

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA - Mostly fair today and tonight except for some light rain in mountain sections tonight. Thursday somewhat cloudy with light rain in northern and extreme West portions. Continued warm, becoming slightly cooler in North portion Thursday.

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RUSSIA ASKS UN COUNCIL MEETING TO END WAR



COATS GOES ON THE AIR - Radio Station WCKB of Dunn has opened a new broadcasting studio in Coats, and Coats Mayor J. D. Norris is pictured here as he delivered an address formally opening the new station. Mayor Norris is one of the busiest city officials in this section and works energetically for improvements in the progressive Harnett town. (Daily Record photo by T. M. Stewart).

Doughton Sees Opposition To Truman's Plan

WASHINGTON (AP) - Chairman Robert L. Doughton of the House Ways and Means Committee predicted today that President Truman's reform plan for the Internal Revenue Bureau will run into "much opposition" in Congress. The North Carolina Democrat, who appointed the subcommittee which has been exposing nationwide tax scandals, said "doubts" whether the reorganization proposal will go through. Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) agreed that Congress will "go slow" on the President's proposal to take the tax collecting system out of politics by putting all bureau employees under civil service.

DUNLAP CONFIDENT - Despite the rumbles of opposition from Capitol Hill, Internal Revenue Commissioner John B. Dunlap said he is confident that Congress will not block the reorganization plan just to keep from losing "patronage". The present 64 collectors, who would be eliminated by the proposed overhaul, are political appointees in whose selection congressmen usually have a big voice.

Former President Herbert Hoover noted that his commission on government reorganization recommended two years ago that all tax collectors be put under civil service.

In a radio speech last Saturday Hoover said tax collectors should be chosen only after "vigorous inquiry into the loyalty, character and integrity of applicants." Then, Mr. Hoover said, another "vigorous examination" should follow to determine their competence for each special field.

James R. Watson, executive director of the National Civil Service League, backed Mr. Truman's plan as "a major step in the right direction," and Democratic Sens. A. S. Mike Monroney (Okla.) and Joseph C. Mahoney (Wyo.) agreed. Dunlap said he looks for no more opposition in Congress than is "customary" for such a sweeping change indicating he thinks the shuffling will go through exactly as the President presented it yesterday.

CHURCHILL CONFERS ABOARD STALLED LINER



HIS DEPARTURE FOR THE U. S. DELAYED when the liner Queen Mary jammed an anchor chain, Britain's Prime Minister Winston Churchill holds a shipboard conference at Southampton. With him in his cabin are American Ambassador Walter S. Gifford (center) and England's Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden. Churchill is scheduled to hold a series of important conferences with President Truman. (International)

Churchill Seeks NATO Changes

ABOARD QUEEN MARY (AP) - Prime Minister Winston Churchill will make a big bid in Washington to get United States support for a major reorganization of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, informed sources said today. The major British objective will be to streamline the NATO so that its periodic meeting will be smaller, more informal and intimate and thus more effective.

Churchill and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden are working in their staterooms of this crack liner on their program for talks with President Truman and Secretary of State Dean Acheson. A close associate of Eden said of the plan to streamline the NATO, "With between 300 and 400 delegates attending conferences now they are mass meetings rather than conferences where decisions can be negotiated."

British plans also include the idea of a political goal for the entire Atlantic community as well as for a strictly West European community.

Panty - Clad Miami Model Found Dead Beside Crib

MIAMI BEACH (AP) - A beautiful blonde fashion model clad only in silk panties was found lying in a bed in a Miami Beach hotel. Police said a University of Miami student today pending outcome of an autopsy.

Blue-eyed Mrs. Marjorie Hecken, 29, was found lying face down on a bed in her swank Miami Beach apartment by 26-year-old Jerry Sukin yesterday.

Mrs. Hecken's four-month-old daughter, Debora Suzanne, was lying in her crib a few feet from her dead mother, kicking lustily. Deputy Constable William McCrory said Sukin reported finding the body after Mrs. Hecken's landlady unlocked her apartment for him. The shapely model, described as one of Miami's comeliest, died sometime between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. Wednesday, McCrory said.

of an upper tooth, according to McCrory. First examination disclosed no obvious wounds.

