

WEATHER+

Mostly fair with little temperature change today and tonight. Friday partly cloudy becoming slightly warmer in afternoon.

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Truman Asks Nearly 8 Billion For Foreign Aid

Senator Taft Takes Over NH Campaign

CONCORD, N. H. (UP) — Sen. Robert A. Taft took personal command of his New Hampshire political campaign today in a last-ditch attempt to beat Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in the country's first primary contest.

Taft scheduled an extensive three-day "grass-roots" tour of the state in an effort to bring out a heavy Republican rural vote next Tuesday.

PLANS 29 SPEECHES

He planned 29 speeches and appearances before winding up the trip with a major address at Concord, the state capital, Saturday.

Taft supporters planned his itinerary with special emphasis on small communities which they hope will provide him enough votes to head the popularity poll if not capture a majority of the state's 14 Republican delegates.

To win a complete victory Taft must take both, but his backers indicated they would be happy with a stalemate.

Leaders of both the Taft and Eisenhower camps believe the bitter campaign is sure to attract more voters than in 1948 when Gov. Thomas E. Dewey beat Harold E. Stassen. Four years ago, \$645,000 votes were cast in the primary.

BIG DEMOCRATIC VOTE

The fight between President Truman and Sen. Estes Kefauver is likely to turn out an unusually large number of Democratic voters with no contest in the Democratic primaries started before the election.

Kefauver, like his fellow Senator from Ohio, has concentrated on rural areas. His backers are basing their hopes on carrying the presidential contest, which reportedly some Truman supporters "worried." A smooth-running Democratic state organization is pushing the President's campaign.

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INVOLVED IN BIG DEALS
— Mrs. Giga Konow, shown here, a New York ship operator, has been named as go-between in a big deal involving Robert W. Dudley, Washington attorney and two partners who netted \$1,267,000 in profits from ship transactions now being investigated by the Senate. (International Newsphoto)

GETS EXOTIC ROLES



Inquest Slated In Three Deaths

An inquest into the death of three rebels killed Monday afternoon, February 18th, a mile north of Benson will be held Monday at 8 o'clock in the Johnston County courthouse at Smithfield.

The inquest was called today by Johnston County Sheriff Clegg, who said officers have now completed their investigation into the deaths.

The wreck took place in a head-on collision between a 1948 Dodge automobile in which the three rebels and another person were riding and a 1950 car-truck and trailer operated by William Jordan of Shreveport.

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PASTOR TO PRESIDE

The Rev. Mr. Berry will preside.

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MISS ENNIS WINS PHILCO CONTEST — Miss Florence Ennis, well-known Dunn woman, is shown here as she was presented a beautiful new Philco combination radio and phonograph for winning first place in the Old Refrigerator Round-Up conducted by Thomas and Warren Furniture Co., local Philco dealer. Miss Ennis registered the oldest refrigerator in the contest. Left to right are: W. E. Warren, J. Thomas, Miss Ennis and W. B. Warren. Thomas and Warren extend to the public a cordial invitation to see and inspect the beautiful new line of Philco appliances. (Daily Record Photo by Ed Welborn.)

New Church Planned At Falcon

Boy, 13, Admits Killing Girl Who Refused A Kiss

SMITHSTOWN, N. Y. (UP) — Police today charged a 13-year-old boy with killing his classmate, a 12-year-old girl, because he gave her details of the slaying that were not known to the public.

Suffolk County District Attorney Lindsey R. Henry said Harold Lorraine, 13, confessed yesterday he killed Lyde Kitchner, a shy girl who avoided boys, last Nov. 29 when she refused him a kiss.

BOASTED OF CRIME

Harold became a suspect after his seventh-grade classmates told their parents he had boasted to them that he had committed the "perfect crime."

Harold's mother, Mrs. Mae Lorentson, came to town hall last night to comfort the youth as he was arraigned on a murder charge and ordered held without bail for the grand jury.

