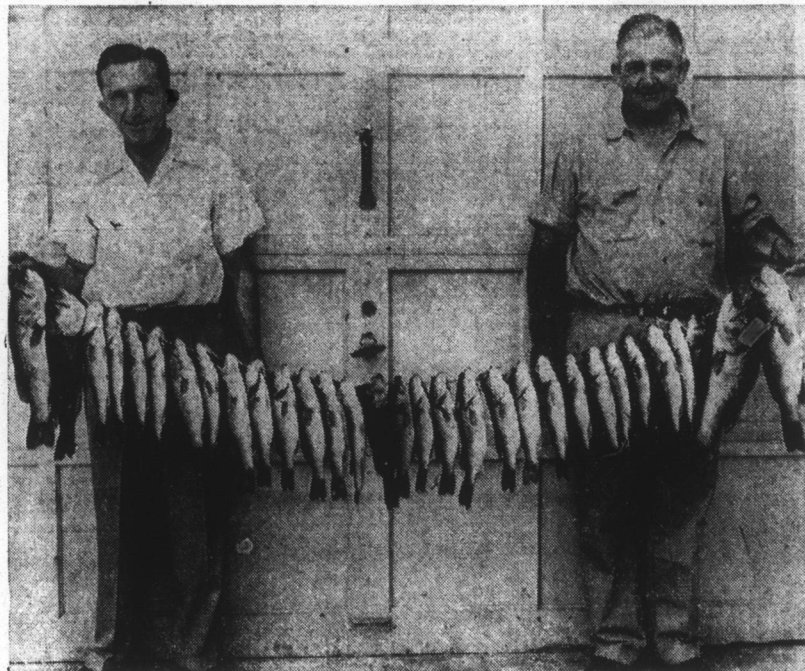


NORTH CAROLINA — Mostly fair, and not much change in temperatures today, tonight and Wednesday.

Russell Leads Kefauver In First Returns

MIAMI (AP) — Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) led Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn) in the first two precinct reporting their vote in Florida's election of Democratic convention delegates today.

Six Nations Have Signed Defense Treaty



RECORD CATCH BY DUNN FISHERMAN — Pictured are C. W. Galbraith, left and Pat Lynch, right, with a catch of fish that nearly set a record for Poplar Branch. Together with Coleman Pridgen, they spent a day there and came in with the string shown the largest of which weighed about three and a quarter pounds. All three admit they enjoyed one of their best days of fishing recently. (Daily Record photo).

Truman Whistle Stop Campaign Rolling Along

Washington (AP) — President Truman's 'whistle stop' campaign rolled right along today—right here in Washington.

True, the train smoke is missing. But Mr. Truman's spontaneous speeches are increasingly plentiful as he rambles from the White House rose garden to various banquet halls about the city, giving his enemies particular hell.

Yesterday morning, he said "there is no such thing as corruption in the government, and belabored the private power 'monopoly' for 'democracy' and in cold blood setting out to poison the minds of the people."

HITS ECONOMY BLOC — Last night, his target was the economy bloc in the House. He said representatives who voted the big cut in mutual security funds last week were "endangering the lives of American boys."

He also said the "foolish, reckless" house-approved \$46,000,000 limit on defense expenditures "may require us—in this hour of peril—to demobilize a substantial part of our armed forces."

These tactics, the President told his evening audience, were typical of "some people who would rather embarrass the White House than checkmate the Kremlin."

Although strongly worded, Mr. Truman's speeches yesterday—to the Electric Consumers Conference and a banquet given by the Jewish National Fund of America—were typical of the burning senatorial pace he has been following recently.

16 TALKS THIS MONTH — This month alone, Mr. Truman has made 16 talks, and in most of them he has had something poor to say about his opposition. His most frequent targets have been elements in Congress, seeking cut his spending program substantially.

The President says repeatedly—he said it twice yesterday—that he is "going to go out" on a "whistle stop" campaign. Pending an extensive trip, however, he is hard at work within the city limits.

IN BAD TOO OFTEN — MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Police have arrested Gordon Whittitt 257 times by his own count. The 53-year-old Whittitt, in city court for the second time in two days, figured up his string of arrests and asked the judge for leniency. He drew the maximum fine.

