

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA - Cloudy and mild with widely scattered showers Monday. Mostly cloudy and slightly warmer Monday night. Showers and mild Tuesday.

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The Record Gets Results

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GENERAL UTILITY CO. SUFFERS BIG LOSS IN FIRE

Communists Agree To Freeze And Inspection Terms



OLD SANTA COMES TO TOWN - Dunn's Christmas parade Saturday night was the biggest, prettiest and most successful ever held here and, as usual, Old Santa Claus received a big ovation. He's shown here in front of the fire station waving to the children. Herman Neighbors, prominent Dunn business man and volunteer fireman, is shown at left of the parade which was being operated by John E. Norris. The crowd attending the parade was the largest ever to attend a Christmas celebration here. (Daily Record photo by J. W. Temple, Jr.)

Early Morning Blaze Damage Put At \$50,000

An early-morning fire today struck the General Utility Company in Dunn, one of the largest cotton gins in this section, and did damage estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

The fire was discovered this morning about 4:15 a.m. by Policeman K. M. Fall as he was patrolling that area of town, and firemen responded immediately.

Myres W. Tishman, owner of the company, said the fire apparently started from a short-circuit in a truck loaded with soybeans parked under the seed house.

The big seed house, which quickly turned into a burning inferno, was completely destroyed and demolished, and the blaze spread into the gin building next door.

Part of the gin building was burned and the ginning equipment was damaged.

FIREMEN PRAISED

Mr. Tishman, who offered high praises for Dunn's fire department, said that approximately \$4,000 worth of cotton seed were lost and at least 100 bales of cotton.

The loss, he said, was only partially covered by insurance. General Utility Company is one (Continued On Page Two)



SCENE OF FIRE - The shambles and ashes shown in the center this morning was all that was left of the big seed house at the General Utility Company in Dunn. A truck parked under the seed house caught fire and the blaze completely demolished the structure. The blaze also spread to the gin.

Hopes Rise As Deadlock Is Broken

PANMUNJOM, Korea. - The Communists broke the Korean armistice deadlock Monday by agreeing to a total arms freeze and proposing that "neutral" inspectors come behind the Iron Curtain to enforce it.

It was the first time that Communists anywhere have accepted the principle of arms inspection behind their borders or lines.

But they phrased the concessions in language that might end the U. S. rotation program, prevent replacement of battle-worn units and permit the Communists to complete new jet airfields.

SEEK CLARIFICATION

United Nations trustees sought to clarify the Red proposal by posing 21 questions. The Communists promised to answer them. (Continued On Page Two)

City Council Meets Tonite

The group who confer this afternoon with the Harnett County Board of Commissioners will report to the Town Board when it meets tonight on the results of their conference. City Manager Oliver C. Manning said this morning.

The City Manager, together with Mayor Ralph Hanna, R. G. Tuck, J. V. Bass, I. R. Williams, Dr. Charles W. Byrd, and Dr. W. B. Hunter will petition the board for a new Health Center in Dunn.

Other items expected to come before the town body are: purchase of a new police car; discussion on the Kneepants League and overall recreation; and the hiring of extra police help for service during the holiday period.

STATE NEWS BRIEFS

WINSTON-SALEM - Fire completely destroyed the bus depot and repair shops of the Twin City Lines just outside this city Saturday. The loss was partly covered by insurance.

GREENSBORO - B. E. Cummings, head of the income tax division of the office of the collector of internal revenue for North Carolina, will resign Dec. 10. (Continued On Page Five)

Harnett Negro Is Slain

Sam Allen McNeill, about 30, a Dunn Negro, died in the Dunn Hospital last night about 8 o'clock as the result of rifle wounds received early Sunday morning at the hands of James Roy Womack, 35, of near Lillington.

Womack brought McNeill to the Dunn Hospital and then reported to the Dunn police station and told officers that he shot McNeill when he took a shotgun, advanced on him and threatened his life.

The fatal shooting occurred at Womack's home in Upper Little River Township, about six miles from Lillington. McNeill was living at Womack's home at the time.

Womack said McNeill took a shotgun and went into his bedroom and told Womack he was going to kill him. He said he could tell McNeill had been drinking.

He said he ordered McNeill to put (Continued on Page Two)

Yule Carols To Be Sung At Campbell

On Sunday, December 9, beginning at 6:30 p.m. the people of this area will be given the opportunity to come together to participate in an old-fashioned Christmas Carol Festival. This event will be held in the D. Rich Memorial Auditorium on the campus of Campbell College.

The program is the first of its kind to be held in this area, and already has attracted much interest. The Festival being promoted and sponsored by the Campbell College Concert Association, is designed to help preserve and revitalize (Continued on Page Two)

Ike Says Thanks For His Showing In Poll

WASHINGTON - Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower replied with a non-committal "thank you" Monday to a poll showing that more than a fourth of the Republicans in the House favor him as their presidential candidate.

Eisenhower wrote Rep. W. Sterling Cole (R-NY), who conducted the poll, that he was "flattered" to hear the Republicans "feel that I have the necessary qualifications to fill the highest post in our country."

