winner of the local Nancy O. contest, and she and the four other winners will now compete in the nation-wide contest being conducted by Al Capp, creator of Lil' Abner, to find "the sweetest girl in the world."

Of all the entries submitted in the local contest sponsored by Quinn's of Dunn, Incorporated, the judges thought Miss Wilson was the sweetest.

As her reward, Grover O. Henderson, owner of the progressive local furniture concern, will present her a beautiful Lane Cedar Chest. The presentation will be made Saturday afternoon.

OTHER WINNERS WERE: Kay Cooke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cooke.

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British Ammo Ship Explodes At Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR, April 27—(UP)—The 1,000-ton British ammunition ship Bedenham blew up while unloading in Gibraltar harbor today, spreading death and destruction through the British fortress town.

Unofficial reports said it was feared 12 of the 25 crew members of the Bedenham were killed. Virtually every window in Gibraltar was shattered and some walls collapsed with casualties. All available doctors, nurses and volunteer workers were called in.

The blast shattered windows 20 miles away and hit heavily at the Spanish town of La Linea, on the mainland four miles away.

Chunks of the vessel were flung into the air. A section of the mast crashed down into a sand-spit more than a half mile away. Other pieces of the ship were scattered all around Gibraltar.

Several hours after the blast only traces of the Bedenham could be seen at the vessel's anchorage in Gibraltar harbor where she had been discharging ammunition.

The explosion occurred at 10 a. m. (5 a. m. EST). Witnesses said it was accompanied by an

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State News Briefs

WILMINGTON, April 27—(UP)—FBI Agent Charles W. Brown of Charlotte reported today that two Camp Lejeune Marines and a civilian have been charged with larceny of federal property in the theft of a landing craft engine from Camp Lejeune.

Brown identified the Marines as Douglas Ensor, 27, Knoxville, Tenn., and James Walter Currie, 23, of Rockingham. The civilian is Louis Edward Morton, 23 of Hubert, Brown said.

RALEIGH, April 27—(UP)—Louis V. Sutton, president of Edison Electric Institute and the Carolina Power and Light Co., dedicated a new \$1,300,000 engineering laboratory building at North Carolina State College today.

The Riddick Engineering Laboratories building was named in honor of the late Dr. Wallace Carl Riddick, fourth president of the college.

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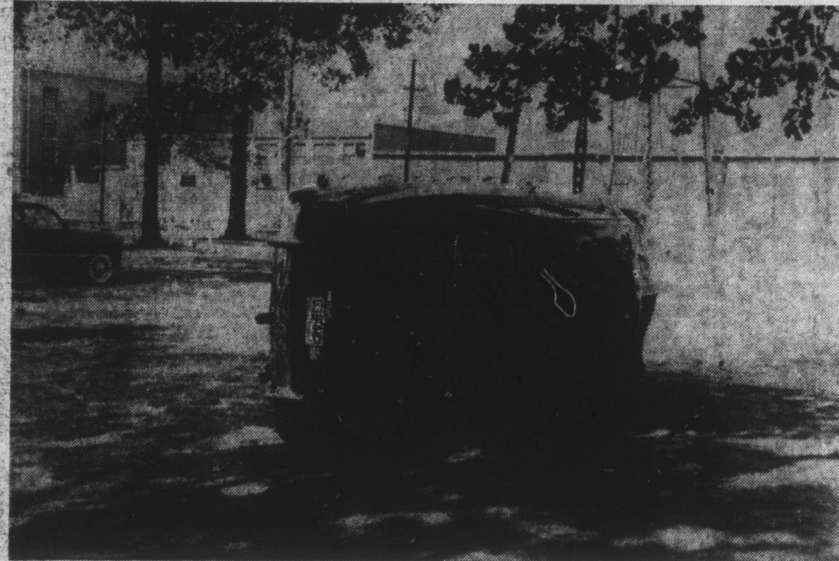
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TAKING IT EASY—The car shown above was turned on its side early Friday morning at a mill parking lot in Erwin. No witnesses to the act were found. The machine is believed to be the property of a strike-breaking worker. A small sign attached to the rear license plate admonished: "Let's Take It Easy." (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart)

MacArthur Returns To Hometown Today

CHICAGO, April 27—Gen. Douglas MacArthur began a 90-mile automobile ride today to Milwaukee, his ancestral hometown where he retained legal residence during an absence of 39 years.

