

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA — Considerable cloudiness and mild through Tuesday with higher temperatures tonight. Scattered rain tonight and Tuesday, probably beginning in mountains this afternoon.

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Ike, Taft Backers Make Conflicting Victory Forecasts

CONCORD, N. H. (AP) — Supporters of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Sen. Robert A. Taft made conflicting forecasts of victory today as New Hampshire voters prepared for tomorrow's curtain-raising presidential primary.

The stinging "grass roots" campaign, which left little room for compromise among opposing Republican factions, is expected to attract more than one-third of the state's 300,000 eligible voters.

While the Eisenhower-Taft contest holds the national spotlight, President Truman's popularity in the rank and file gets its first major test since the 1948 elections.

KEFAUVER CONCEDES

Sen. Estes Kefauver, the President's opponent in the Granite State primary, all but concedes victory. Kefauver said with another week of "cracker barrel" campaigning, he could beat Mr. Truman. But with time having run out, he will be satisfied "with a good showing."

SAYS IKE WEAK

The fact that Eisenhower did not personally participate in the campaign or make known his position on important political issues was Taft's main argument for support. He said he believed Eisenhower would be a "weak" candidate, once he took a stand on controversial issues.

The senator's attack prompted Eisenhower backers to respond in blunt terms.

HITS TAFT RECORD

Gov. Sherman Adams, the general's New Hampshire campaign manager and a candidate for a ticket to the Chicago convention, closed the campaign by citing Taft's voting record against selective service in 1940, the Atlantic Pact and parts of the national defense budget.

"We must not follow any candidate to cover up documented facts in his record that affect our very safety and even survival," Adams said. "We Eisenhower Republicans have refrained from saying anything much about the senator from Ohio."

Tulip Time



WEARING a Dutch costume, Nancy Callaghan tip-toes through a bed of tulips at the Bronx, N.Y., Botanical Garden's "Holland in Tulip Time" show. The exhibit, featuring 5,000 blooms, will continue through March 23. It was planned in anticipation of the forthcoming visit of Queen Juliana of the Netherlands to the United States.

State Political Action Picking Up Momentum

By UNITED PRESS

A stepped-up tempo of stump speaking by two major candidates for the Democratic nomination for U. S. Senator appeared today as the spring campaigning began in earnest.

Former U. S. Sen. William B. Umstead scheduled three speeches in Eastern North Carolina while his opponent, Judge Hubert E. Olive of Lexington scheduled three in Eastern Carolina and one in the Piedmont for this week.

Umstead will speak at Elizabeth City tomorrow night, at Wilson Thursday and at Carthage on Saturday night.

Olive will speak at Rocky Mount and at High Point early in the week and at Wilson and Wake Forest later.

Meanwhile Republicans in a number of counties were choosing delegates to the GOP state convention March 18 at Charlotte.

Watauga County Republicans endorsed incumbent James Haley of Marshall as state chairman and Ed Broyhill as national committeeman.

TAFT ENDORSED Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio was endorsed by Rutherford County Republicans while Wilkes, Catawba and Watauga decided to leave their delegates uncommitted as to a presidential nominee.

A squabble between three Sampson County candidates.

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STATE NEWS BRIEFS

GASTONIA — Damage was estimated today at \$10,000 from a fire that broke out in the boiler room of the Dallas Lutheran Church near here yesterday.

CHARLOTTE — The North Carolina Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People announced today a special one-day political action conference to be held at Raleigh March 22.

RALEIGH — At least 11 high school students were injured in a fight at a school here yesterday.

Three Murder Cases Are Set For Trial

Three murder cases and seven manslaughter cases top the calendar to be tried at the one-week March criminal term of Harnett County Superior Court which opens Monday March 17. Judge William T. Hatch of Raleigh will preside.

Two murder trials are those of Richard Jones and Charles B. Hise, both of which are calendared for trial Monday March 17. The murder case of Warren Sanders goes to Grand Jury. Other cases set for Monday are:

Walter Beslev, careless and reckless driving; Sam Hallman, no operators license and careless and reckless driving; George Griffin, J. C. Beardon and Charles E. Pope, failure to comply with judgments.