HAD LOVER'S SPOT - Detective Peter Stewart said the death "possibly" was caused by some sort of convulsion. But he emphasized that the cause of death could not officially be determined until the autopsy report is made.

Stewart said Sukin, the handsome university student from Philadelphia, admitted that he and Mrs. Hecken had a "little lover's spat" shortly before he left her early Tuesday. The detective said he questioned Sukin and was convinced the young man "is clean" and there was no foul play in the case.

McCrory said Sukin admitted destroying several notes he had pushed under the model's door after leaving her at dawn Tuesday. Sukin tore up the notes after finding the body, the deputy constable said.

County Home Inmate Charges Beating By Superintendent

Chairman Lofton A. Tart of the Harnett County Board of Commissioners disclosed today that he has received a complaint made by a 36-year-old inmate of the county home that Superintendent John Mason had "beat and abused" him.

The county officials heard Taylor's complaints at an executive session of the board, and Mr. Tart said he had designated Commissioner B. P. Ingram and Worth Byrd to investigate.

Taylor told the county commissioners that Superintendent Mason had abused him and had struck him in the face with an object.

Taylor also complained that Superintendent Mason allowed card-playing at the institution on Sunday afternoon and that he expressed belief that the superintendent was a "beat and abused" man.

Chairman Tart expressed belief that Taylor's accusations were unfounded and said he was inclined to believe it was merely a matter of his disgruntlement. He said there were no scars or bruises on him.

The official said, however, that the charges will be investigated thoroughly to see if action is necessary. Tart said Superintendent Mason would be ordered to appear before the board on Monday and give his explanation.

Hall Is Named As Cashier Of Bank At Angier

Haywood Hall, new cashier of the First-Citizens Bank in Angier, who took the position as cashier in charge of that bank on December 1, has been a member of the First-Citizens family for more than seven years.

During his time with the banking organization, he has made an outstanding record and one that well qualifies him for his new duties with the Angier institution.

He first joined the staff of the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co., in June of 1944 in the bank at Richlands. He terminated a position there as assistant cashier for his new duties at Angier.

He was educated in the public schools of Richlands, part of the Onslow County school system. Mrs. Hall is the former Miss Avis Lee Rhodes of Richlands.

The couple have two children, a son, Robert Haywood Hall, age 5, and a daughter, Mary Rhodes Hall, age 3. He recently moved his family to Angier from Richlands and is currently occupying the old Buck Curritt home.

Ray To Head Party Drive

Harnett Democratic Chairman W. A. Johnson today appointed Tax Collector Duncan P. Ray to head Harnett's Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner campaign.

The county's quota is \$300 again this year, and the popular tax collector is expected to raise the fund in short order.

Mr. Ray, a staunch party worker, has directed this campaign in Harnett for years and has never failed to put the drive over the top. Under the plan used in Harnett, Democrats are asked to contribute \$5 each and names of all contributors are put in a hat and six names are drawn out to represent Harnett at the \$50-a-plate dinner.

National Democratic Chairman Frank E. McKinney of Indianapolis will be the speaker this year.

Board To Appoint New Tax Appraiser

Appointment of a new appraiser will be one of the matters to be taken up by the Harnett County Board of Commissioners at its meeting Monday.

At the session Tax Supervisor Berles Johnson will recommend a countywide appraiser to fill the place vacated by H. S. Holloway, who has been appointed to serve on the Board of Commissioners.

C. H. Thornton of Dunn, is the other countywide appraiser.

COUNCIL TO MEET

The Harnett County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs will hold its quarterly meeting Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Lillington Community Building.

Two Are Bound Over In Theft Of Money

The pocketbook which came down the chimney into the apartment of Mrs. R. B. Bass was not a delayed Christmas gift from Santa Claus. It belonged to Rev. Wilson Lucas and was empty, but it left a trail that resulted in larceny and receiving charges against Tommie B. Williams and his brother Oscar.

