

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA - Cloudy and cooler today and tonight; occasional rain today and in the East portion tonight. Tomorrow partly cloudy and slightly warmer, preceded by occasional rain in coastal areas.

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Tornado's Toll At 250 As Storm Rages

Ten-Foot Snow Reported In Some Areas

By UNITED PRESS The most destructive storm of the winter howled toward the Far North today, leaving behind it a swath of destruction down the nation's midsection from the Canadian border to the Deep...

Even as villagers in six Southern states cleared away the wreckage caused by a pack of killer tornadoes, the Red Cross revised its death count upwards to 250. Earlier reports had placed the toll at 204 then 222.

The Red Cross said that 1,075 persons were injured, 387 homes destroyed, another 1,301 damaged. Applications for help totaled 2,612, the agency said.

But no statistics could record the suffering wrought on the people of Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri and Alabama.

DRIVING SNOW A.T.D WINDS The storm which spawned the twisters took the form of driving snow and windstorms as it spread north and east.

Winds up to 55 miles an hour piled snow 10 feet deep in some portions of the Northern Midwest.

Once again, communications in the winter-weary Midwest, were ripped out, highway traffic slowed to a crawl and freezing death came to some.

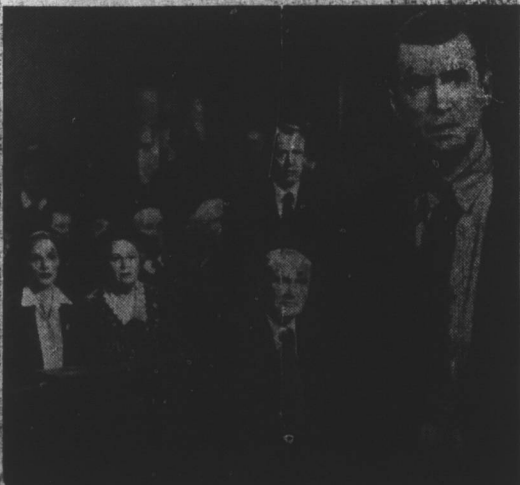
In Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and the Dakotas, snowplow crews fought to clear highways. In some cases, the winds undid their work as fast as they broke through the blocked routes.



ROTARIANS HEAR NORFLEET GARDNER - Dunn Rotarians Friday night heard a report on Japan from the Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner, right of Henderson. He told the club the Japanese have made a remarkable recovery. Pictured here with Mr. Gardner are, left to right, Paul L. Strickland, Rev. Ernest P. Russell, Mrs. Gardner, and Rotary President A. B. Johnson. (Daily Record Photo by J. W. Temple, Jr.)



JIMMY STEWART AS WILLIAMS - In "Carbine Williams," powerful M-G-M drama to be released in June, James Stewart enacts David Marshall Williams of Godwin, noted gun genius, who began his remarkable firearm inventions while in prison in North Carolina and won freedom to achieve success and fame. Co-starring are Jean Hagen, right, as his loyal wife, and Wendell Corey, left, as the prison warden who became his best friend. (Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer photos special to The Daily Record.)



AT TRIAL OF CARBINE - The trial of Marshall Williams, inventor of the carbine, is being depicted in the picture from the movie, "Carbine Williams," which will be released in June. In this picture, Williams was standing to hear his sentence of thirty years in prison. Jean Hagen, casting his wife, is shown at the left in the front row of spectators at the trial. (M-G-M photos, special to The Daily Record.)

Williams Film Set For June Release

"Carbine Williams," the movie which depicts the life of David Marshall Williams, the famous Godwin gun inventor, will be released by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer in June.

Erwin Girl, 17, Struck By Auto

Jackie Lucas, 17-year-old girl, was painfully injured Sunday morning when struck by an automobile on West Cumberland Street.

Miss Lucas, a student operator at the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. here, came out of Sacred Heart Cathedral Church after attending mass and was struck as she crossed the street.

Driver of the automobile was Mrs. Lillian Carpin Ammons of Dunn, Route 1.

Policeman Aaron Johnson, who investigated, said blame had not been fixed for the accident.

The young lady was rushed to the Dunn Hospital. Her condition is not believed to be serious.

Miss Lucas, daughter of Mrs. Carrie Lucas of Erwin, has been employed at the Telephone office here for about three weeks.

VISIT FRIENDS Mr. and Mrs. Hurskin Creach was in Durham and Mebane for the week-end visiting friends.

Several Accidents Occur In Weekend

Several minor wrecks occurred during the weekend, according to Highway Patrolmen stationed in this area.

A blowout caused the overturning of the car driven by James Daniel Fish, of Route 1, Willow Springs.

The accident occurred Friday night at 8:30 p.m. three miles east of Angier on U. S. Highway 210.

The 1951 Ford coach was traveling east at the time of the blowout, and overturned on the highway. The car was demolished and Fish, 31, was injured slightly.

The second accident reported happened at the red light in Erwin Sunday morning at 9 a.m. A 1951 Buick sedan, driven by Daniel G. Bahamed, 30-year-old Marine, of 523 Tull St. in Monroeville, Ohio, was stopped for the red light.