Henry said young Lorentson first admitted he killed Lyde as they walked home from school, then denied it. Later he dictated another confession.

"I think from the evidence he has given us he has committed murder," Henry said.

A postman found Lyde's body in a wooden section of this Long Island community while hunting. She had been strangled with her own scarf, but although her clothing was disarranged, had not been raped.

Police believed an adult sex maniac had slain the child until last Tuesday when Harold ran out of a store after facing a school teacher who had told police the last time she saw Lyde alive the girl was walking with a blond youngster.

HEIGHT STUDENT

Harold, who is blond, weighs 92 pounds and is five feet two inches tall, was arrested yesterday on his

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+MARKETS+

RALPH — Nos. markets:

ROCKY MOUNT: Steady at 17.00 for good and choice 180-240 lb. hams and gills.

Fayetteville: Florence: Slightly weaker at 17.00.

Whiteville, Pembroke, Jacksonville, Tarboro, Kinston, Lumberton, Marion and Clinton, Lumberton, Marion and Clinton: Slightly weaker at 18.75.

Wilmington, Washington, Mount

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Garbage Will Be Can Law Enforced

City Manager Oliver O. Manning warned today that there would be a "crack down" on violators of the new sanitary ordinance soon after the law goes into effect on March 21st.

On this day the new law will have been advertised for the benefit of those required by law and will go into effect immediately. The week after the ordinance goes into effect the town board has arranged an opportunity for all citizens to cleanse themselves of trash and purchase containers to store their trash in. It is hard to imagine

BULLETINS

JACKSON, Miss. (UP) — A Federal jury found five former law officers innocent of charges that they violated a Negro's civil rights by handcuffing him to a tree and flogging him in an attempt to force aburgary confession.

5TH ARMY HQ, Korea (UP) — Allied infantry commanders kept close watch today for signs of possible new Communist offensives in Korea as enemy artillery blasted United Nations advanced positions on the eastern front.

PARIS (UP) — Antoine Piney, bidding for National

Tells Congress Nation Can Well Afford It

WASHINGTON (UP) — President Truman asked Congress today to invest another \$7,900,000,000 in building up strong allies against communism, and warned that any cuts in foreign aid spending would be "foolish and dangerous."

In a 8,000-word special message to the House and Senate, the President clashed head-on with economy-minded lawmakers of both parties who plan to slash upward of \$1,000,000,000 from his aid program.

"If there is any question about this amount," he declared, "it is not whether it is too large, but whether it is too small. The funds are needed, all of them."

TO ADDRESS PEOPLE

Mr. Truman will follow up the strongly-worded message with a direct appeal to the people over all radio and television networks at 10:30 p.m. EST.

Aware that Congress is particularly reluctant to vote large new funds for economic aid to Europe, Mr. Truman broke down his request into three categories instead of the usual two.

He asked \$5,350,000,000 in "direct military" aid to free nations in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Near East, the Pacific and Latin America; aid to increase on-the-spot \$1,819,000,000 in defense support-arms production in Western Europe; and \$656,000,000 in "outright economic" and "Point Four" aid — none of it to be spent in Europe.

HIGHLIGHTED FOR 1953

All of the funds would be spent during fiscal 1953, which begins July 1. The request represented an increase of about 10 per cent in the foreign aid funds, which Congress voted for the current 1952 fiscal year.

Mr. Truman said the United

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Willie Lucas Dies Suddenly

Willie A. Lucas, 65, widely-known resident of Dunn, Route 4, died early Thursday morning at his home. He died suddenly of a heart attack.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church. The Rev. C. W. Kirby, the Rev. J. D. Capps and the Rev. Stacey Beasley will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

The body will lie in state at the church for one hour prior to the services.

HARNETT NATIVE

Mr. Lucas was a native and lifelong resident of Harnett County, son of the late Lucian and Eleanor Coats Lucas. He was active in the

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STATE NEWS BRIEFS

RALEIGH (UP) — The State Board of Education meets here today but spokesmen said they probably would not discuss the latest suit filed by Negroes in federal court charging discrimination.

