

NORTH CAROLINA — Considerable cloudiness and warm with showers and thunderstorms today and tonight, except becoming partly cloudy and cooler in West portion tonight.

Civil Rights Issue Enters The Campaign

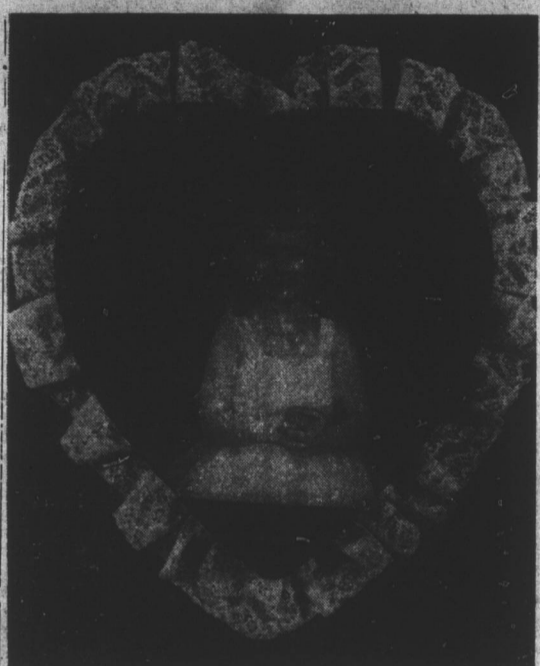
WASHINGTON (AP)—Some highly-placed Democrats predicted today that the rash of "he is, he isn't" statements from White House callers will prod President Truman into declaring his political intentions soon.

The President gets another chance at his weekly news conference today to supply fresh clues as to whether he will seek re-election. Meanwhile, the civil rights issue was injected into the pre-convention campaigns of both the Republicans and Democratic parties today by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Its Washington director, Clarence Mitchell, voiced fear that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who is available for the GOP nomination or Sen. Estes Kefauver (Tenn.), Democratic presidential candidate, would reverse the trend against racial segregation in the armed services.

Testifying before the Senate Armed Services Committee, Mitchell credited Mr. Truman with the "excellent progress" made by the armed forces in breaking down segregation.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS In other political developments: 1. Sen. Robert A. Taft (O), candidate for the GOP nomination.



A REAL VALENTINE — Valentine's Day has more than the usual significance to pretty, four-year-old Lucy Kate Welborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Welborn of Dunn. She was born on St. Valentine's Day and today is celebrating her birthday. Lucy Kate goes to Mrs. George Marks' Kindergarten. She has two sisters. (Daily Record photo.)

Wildlife Group Plans Meeting

A large crowd is expected here Thursday night for a reorganizational meeting of the Harnett County Wildlife Club. The meeting will be held at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

J. Furman Turnage, who is handling the arrangements, announced this morning that speakers will be Clark Patton and Bill Hammett of the State Wildlife Commission. They will also show a film entitled "Far West Wildlife," made in North Carolina.

Mr. Turnage said all fishermen, hunters, sportsmen, 4-H, FFA club members and farmers have been especially invited to attend.

Purpose of the organization is to bring more wildlife to the country and to preserve that already here. Mr. Turnage said the meeting will be of great interest to all who attend.

Chamber Due Credit For Many Benefits

Officials of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce, in launching their membership drive, today cited some of the benefits now being enjoyed by the town as the direct result of the chamber's activities.

Only the major accomplishments were listed although the complete list of achievements would fill several pages. A letter from the membership committee, composed of Locke Muse, Al Willenwaber and Paul Walker, calls for non-members to share their part of the responsibility to help build a greater Dunn.

President Clarence E. McLamb said today that the drive will continue until every business firm in the town has had opportunity to affiliate with the organization.

INVESTMENT—NOT EXPENSE "Paying dues to the Chamber of Commerce isn't an expense," reminded President McLamb. "It is an investment—and an investment which has shown proven dividends for the town."

No Time For Tears

Chuck Had One Burning Desire: To Be Able To Spend Christmas At Home. The Doctor Gave Him A 12-Hour Leave But No One Could Keep Him In The Hospital After That.

It was two weeks until Christmas I drove in past the main building and stopped in front of Chuck's window. Reflection of the hot sun on the pavement outside threw a bright light into the room, and we saw instantly that the respirator wasn't there.

I was alarmed. "Gosh, it looks like Chuck's been moved to another room. There's someone else in there on a bed."

"It's our boy!" She almost gasped it.

We were out of the car and at the windows in two seconds. Sure enough, there was Chuck, propped up on pillows, in a bed! Breathing on his own again!

Cal the day nurse, saw us standing outside and nudged Chuck. He looked up at us, and the smile on his face told us volumes.

The metal trachea tube in his throat was neatly corked up, and the cork stuck out like an absurd large wart.