A 1951 Ford, traveling west, driven by Lottis L. Fisher, 34 of Clinton, made too wide a turn and hit the Bahamed car. Lottis Fisher was indicted for driving on the wrong side of the road. Damages claimed approximately \$500.

A shot highway was closed for the accident which occurred Sunday afternoon at the red light on the east side of the Cape Fear River bridge. Fish drove 31 to 32 at Dunn, and arrived in Erwin Sunday morning at 9 a.m. A 1951

Taft's Backers Say Ike Hasn't Cut His Strength

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Taft camp claimed today that it's "basic strength" was unhurt by recent gains of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. A campaign aide of Sen. Robert A. Taft conceded that there has been a "change" in the political climate since Taft's defeat by Eisenhower in the New Hampshire Republican presidential primary.

"But our basic strength hasn't been disturbed," the Taft spokesman said. "The Eisenhower organization has shown growing confidence as a result of the New Hampshire primary, Eisenhower's startling victory in vote in the Minnesota primary and Taft's withdrawal from the New Jersey primary."

Eisenhower supporters were further encouraged by two developments today: 1. The Washington Post, which has never endorsed a presidential candidate within the memory of its present executives, came out for the nomination and election of Eisenhower as the Republican candidate capable of ridding the country of "political blight and mediocre leadership."

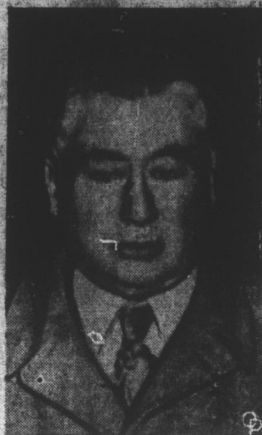
2. Sources close to Eisenhower reported in Paris that the General will make a television report to the American people on April 2 on the progress of his European rearmament mission, and that he probably will return to the United States about May 15 to deliver a series of at least three major speeches.

But Taft supporters pooh-poohed the idea that an Eisenhower bandwagon is beginning to roll.

CLAIMS NEW STRENGTH David S. Ingalls, Taft's campaign manager, said in a formal statement that the Taft camp has a "lot of sound and fury" by the stop-Taft forces. Sen. Taft's position in the race for the Republican nomination has actually been strengthened.

He noted that Taft still holds the lead in convention delegates actually chosen, "and his great strongholds have not been heard from as yet."

EDGECRE DENIES DEAL Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. (R-Mass.), Eisenhower campaign manager, denied in a television interview that Eisenhower forces have made a "deal" to throw their support to Gov. Earl Warren of California in the Wisconsin primary.



JAMES F. FINNEGAN

Finnegan Fined, Given Two Years

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (AP) - James F. Finnegan, former internal revenue collector here and onetime political crony of President Truman, today was sentenced to two years in prison and fined \$10,000 for misconduct in office.

Sentence was imposed by Federal Judge Rabey M. Hulen who denounced him for his "activities contrary to the public interest." Hulen turned down a plea for a new trial, but the conviction will be appealed.

Board Expected To Appoint Lee

County Commissioners will select a new recorder's court judge this afternoon to serve till the Fall elections take place. The commissioners who are holding a meeting today were informed by County Attorney W. A. Johnson that the group will have to select one to serve till Fall under state law.

The commissioners were under the impression that Vice Recorder M. O. Lee would take over the vacancy but Johnson told the group that they would have to select a judge to take the late Percy Taylor's place, as there is a state law that the vice recorder cannot do this.

Bill Umstead Here Thursday

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Hubert E. Olive and William B. Umstead will carry their campaigns to various parts of the state this week.

Olive will make a television appearance in Greensboro Wednesday night, the first TV appearance of the current campaign.

Olive will speak at Archdale tonight and at Burlington tomorrow night.

Umstead opens his speaking for the week tomorrow night at Fairmont. He will speak at Dunn on Thursday night and in Mooresville Friday.

Olive will be in Asheville Thursday night. He plans to fly across the state to Wilmington Friday.

Both candidates will be in Wilmington Saturday for the Asalee Festival parade.

Recovery Of Japan Cited As Miracle

A prominent North Carolina Baptist minister who recently returned from a preaching mission to Japan told Dunn Rotarians Friday night "the amazing recovery of Japan" was the miracle of the world and declared that Japan is "America's one hope to friendship" in that section of the world.

The speaker was the Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Henderson, a former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dunn and a prominent leader in the State Baptist convention.

"Japan has rebuilt as no other country has ever rebuilt, and with a spirit of democracy," declared Mr. Gardner. "She has rebuilt surely and rapidly."

GIVES MACARTHUR CREDIT The speaker declared that General Douglas MacArthur "wrought a miracle" in leading Japan to her recovery.

He said General MacArthur was "sympathetic but firm" with the Japanese and "helped them find themselves."

The speaker said MacArthur is extremely popular with the people of Japan, that they hold him in almost God-like esteem.