Lucas told of laying the pocketbook containing \$200 aside when he retired for the night in the house trailer alongside his store. Next morning while he was cooking breakfast, he said the Williams boys came into his trailer.

He overheard the coffeepot, Lucas said, and burned his hand. There was considerable confusion while he dressed the scalded hand.

he said, and when he went to get the pocketbook to pay a neighbor for medicine he had sent for, the wallet was missing. So was Tommie, one of the boys.

According to Lucas' testimony, the other brother, Oscar, left saying that if his brother had the money he would get it back. Later both returned and when they denied knowledge of the theft, Lucas called police.

Sergeant A. A. Cobb, who investigated, said that a cursory search of the boys failed to reveal the missing cash, and that he took them to their home to investigate. Mrs. Bass, who lived in an apartment under the boys, produced the money.

Farm Bureau Is Short Of Goal

Final membership figures released today by the Harnett County Farm Bureau show that with a total membership of 338 the county fell short of the goal of 1100 members set for the year.

Alex Cameron of Jonesboro Heights is the new president, J. Carl Young of Angier, vice-president, J. E. Womble of Lillington treasurer and Walter Rogers of Broadway, Route 1, secretary.

BULLETINS

NORFOLK, Va., (AP) - H. L. Everton, local chief of the International Longshoremen's Association said today he believed only "two or three" days would be necessary to settle a strike of tugboat workers here.

TOKYO (AP) - Gen. Matthew H. Ridgway's headquarters refused today to confirm or deny a report that headquarters officers are opening and reading all mail from war prisoners in Korea before forwarding it to the U. S.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Americans ate less meat during 1951 than in any of the past nine years. The Agriculture Department's meat experts are preparing final consumption and production figures for 1951. Both are expected to drop to 1941-42 levels.

WACO, Tex. (AP) - Col. Zachary Taylor Miller, last of three brothers who owned and managed the famed 101 Ranch in Oklahoma, died in a hospital here early today from cancer of the liver.

TORONTO, Ont. (AP) - Two gunmen forced their way into a suburban branch of the Bank of Commerce today, tied up 15 persons and escaped by car with between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

WASHINGTON (AP) - A battle raged in the Korean peninsula today, with heavy fighting in several areas.

Building Permits For \$19,760 Issued Here

Building permits for \$19,760 worth of new construction and \$3,250 worth of repairs were issued in Dunn during December by City Building Inspector John E. Norris.

The report was submitted today to City Manager Oliver O. Manning. Permits for new construction were issued to the following:

Mrs. Lillie Barnes, W. Broad St., \$6,000; Joe G. Norris, West Cumberland St., \$4,500; C. H. Pope, East Bay Street, \$3,500; Robert Murphy, East Cole St., \$2,500.

ADDITIONS AND REPAIRS

Permits for additions and repairs were issued to: Johnson's Restaurant, \$3,000; and Annie Harrington, E. Cumberland St., \$250.

Plumbing inspections were made for: E. L. Godwin, Jr., North Watanga Ave., Cassaway Leggett, N. Wilson Ave., C. H. Pope, S. Washington Ave., and Houston Jernigan, West Broad Street.

Negro Caught Running Still

A 23-year-old Harnett County Negro is free under \$500 bond awaiting trial in U. S. District Court on charges of violating Federal liquor laws following his capture at a still in Harnett.

Federal KTG agents and Cumberland County ABC officers found Fred Douglas Washington of Overhill at a 125-gallon submarine type still in the western section of Harnett.

The officers destroyed 250 gallons of mash and 10 gallons of non-tax-paid whiskey during the raid, conducted in Barbecue Township. Washington was bound over to the next term of U. S. District Court at Fayetteville under \$500 bond.

STUDENT RETURNS

Jennie Smith, a student at Guilford College, spent the holidays with her parents in Dunn. They carried her back to Guilford yesterday.