Panty Raid Flops At Campbell

An incipient panty raid at Campbell College last night failed to materialize, when a group of male students, who had made a gesture in the direction of staging a raid on the girls' dormitory thought better of the idea.

The idea of the raid was touched off by a power failure, during which the lights on the campus were off for about half an hour. The power went off when an automobile ran into a guy wire supporting a pole. The wires came together and the short circuit threw out the protective circuit breaker on a portion of the Carolina Power and Light Company's lines.

STOPPED QUICKLY — The lines were quickly cleared, but in the meantime a group of boys had determined to make the raid. College officials, however, anticipating such action, were around the grounds and, under their vigilant eyes, no such attempt was made.

"A panty raid would be so unoriginal," Dean A. R. Burkot remarked today. "I think our boys are intelligent enough to originate something on their own, without imitating the actions of other colleges."

CITES ENTHUSIASM — "The thing that has impressed us," he said, "is the enthusiasm of the rank-and-file citizen for Judge Olive and the splendid manner in which they are volunteering their services. There are no paid workers in our group. All of us are just men and women interested in good government and in electing the best man for governor."

"It is now increasingly apparent," he added, "that North Carolina is going to give Judge Olive a big majority on Saturday, and we certainly want Harnett to go along with the rest of the State."

Olive Forces Assert He'll Carry Harnett

Key workers and supporters of gubernatorial Candidate Hubert E. Olive gathered here last night from every section of the county to map final strategy for the campaign in Harnett.

Fred Byerly, prominent Dunn insurance man and spokesman for the group, reported this morning after the meeting that, "We are extremely well pleased with the progress of Judge Olive's campaign and we feel confident that Harnett will join the rest of the state in giving him a tremendous majority."

Many prominent business, civic and professional leaders from practically every community in the county were present for the meeting.

"As everybody knows, when the campaign opened Mr. Umstead was way out in front in Harnett," pointed out Mr. Byerly this morning, "and for that reason we are particularly well pleased to be able to report that Judge Olive now appears ahead in every single precinct in the county."

Before last night's meeting, a canvass and survey was made in every township and "except for one or two weak spots, everything is in fine shape for Judge Olive," declared Byerly.

At the request of defense attorney E. L. Doffmeyer, Judge Strickland continued prayer for judgment until June 16. When Judge Strickland told the attorney he was going to find the defendant guilty, Doffmeyer remarked, "I knew that when I started out," and drew a rebuke from the court.

Charges of assault against Joseph A. Godwin were not pressed. A capias was issued for George H. Wilson, who was called and failed to appear to answer charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Jesse Primrose Bryant and Lars A. Larsen, were each taxed costs with prayer for judgment continued 6 months on speeding charges. Agnes Matthews Edwards and Helen Lee were each fined \$25 and costs with prayer for judgment continued 6 months for having no operators licenses. They were warned not to drive again without securing licenses.

Nell Spencer was very nearly (Continued On Page Two)

James Marvin Tart Ends His Own Life

James Marvin Tart, 34, of Benson, Route 2, died as the result of a self-inflicted wound with a .32 calibre pistol. He shot himself to death last night. He had been in ill health for some time and this was the reason ascribed for his suicide.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday afternoon from the Holly Grove Advent Church. Burial will follow in the Tart family cemetery. Officiating will be Rev. J. W. Smith, assisted by Rev. Mack McLamb and Rev. J. L. Lentz.

Ridgway Takes New Command

PARIS (AP) — Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway arrived today to assume command of the Allied armies of Western Europe, and said at once that a Russian attack is possible. Ridgway, the first United States general to land in France with the liberation armies of World War II, came back to assume the command which Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is giving up.

At a press conference he was asked if there is a chance of a Soviet attack on Western Europe. (Continued On Page Two)

Operetta Scheduled For Thursday Night

Miss Evelyn Gainey, a member of the Dunn Little Theater and who recently appeared in their recent production "Claudia" was in Goldsboro on Sunday evening, May 25 to review the forthcoming musical to be given in the Dunn High School Auditorium this coming Thursday evening, May 29 at 8 o'clock. The musical is an operetta based on the music of Stephen C. Foster.