He rode in triumph from the moment he stepped into his car outside the Stevens Hotel here. Almost 2,000,000 persons were expected to see him during the day.

Crowds lined up to greet him along almost the entire route, which followed historic Sheridan Road through a score of Illinois and Wisconsin towns.

The day offered perfect "MacArthur weather"—the same clear skies and mild weather that prevailed during his receptions in San Francisco, Washington and New York.

The conqueror of Japan rode in the same tomato-colored Cadillac he used in yesterday's big parade and reception here.

Fifty motorcycle policemen escorted him and scores more were ready to join the column along the route to the Wisconsin border.

At least 7,000,000 persons were to greet him in the Wisconsin city whose normal population of 632,000 was swelled by visitors from the surrounding territory.

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Four Whiskey Stills Taken

Authorities reported today the capture and destruction of four whiskey stills in Harnett during the past few days.

Federal ATU agents and Cumberland County ABC officers destroyed two stills in Anderson Creek. They got one 200-gallon still and one 175-gallon still.

During the raid, 800 gallons of mash and 66 gallons of non-tax paid whiskey were confiscated. An arrest is pending in this raid.

Deputy Sheriff O. R. Pearce and Deputy B. E. Sturgill destroyed two stills, each of about 200-gallon capacity, just north of the old fairgrounds in Dunn. None of the stills were in operation at the time.

Sampson Negro Is Executed

RALEIGH, April 27—(UP)—John Henry Rogers entered the tiny Central Prison gas chamber today and died in 11 minutes for the rape-murder of a white woman.

The small, 26-year-old Sampson County Negro entered the chamber calmly and watched as guards strapped his arms and ankles to the chair. Before the leather mask was slipped over his face, he told Chaplain William H. R. Jackson and two other men in the room that he had made "only one mistake" and was sorry for it.

"I want everyone to do right," he said.

Jackson said Rogers told him that walking the last few steps from Death Row to the execution chamber "wasn't as bad as I thought it would be." Prison officers said his final statement was the longest ever made in the glass-walled death cell here.

As the chaplain and guards left the chamber two of them shook the condemned man's hand. Rogers left his hand extended waiting for the third and last handshake—but the last man in the room

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Dynamite Fuses, Caps Found In Home Of Union Official

DANVILLE, Va., April 27—(UP)—Police found dynamite caps and fuses in the home of a Textile Workers Union official today and arrested the man in connection with a wave of dynamiting in strike torn Danville.

Acting on tips after the latest blast damaged the home of a non-striker last night, city detectives raided the home of John Howard

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Congress Snubs Truman's Bid

WASHINGTON, April 27—(UP)—Congress turned a frosty shoulder today on many of President Truman's requests for more power to control inflation.

Even the president's congressional lieutenants conceded there was no hope of getting all the far-reaching control powers as asked. Many Republicans denounced the new program as a power grab.

There was little chance Congress would approve a freeze of farm parity, which in effect would put a loose ceiling on farm prices. Truman had a fair chance to get somewhat broader rent control authority—but not on commercial buildings.

Despite his renewed request for a \$10,000,000,000 tax increase, the president would likely get only a part of it, perhaps \$7,000,000,000 or so.

Congress planned on going slow on the President's requests.

ELSEWHERE IN CONGRESS

Dawson—Sen. Karl E. Mundt, R., S. D., said "there is no question in the world" but that the Senate Investigating subcommittee will call White House Aide Donald S. Dawson to testify next week on federal job-selling in Mississippi.

Dawson was named as the man who arranged for the pro-Truman

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Man Jailed After Shooting Scrape

Alfred Allen, 36-year-old driver for Dyer's Taxi, was jailed here this morning on charges of public drunkenness and discharging firearms within the city limits after he allegedly "shot up" the place at Supreme Service Station.