J. E. Webster, bad check; Hardy Ray Draughton, larceny and receiving; Eugene Wood, manslaughter, Talmadge Jernigan, forgery; Clarence (Shug) Avery and Herbert Dorman, conspiracy to violate the prohibition laws; Norman A. Shapiro, et al, (disposition of seized truck).

Hubert L. Comer, abandonment; Edwin Lee Wade, abandonment; James Talmadge Byrd, drunken driving; Lindsey Ryala, possession for sale; Eugene Barefoot, public drunkenness.

GRAND JURY CASES

Cases to be presented to the Grand Jury and called at the pleasure of the Solicitor are:

Benjamin Bailey, breaking and entering and larceny (15 counts); Robert Williams, breaking and entering and larceny; Robert (Bob) Porter, assault with intent to commit rape; Robert Temple, breaking and entering and larceny; Jonas Grannick, manslaughter; Alonzo McLean, manslaughter.

Cases set for Tuesday, March 18, are as follows: Cattle Bailey, violation of the prohibition laws; Allen Newton, larceny; Emerson Costa, manslaughter (two counts); John Mack Wood, Jr., and Robert Wood, trespass; Alton West, forgery (two counts).

David T. Fisher and Jonus Mallard, violation of the prohibition laws (manufacturing); Jesse Winfield Jackson, abandonment and non-support; Veteriol Canupp, manslaughter.

Lover Admits Fatal Beating Of Movie Star

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — A 32-year-old real estate man admitted to police today he administered a severe beating to his sweetheart, former Mack Sennett screen beauty Marjorie Page, who died 12 hours later.

Stanley Wassil, who said he has lived with Mrs. Page since 1945, told detectives he struck the one-time bathing beauty in an argument over money and another man's clothing he found in an apartment the two shared.

Mrs. Page, once known in films as Marjorie Zeas, was the third wife of the late Michael Cudahy.

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Mystery Of Woman No Longer Mystery

The FBI solved for the Dunn Police Department the mystery of the woman who refused to tell her name during more than three days she was held in jail here.

A straggling blonde, about 40 years old, she was arrested on a technical charge of vagrancy here early Tuesday morning when police found her roaming around the streets.

She steadfastly refused to reveal her name or any other information about herself.

Police Chief G. A. Jackson rushed to the FBI a set of her fingerprints taken by Corporal Francis Hall and FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover wired her name and record Saturday morning.

MANY ALIASES She not only has a name but a number of aliases. Her real name, reported the FBI, is Helene Elouquist Bouchard.



GOP CANDIDATES AND COUNTY LEADER — Pictured are Chairman J. O. West of the Harnett County Republican Executive Committee and six of the candidates for county offices selected at the rally Friday afternoon. Pictured are, left to right: Rev. O. S. Young, candidate for Judge of Recorder's Court; R. G. B. (Bob) Shaw, candidate for commissioner; Mr. West; Mrs. Addie Pope Shepherd, candidate for Register of Deeds; O. W. Godwin, Sr.; candidate for commissioner; D. Vic Lee, candidate for the House of Representatives. Two other candidates selected, Henry Hall, candidate for Coroner and H. R. Edgerton, candidate for Surveyor were not present when the picture was taken. (Daily Record photo by Louis Dearborn).

Harnett GOP Names Slate

Two Arrested Running Still

Two Harnett County men were arrested and two whiskey stills were destroyed in a raid conducted during the weekend by Federal ATU agents and Cumberland County ABC officers.

The raid took place five miles from Linden inside the Harnett line. One of the stills, a 200-gallon outfit, was in operation.

Ground Broken For New Falcon Church

Simple ground breaking ceremonies yesterday marked the start of the building of the new Culbreth Memorial Church at Falcon, named in honor of J. A. Culbreth, who 53 years ago started the Falcon Camp meetings that have resulted in the formation of Falcon Orphanage, Falcon School and the present camp meetings.

The projected new building was named in the founder's honor at a meeting of church officials held just prior to the ground-breaking ceremonies. The first shovel of dirt was turned by L. A. Culbreth of Smithfield, brother of the founder.