"That boy is certainly doing beautifully," Cal said.

"We're all so thrilled to see him sitting up in bed. He's been out of his bed for three days."

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Driver Is Absolved In "Manhole Death"

A jury impaneled by Harnett County Coroner Grover C. Henderson has absolved Mrs. Billy Sorrell of Dunn, Route 3 of all blame in the "manhole death" of Herbert Smith, 48-year-old city employee.

Smith, who got his head hit when he stuck it out of a manhole last Thursday morning, died early Tuesday morning in the Dunn Hospital.

Mrs. Sorrell did not testify at the inquest but told investigating officers that she did not see Smith until after she hit him and looked back and saw him lying in the road. She said she thought she had hit a bump and promptly went back to render assistance.

Witnesses included: Policeman K. M. Fall, Policeman Tom Alken, Jerry Butler, Dr. Marvin E. Poole and three city employees who were working nearby. George Leach, Claude Ferguson and Jack Woodard.

The police officers told of their investigation. Mr. Butler testified that he was in the next car behind Mrs. Sorrell, but did not know un-

til he came almost upon the man himself that he had been hit. All three of the city employees said they were on the other side of the street and that the automobile was between them and Smith and they did not see the accident.

NO SIGNALS ERECTED Coroner Henderson and members of the jury questioned the witness closely as to whether or not barricades, flags or other warning signs had been placed around the manhole. Each witness said no such signals had been put out to warn motorists that a man was working in the manhole.

Attorney L. L. Levinson of Benson represented Mrs. Sorrell and her insurance company at the inquest. He said he saw no necessity for Mrs. Sorrell testifying. The woman is still suffering from the shock of the tragedy.

Members of the coroner's jury were: E. B. Oulbreth, James Lee, Bob Bass, Joe Young, Fred Byerly and Jerry Bryant. The hearing required about two hours.

Probe Interference Is Charged

Negro Leaders Opposing Ike And Kefauver

WASHINGTON (AP)—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People expressed fear today that the election of either Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower or Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) might halt the breakdown of racial segregation in the armed forces.

Eisenhower is available for the Republican presidential nomination, and Kefauver is seeking the Democratic nomination.

Clarence Mitchell, Washington director for the association, singled them out in testimony prepared for the Senate Armed Services Committee on the universal military training bill.

Mitchell urged that racial segregation be prohibited in any universal training and other reserve programs. He said the armed services are making "excellent progress" in eliminating segregation "almost entirely" because President Truman has encouraged them to do so.

Reminding that 1952 is an election year, Mitchell said that "at least two of the candidates running apparently would not carry out the program of the present administration... if we are to judge them by their past records."

He testified that Kefauver had voted to maintain segregation in a Senate vote June 21, 1950 and that Eisenhower once testified that colored soldiers would be at a disadvantage if integrated with white troops.



PIGGY-WIGGLY OFFICIALS HERE — Henry Milner, center, of Raleigh, president and owner of the Piggy-Wiggly stores in North Carolina, is shown here in Dunn as he conferred with Manager Norman Suttles, left, of the Chamber of Commerce, and Y. M. Cooley, right, advertising manager of the food chain. Mr. Milner was here looking over the progress on the big new Piggy-Wiggly Super Market being erected here. (Daily Record photo by J. W. Temple, Jr.)

Harnett Group Is Inducted

Twenty-one Harnett men were inducted yesterday morning at the Harnett station in Raleigh.

Harnett's next induction call will be on March 12 for 71 men.

Following is a list of those inducted yesterday: Lewis McKay, Erwin, Route 1; Lewis McKay, Bunnlevel, Route 1; Roy Erwin, Route 1; Richard L. Hopkins of Holly Springs, Route 1; David L. Pope of Angier; Paul G. Fowler of Erwin; Charles R. Norris of Linden, Route 1; Joseph E. Rogers of Manners.

Col. H. Sexton of Lillington, Route 1, David A. Ennis of Erwin, Willie B. Jernigan of Erwin, James H. Bowden of Sanford, Edward L. (Continued On Page Three)

Federal Agents Make Big Haul

Federal ATU agents and Cumberland County ABC officers, in one of the biggest hauls made in this section this year, last night seized three alleged bootleggers, confiscated an automobile and a truck and seized 114 gallons of whiskey and 200 lbs. from Dunn in neighboring Simpson County.

Arrested as defendants were: Jada Allen Beasley and John Arvin West, both of Dunn, Route 2, and Clayton Linwood Jernigan of Dunn, Route 5.

The government charged the three men with possession of a non-registered distillery, removing and concealing 114 gallons of distilled spirits and possession of property for sale.

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Piggly-Wiggly Plans Modern Food Center

The new Piggly-Wiggly Super Market, now under construction in Dunn, will be one of the largest, finest and most modern food stores in Eastern Carolina, officials of the company said here today.