Officers will also be named. Thad H. Pope of Dunn is secretary-treasurer.

Mr. West issued a special invitation to Democrats to attend this meeting.

RALEIGH (UP) — Dr. Henry Jordan, State Highway Commission chairman, said today that Rep. R. L. Doughton soon will introduce in Congress a bill calling for a \$5,000,000 appropriation to complete the Blue Ridge Parkway.

CHAPEL HILL (UP) — North Carolina is in a better position to serve the health needs of its citizens and the people of the entire region than any other state in the nation, W. T. Sanger, president of the Medical College of Virginia, said here yesterday.

WINSTON-SALEM (UP) — John Weller had to go to jail in prison today after pleading guilty to second degree murder of his employer and kidnapping of two women.

RALEIGH (UP) — The state can collect sales tax on goods that go into construction of a radio tower, the state Supreme Court ruled yesterday in the case of several construction companies.

SUCCESSION MOORE

The Rev. Mr. Holloway was nominated to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Rev. Maynard E. Moore, who resigned recently to accept a call as pastor of a Baptist church near Lakeview, Ga.

Mr. Holloway served as minister in Lakeview for several months.



CRASH VICTIM GOES HOME — Merle Silbert, twelve-year-old victim of the crash north of Benson which cost the life of her parents, is shown before being placed in the ambulance on the first leg of her trip home to New York. Unaware of the death of her parents, she believes she is going "home to mommy." She will make the trip from Fayetteville to New York by air and another ambulance will pick her up at the New York airport and transfer her to a hospital there. Lifting her onto the ambulance is Lloyd Pope of Dunn, a medical technician at Pope Field. (Daily Record photo by Louis Dearborn.)

Girl Orphaned In Wreck Flown Home

By LOUIS DEARBORN
Record Staff Writer

Twelve-year-old Merle Silbert, her body still wracked with pain from injuries received in a wreck that killed both her parents, left Dunn Hospital by ambulance this morning to fly "home to Mommy."

The pretty little girl, who still doesn't know her parents are dead, was all excited this morning as they took her away on a stretcher—as excited and happy as a person could be despite her injuries.

EXCITED AND HAPPY
For days, she's been talking about seeing "Mommy and Daddy" again. That's all she can talk about. She hasn't seen them since the day of the tragic accident which occurred a mile north of Benson.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Silbert of the Bronx, New York, and a friend, Mrs. Gladys Kalofsky, were killed instantly in the wreck.

Investigators said the children were killed late yesterday by their young mother who then climbed up to her attic and hanged herself above a clutter of dolls, toy trains and teddy bears.

Mrs. Frank J. Klemm, 50, left two suicide notes, but police declined to discuss their contents. Mrs. Klemm's husband, who returned home from work after the triple murder and suicide, had been committed, said she had been despondent.

ONE ON EACH POST
Detective Robert Rotham said each child was hanged from a different post on the bed.

Toy gun shells still were attached to the brightly-stuffed cowboy belts which Mrs. Klemm had fashioned into nooses, the detective said.

Rotham said Mrs. Klemm probably hanged her 13-month-old daughter, Margaret, first. (Continued On Page Three)

Holloway Is Named To Missionary Post

The Rev. Julius Holloway of Lillington has been appointed Home Missionary of the Little River Baptist Association and will serve the 29 churches in the association.

His selection was announced this morning by Leslie B. Campbell of Union City, Tenn., moderator of Campbell College and moderator of the association.

BUCKINGHAM
A mass meeting of the Buckingham Friends' Union will be held at Friends' Meetinghouse in Buckingham, April 11.

The Rev. George Denning, pastor of the Friends' Meetinghouse, will speak at the meeting.

Friends' Meetinghouse is located on the corner of Main Street and Church Street in Buckingham.