BERRY PRESIDES Rev. J. W. Berry, pastor of the progressive Cumberland County church presided. Members of the building committee are; Henry

Safe Is Stolen From Offices Of Local Concern

A safe robbery, two cutting scrapes, a stolen bicycle and a serious accident, kept the Dunn Police Department busy over the weekend. The bicycle, owned by Tommy Frix, was recovered and returned to him.

The most serious of the offenses was the burglary of the Black River Mattress Company. Police were notified this morning that a safe at this plant had been removed.

Entry to the plant was gained by prying open one of the rear doors with a two by four. After ransacking the offices the safe was removed from the premises. The safe weighs about 300 pounds, reported C. A. Roberson, owner of the company.

If the thieves have managed to force the safe open they have found themselves ill repaid for their work. Officials at the mattress concern said there was only \$100, two and three dollars in change in the safe. Corporal Francis Hall is checking for fingerprints on other clues.

Local Church Names Deacons

Dunn Presbyterians Sunday morning elected four new deacons and re-elected three others, it was announced this morning by the Rev. Richard Rhea Gammon, pastor.

Elected as new deacons were Frank Belote, K. F. Howard, Gerald Mann and B. A. Bradley.

Re-elected to serve a second year were; Louis F. (Doc) West, Walter Howard and Johnnie Wilbourne.

MUSE BETTERING Locke Muse is the retiring pastor. He was ineligible for re-election since he has already served two terms.

Mr. Gammon said the board of deacons will meet at an early date to elect a chairman.

Dunn Rotary Club Elects Dr. Byrd

Dunn Rotarians have elected Dr. Charles W. Byrd, prominent Dunn physician, civic and religious leader, as president for the new year.

Dr. Byrd, who last year was elected as Dunn's "Man of the Year" was elected at the annual organizational meeting to succeed Redding President A. E. Johnson.

President Johnson, who automatically becomes vice president, is retiring after an outstanding year of service to the civic group.

The new president has been a leader in Rotary ever since he came to Dunn.

NEW DIRECTORS Elected to serve as directors were: Dr. Byrd, President; Johnson, Vice President; J. Edward Johnson, Secretary; John Strickland and W. S. Cobb.

BULLETINS

LONDON (AP) — Rival factions of the Labor Party held separate sessions today to plot strategy for a showdown which may lead to the expulsion of leftist rebel Aneurin Bevan and his followers.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Emilie Rieve, president of the CIO textile workers, called today for a Senate investigation of the "disruption" of the textile industry by "financial buccaneering."

In a letter to Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey D-Minn., Rieve blamed the present plight of the industry, which has 150,000 unemployed workers, on tax "loopholes" and the "short-sighted fiscal policies being pursued by certain states and municipalities."

NEW YORK (AP) — Vice Gen. C. Turner Joy, senior United Nations truce negotiator, re-opens the Communists' (Continued on Page Seven)

MARKETS

RALEIGH (AP) — Hog markets: Pembroke, Tarboro, Whiteville, Kinston, Rocky Mount, Lumberton, Fayetteville, Clinton: Steady on good and choice 180-240 lb. barrows and gilts at 17.00.

Wilmington, Washington, Mount Olive, Wilson, Dana, Goldsboro, Smithfield: Slightly weaker at 16.75.

COTTON I. p. m. prices NEW YORK (AP) — March 33.37; May 33.57.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — March 34.00; May 34.75.

DEBATE TICKETS GO ON SALE — Tickets for the big debate to take place here on Thursday night, April 17th between gubernatorial candidates Bill Umstead and Hubert Olive went on sale here this morning. Mayor Ralph E. Hanna, left, is shown as he purchased the first ticket from J. Shepard Bryan, president of the Dunn International Club, which is sponsoring the debate. Only 350 tickets will be offered and it is expected that most of them will be gone before the end of the week. Mrs. Dana Umstead, state treasurer, is in charge of ticket sales. Tickets may be purchased at The Commercial Bank. (Daily Record photo by J. W. Temple, Jr.)