Attendants at the station told police that Allen drove up to the station, took out a pistol and fired three times, then drove off.

He later was arrested by Police-men K. M. Fall and Gaither Riley. Allen denied the charges, officers said.

No reason for the episode was given.

Allen said they understood that Allen did not fire at anybody or anything, but just fired away. His action was attributed to his intoxication.

He was jailed and police said \$150 bond would be required for his release.

Fall Of Seoul Is Seen As Red Push Continues

TOKYO, April 27—(UP)—Chinese communist forces smashed into the Uijongbu area today only 11 miles north of Seoul today and rolled back the Allied line all across the front to the east.

Retreating Allied forces jammed the highways south from Uijongbu through Seoul. The fall of the South Korean Capital appeared near.

An 8th Army spokesman said United Nations forces were "disengaging" from the onrushing Chinese communist offensive all along the western, west-central and central fronts.

The Red Drive roared down on Seoul in two columns. One was ripping straight down from the north through Uijongbu. A second drive was flooding along the highway from Munsan to the north-west.

The Reds also renewed their six-day-old offensive on the central front. Allied units withdrew in the face of the attack. Front dispatches said one enemy unit was spotted "northwest of Chunchon."

On the eastern front east of Yangu the Reds hurled new North Korean forces into battle. Heavy fighting was reported going on east of Inje.

Lt. James A. Van Fleet, commander of the 8th Army, said his forces neither had ended their withdrawal nor established a permanent defensive line against the communist spring offensive.

HAN RIVER IS LINE

He vowed to stop the six-day-old assault north of the Han River—30 to 35 miles south of the 38th Parallel—but it was doubted he would fight to save bombed-out Seoul on the north bank. Civilians already were fleeing the former South Korean Capital and it was no strategic value.

"We are withdrawing in order," Van Fleet told newsmen at a front-line press conference. "We are taking a tremendous toll of the enemy while insuring only maximum losses to ourselves."

The Red offensive already has driven the Allies 10 to 17 miles south of the 38th Parallel all across the western half of Korea, but communists have paid for their gains with nearly 40,000 dead and wounded.

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Around Capitol Square

By LYNN NISBET, RALEIGH CORRESPONDENT

BIG YEAR—Spokesman for the State Department of Conservation and Development think 1951 may be the "big year" for the location of industrial plants. Industry had been steadily looking southward for new locations for a long time, and during the past three years there has been accelerated development, especially in the Southeast.

North Carolina has gotten a fair share of this new business, although State representatives frankly admit we should have obtained more if we are to maintain position of outstanding leadership in the area. During 1950 alone something like one hundred and ten million dollars worth of new plants were authorized for North Carolina, not including numerous small projects aggregating several millions more. On some of these plants construction has been completed, on some of them work has just started. Meantime, other firms are looking for suitable locations and North Carolina is also in the prospect of landing some good plants. There is a feeling that after this year there may be

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Electricity Will Be Shut Off May 6

Electric service will be cut off Sunday, May 6 from 5 a. m. to 5 p. m. at Bales Creek, Lillington, Bunn, and other rural areas.

Plans for the Little Theatre are progressing in a fine manner. Another member of the committee, Mrs. William Newsome, was unable to attend yesterday's meeting. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)



LEADERS PLAN FOR LITTLE THEATRE—A group of prominent Dunn, business and civic leaders are shown here yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce offices during a meeting to plan for the organization of a Little Theatre Group for Dunn. The movement was originated by Jim McMillan of Radio Station WCKB, who was absent when the picture was made. Left to right are, seated: Mrs. Henry W. Whitenton, A. Lincoln Faulk of WCKB; Earl H. Mahone and Mrs. David F. Chifford, standing: Rev. Joyce V. Early, A. B. Johnson, Rev. Richard Rhes Gammon, Mayor Ralph E. Hanna; David Lowrance, editor of The Dunn Dispatch, and E. W. Smith, Jr. Plans for the Little Theatre are progressing in a fine manner. Another member of the committee, Mrs. William Newsome, was unable to attend yesterday's meeting. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

Don't Fail To Vote Monday---It's Your Duty And Privilege