President A. B. Johnson presided over the meeting. Rotarian Hoover Adams had charge of the program and the speaker was introduced by (Continued On Page Two)

Ciccone Now With Fowler Radio Co.

Johnnie Ciccone has resigned as advertising manager of The Daily Record to enter business for himself.

Patrolmen Have Busy Weekend

There were four wrecks Sunday and one wreck Saturday to keep the Highway Patrolmen busy over the week-end in the vicinity of Lillington.

Orie D. Crabtree, 23, Fort Bragg soldier is hospitalized with chest injuries after overturning his car early Sunday morning in a country road near Lillington.

Information received by R. B. Leonard of the Highway patrol was that Crabtree ran off the road to avoid a head-on collision with an oncoming car. After the wreck the soldier was able to go some distance seeking someone to carry him to the hospital. Investigation will continue into the wreck.

Wet, slippery pavement caused the wreck on Sunday at 4 p.m. on Highway 421 five miles west of Lillington. A '46 Chevrolet going east and driven by Michael D. Ellis, 23, of Camp Lejeune skidded on the pavement, ran off the road on the right side and overturned. Billy B. Darnelle, another marine passenger, received cuts on the head. Damage was estimated at \$500.

Earlier Sunday 12 miles north of Lillington on Highway 15A, a Negro woman overturned car after the tire blew out. The '47 Dodge sedan traveling north and driven by Carrie McCoy Harris, 32, owned by Cleveland Harris of Lillington. No one was injured but considerable damage was done to the car.

Saturday, around 11:30 a.m. near Spring Lake, Willie James Moore, a Burlington textile worker, driving with his wife and son overturned his car, a '49 Buick on N. C. 87. Patrolman stated that Moore told them that he fell asleep for a moment and ran off the road.

Tire marks showed that the car traveled around 15 feet off the pavement, overturned and rolled fifty feet up the highway. Moore's wife was thrown clear of the car, the boy suffered facial cuts and was admitted to Highsmith Hospital, Fayetteville.

The curve on which the accident happened is the same one that Lemuel Cromartie lost his life on two months ago.

Contests Develop For State Offices

RALEIGH (AP) - The completed list of candidates for Congress and state offices showed today three-way races among Democrats for governor and two seats in Congress, a four-way party contest for lieutenant governorship, and a six-way bout for one seat on the State Supreme Court.

Two Democrats seek nomination to each of the seven seats in Congress and one state office. But nine holders of state offices and three congressmen have won the Democratic nomination without opposition.

A surprise contest among Republicans developed among William C. Lehigh of Raleigh filed Saturday for lieutenant governor opposing fellow GOP member Warren H. Pritchard of Spruce Pine, nominated at the state party convention.

A Republican primary for the post will be held at the same time the Democrats hold their primary May 31st.

THREE FOR LT. GOVERNOR The race for the Democratic nomination for governor remains a three-way contest between Hubert E. Olive of Lexington, William B. Umstead of Durham, and Manley R. Dunaway of Charlotte.

Democrats vying for nomination as lieutenant governor are Roy Rouse of Burgaw, Marshall Kestee of Winston-Salem, Luther Hodges of Leaksville and Ben J. McDonald of Wilmington.

The last-minute filing of G. Mark Goforth of Lenoir Saturday posed a triple contest for the congressional post to be vacated by the resignation of (Continued On Page Two)

Aunt Recognizes Her Nephew In Record Ad

Mrs. Mattie Washburn looked twice and then broke out into a proud smile when she saw the picture of a handsome young man modeling a suit in the fashion section of the Daily Record.

The young man showed in the model photo was her nephew, Tom Walker, 35, of New York City, who's well known in Dunn.

Mr. Walker's picture was released by a fashion advertising service. "I'd recognize him anywhere," declared the proud aunt. "He's a handsome boy, and he's a nice boy, too."

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BULLETINS

NEW YORK (AP) - Soprano Kirsten Flagstad gave her last American concert at Carnegie Hall yesterday and a capacity audience shouted and applauded for 26 minutes.

She will make two more appearances in "Alceste" at the Metropolitan and, barring a possible appearance at the Paris Music Festival next May, will retire from public performances.

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - Eisenhower-for-president backers readied plans today to stump Kentucky in an effort to win the state's GOP delegation to the national convention.

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) - Myron Kinley Internationally known singer of all well known, set for Columbia, Italy, today a part out a mail line. It will be the first all well known singer.

MARKETS

EGGS AND POULTRY RALEIGH (AP) - Today's egg and live poultry markets: Central North Carolina live poultry: Fryers and broilers steady, supplies adequate to plentiful. Heavy hens about steady, supplies adequate to plentiful. Prices paid producers FOB farm: Fryers and broilers 24, heavy hens 25-26, mostly 25.

Eggs: Steady, supplies plentiful, demand fair. Prices paid producers (Continued on Page Two)

Judge Knows Staff NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) - A lawyer argued, "You've got to grant my motion. I made the same one last year and you approved it." Begged Federal Judge Carroll C. Higgins. "Are you trying to imply, Sir, that I have harmed nothing in a year?" Motion denied.