Surprise Move Also Asks End To Cold War

PARIS (AP) - Russia proposed today that a United Nations Security Council meeting be called immediately to attempt to break the deadlock in the Korean armistice talks.

The surprise proposal also would call on top-level delegates, perhaps foreign ministers, to survey all phases of the cold war to determine if tension could be eased. The resolution was submitted before the General Assembly's main political committee under a special charter provision authorizing "periodic" Security Council meetings attended by high government officials and specially-designated delegates.

REJECTION SEEN

It was believed the Western powers would hastily reject the move. They have maintained persistently that a Korean cease-fire is a purely military problem that must be negotiated in battle-field talks.

The resolution was submitted during a committee debate in which Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei G. Vishinsky accused the United States of trying to hatch a Korean-style war in southern China.

He made the charge in answer to a proposal by 11 nations, backed by the U. S. to streamline UN collective security machinery to enable it to deal with new aggression as rapidly as possible. The plan would authorize the UN to delegate regional defense groups like the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to act on its behalf.

Vishinsky said the new program "would not enforce peace but would become a threat of a new war."

CALLS U. S. AGGRESSIVE

Vishinsky's 38-page speech, was mainly devoted to a rejection of an UN resolution to bolster the U. N.'s anti-aggression machinery, and comparatively restrained.

His main theme was that the U. S. was trying to use the U. N. as a camouflage for its "aggressive policies."

He again accused the U. S. of starting the Korean war and then echoed the Chinese Communist claim that the Americans are plotting a war against Red China itself.

STATE NEWS BRIEFS

ASHEVILLE (AP) - State Treasurer Brandon Hodges announced from his home here today that he will seek renomination as treasurer, thus counting himself out of the governor's race.

WAKE FOREST (AP) - Elliott Brantley Earnshaw, burser and secretary of Wake Forest College for 45 years, died today after an illness of 12 weeks.

RALEIGH (AP) - Associate Justice Thomas Valentine filed the first election fee of 1952 late yesterday. Valentine paid over two checks of \$44 each to the State Elections Board to allow him to run for both

Phone Firm Tells Why Raises Needed

The Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company filed a petition on December 27 with North Carolina Utilities Commission requesting permission to raise its telephone rates by about \$800,000 per year after taxes and additional expenses. The petition stated that the Company's earnings for the first 10 months of 1951, adjusted to an annual basis, amounted to only 3.50 per cent on the Company's gross investment and to only 4.25 per cent on the net investment. The Company requested that the Commission decide where the increases should be applied.

The Carolina Company, which maintains its headquarters in Tarboro, serves more than 35,000 telephones through 104 exchanges in eastern North Carolina. Since 1944, spiraling costs, including higher salaries and wages, have forced the company to seek general rate increases on three occasions.

The petition pointed out that the Company's plant investment has increased by about \$8,500,000 since June 30, 1950, the date on which the investment was considered in the Company's last rate case. The investment at the end of October was about \$31,700,000 and an additional investment of about \$1,000,000 is contemplated for November and December of this year.

The Company has had two recent stock issues. The first was a \$2,825 share issue during November and December of 1950 and the last was a \$1,850 share issue during the same months of this year. The proceeds, less expenses, of both stock issues were applied to short term bank loans which the Company had made to carry out its expansion and improvement program. The Company's position on the issue of \$4,000,000 of such loans will increase on three occasions.

MARKETS

EGGS AND POULTRY - RALEIGH (AP) - Today's egg and poultry markets: Central North Carolina live poultry: Fryers and broilers steady to slightly stronger, supplies adequate to short, demand fair to good; heavy hens steady, supplies generally short, demand fair to good; Fryers and broilers FOB farm 25-30, mostly 28-29.

Eggs steady, supplies adequate, demand fair. Prices paid producers and handlers FOB local grading stations: A large 27, a medium 21, B large 22, current collections 22-23.

COTTON - RALEIGH (AP) - Opening cotton futures (minimum and price) 100 lbs. (Continued on page two)