But his brief letter continued to duck the question whether he will (Continued on Page Two)

Dear Santa Claus

Benson, N. C. Rt. 1 Dear Santa Claus, I am a little boy, four years old. My name is Wayne Benson, and I go to Sunday School every Sunday. What I want for Christmas is a watch, fiddle, and a tractor. Please don't forget the boys and girls for I want them to be happy too. Please don't forget my two sisters for they want something too. I have been a good little boy and help my mother and father very much. My parents names are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Benson. With love, Wayne Benson, Benson, N. C. Rt. 1

Lillington, N. C. Rt. 2, Box 38 Dear Santa Claus, I would like to write you a nice little note because I love you so much. You have been so good to me at Christmas. I am a little (Continued on page two)

girl eleven years old and got brown eyes and black hair. I am smart and help my mother do the housework. I would like for you to bring me a piano and a camera and two rolls of film. I know you would like to bring it to me. Thank you. Edie Lou Lee

Route 3 Benson, N. C. Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl five years old. I want you to bring me a doll and cradle, and I also want a pair of bedroom slippers. My little sister, Fay, is three years old and she would like the same thing you bring me. Thank you, Wanda Kay Miller

Angier, Rt. 2 Nov. 30, 1951 Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a Roy Rogers (Continued on page two)

1952 Pontiac Being Shown

The great new 1952 Pontiac, featuring spectacular new dual-range performance, went on display this morning in the showrooms of Strickland Motor Company in Dunn.

President Paul L. Strickland, Vice President Dennis Strickland, officials of the company, joined in (Continued On Page Five)

BULLETINS

CLEVELAND - Louis B. Seitzer, editor of the Cleveland Press, has received the 1951 Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

NEW YORK - The New York Daily News raised its suburban newstand price from four to five cents Monday because of "mounting production and distribution costs." The city's other morning tabloid, the Daily Mirror, had already made a similar price increase.

NEWARK, N. J. - Prudential Insurance Co., hit by the first strike against an insurance firm, appealed to 28. (Continued on Page Two)

State Legion Chief To Speak Thursday

State Commander Louis F. Parker of the American Legion, a native of Dunn who now resides in Elizabethtown, will address the Dunn post of the American Legion Thursday night at 7 o'clock at the Legion Building on West Broad Street.

Commander Paul G. White said this morning that everything is in readiness for the meeting, which will also be attended by division and district officials and by post commanders and adjutants of the 14 posts in the three counties comprising the 16th District.

This will be the State Commander's official visit to his hometown post and a big reception is planned for him.

Division Commander Gabe Holmes of Sanford and District Commander T. L. Smith of Siler City will head officers in their group coming here for the meeting and all of the post commanders and adjutants. (Continued On Page Five)

Four Boys Killed In Tank Truck Explosion

(BY UNITED PRESS) Four boys shooting firecrackers tossed one into a gasoline tank truck and were killed by an explosion in the worst tragedy of a week-end that brought violent or accidental death to at least 20 persons in North Carolina, a United Press survey showed Monday.

Don, 14, Dwain, 7, and Dexter, 3, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hopkins and Harold Whitley, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Omus Whitley were killed instantly in the tank truck blast near Middlesex.

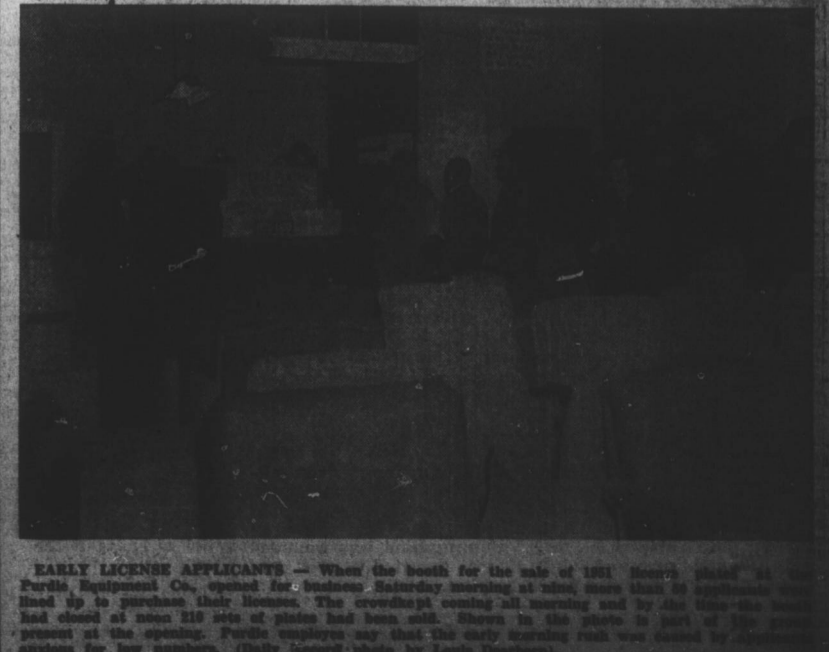
Two men were killed when their plane crashed into a house at Asheboro and burned. They were identified as James D. Hooker, 22, a Marine just returned from Korea, and David Ledwell, 25, both of Asheboro.

Fire destroyed four homes, killing 20-year-old James Philo Hall near North Wilkesboro, Julius Lamar Norfleet, 47, of Beaufort County, Joseph Robey Jarrell, 41, of Coleridge, and two-year-old Ruddy Green at Craggy Hills near Asheville. Two men were killed instantly (Continued On Page Five)

MARKETS

EGGS AND POULTRY

RALEIGH - Monday's eggs and poultry markets: Central North Carolina live poultry: Fryers and broilers steady to slightly weaker, supplies generally adequate. Heavy hens about steady, supplies short, prices paid producers FOB farm: Fryers and broilers (Continued On Page Five)



COMMANDER PARKER