Henry Milner of Raleigh, founder and president of North Carolina's group of 34 Piggly Wiggly Stores, and V. M. Cooley, advertising manager for the State-owned chain, were in Dunn checking on progress of the new building.

The handsome new structure is one of several modern new buildings being erected on East Broad Street by Alfred Blalock and Dr. W. W. Stanfield, who are developing the new shopping center. One of the adjoining buildings will be occupied by J. I. Thomas' Walgreen Drug Agency and negotiations are now underway for the other two buildings.

EARLY IN APRIL Oliver W. Godwin, contractor for the big building project, expects the first two buildings to be completed by April 1. The entire block is being laid off and built along modernistic lines and offering ample parking facilities.

The shopping center will be the latest type of modern architectural styling, with such features as all-glass fronts, scoby-eye electrical doors, a canopy extending all around the buildings and illuminated by indirect lighting fixtures; a pastel green sidewalk, and floodlights to illuminate the parking area.

Specially-finished brick are being used in the basic structure, which will be fronted with Tennessee Craborchard Stone such as that used in Raleigh's Cameron Village.

Dunn's Piggly-Wiggly Super Market will be 50x115 feet in size, will have an all-glass front from floor to ceiling to afford complete view of the store.

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King Accuses Treasury Of Trying Stifle

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Cecil R. King charged today that the Treasury Department tried to "stifle" the congressional tax scandal inquiry by "interfering with our investigation" in New York.

The California Democrat, chairman of a House ways and means subcommittee which has unearthed nationwide irregularities in the Internal Revenue Bureau, said he "took such measures as I deemed necessary" to "safeguard vital evidence" in the group's files.

DOCUMENTS REMOVED U. S. Attorney Frank Parker said in New York yesterday that the subcommittee had "impeded" a grand jury investigation of alleged tax scandals in New York by taking key documents to Washington just as his office was preparing to use them in the inquiry.

The papers, which were investigative reports compiled by four Internal Revenue intelligence agents, had been in the subcommittee's custody in New York since the subcommittee staff members took them to Washington shortly after midnight Tuesday.

King said the documents would remain in the custody of the House sergeant at arms "pending further clarification of the situation."

OFFICIALS INVOLVED It was learned that the documents involved former Internal Revenue Commissioner Joseph D. Nunn, Jr.; James B. E. Olson, who quit last August as supervisor of the Alcohol Tax Unit in New York; Carroll A. Mealey, former deputy commissioner in charge of the Alcohol Tax Unit, and Daniel A. Boykin, former chief of the New York intelligence unit.

King made his accusation in a statement issued by subcommittee headquarters here. The subcommittee is now in San Francisco investigating irregularities in the Internal Revenue office there.

King said "certain top Treasury officials" investigated the grand jury inquiry in a move "to interfere with our investigation in New York." He said the committee has undisputed evidence.

Mrs. Pat Lynch Endorses Clinic

Dunn's Information Clinic today received an endorsement from Mrs. Pat Lynch, president of the Senior Women's Club and one of the town's most prominent "women's leaders."

Meanwhile, Founder Jim McMillan reported that sales are going well for dinner tickets for the February 21st meeting when Dr. B. W. Ratchford of Duke University will speak.

THE STATEMENT Following is the statement received from Mrs. Lynch: (Continued On Page Three)

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STATE NEWS BRIEFS

ASHEVILLE (AP)—The blue ribbon federal grand jury investigating organized crime in Western North Carolina took time out today after three days of hearings.

The 23-member group will meet again Feb. 25 and is expected to wind up its hearing here in two days. The jury will then go to Charlotte.

MURPHY, N. C. (AP)—Veterans streamed to the polls today to cast ballots in the hotly contested referendum on legal beer sales. A victory for the wets would make this town an oasis in dry Cherokee County. This Western tip of the state is traditionally dry.

RALEIGH (AP)—Gov. Kerr Scott announced today that he has named William E. McLean of Asheville, (Continued On Page Three)

BULLETINS

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Nominating petitions to enter Harold E. Stassen in the Pennsylvania Republican presidential preference primaries were circulated throughout the state today and probably will be filed before next Monday's deadline.

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The well-dressed young man asked the shopkeeper's wife for a paper bag, which he put over his hand to conceal a pistol which he drew from his pocket as he announced a holdup. The bandit escaped with about \$80.

NEW YORK (AP)—Miss Jacqueline Cochran, famous pilot and co-chairman of the "Squadron to Bismarck" rally held in Madison Square Garden last Friday, said (Continued On Page Three)



WESTMINSTER GROUP TO SING AT CAMPBELL — Pictured here is the Westminster Chorus, which will present a concert in D. Rich Memorial Auditorium, Campbell, on Friday night, February 15, at 8 o'clock. Dr. John P. ... (Continued On Page Three)