In a statement made public this (Continued on page two)

Leaving Was Mistake Geech Stephens Says

"I reckon I made a bad mistake by running away," admitted Charlie (Geech) Stephens, in his cell in Dunn City Jail this morning. He had just been returned from New York City, whence he fled immediately after the shot-gun slaying of Carl McNeill.

Stephens told Dunn officers that he saw the lights of his car when they came to his house after him on the night of the slaying. "I burned up that cotton patch getting away," he said.

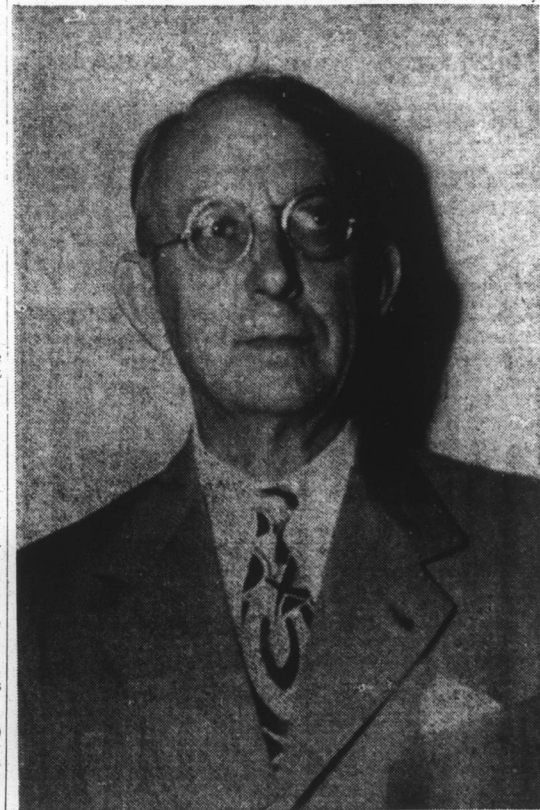
He maintains that the slain Negro youth had a pistol in his hand and that the shot-gun slaying was in self-defense. However, he fears that the witnesses who could have testified in his defense have scattered and will not be found now.

Geech arrived in New York three days after the Christmas eve slaying two years ago, and has been living quietly in the Bronx ever since. If he had not been arrested for his part in an affray, he might have still remained at liberty.

"I didn't hit that gal with a bottle until she hit me first," he said, referring to the reason for his encounter with New York law. "I thought when they took my fingerprints, I was sunk, but nobody said anything, so I went on home. It was two days after his release that New York detectives re-arrested him for the Dunn slaying."

DENIES IDENTITY — At his preliminary arraignment Monday in New York City, Geech had denied that he was the person wanted in Dunn. He declared his name was Charlie Douglas and that he had never lived here.

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JUDGE OSCAR EFIRD

Efirid Predicts Win In First Primary

Judge Oscar O. Efirid of Winston-Salem, candidate for the State Supreme Court, today took full credit for the fact that there are now five candidates for the State's highest tribunal and recalled that he was the first man ever dared challenge a Supreme Court Justice in a primary.

"I guess I might be called sort of a trail-blazer," laughed Judge Efirid. "I broke the ice two years ago and now it seems there is no shortage of candidates."

"But," he added, "it seems to me that the man who broke the horse ought to be given an opportunity to ride him."

Judge Efirid, who has served as lawyer, teacher and judge, has a distinguished record in each of these fields.

And, although it might be beneath the dignity of a judge to admit it, he's a first-rate politician.

POLLED BIG VOTE — When he ran for the State Supreme Court in 1950 against Associate Justice Denny, he polled a total of more than 180,000 votes, which was over 33,000 votes more than nominated Governor Broughton in 1940, and just 4,188 votes less than nominated Governor Cherry in 1944.

"And I'm happy to tell you," said Judge Efirid this morning, "that I've never seen anything like the enthusiasm being demonstrated in my behalf all over the State. I predict without reservation that I'll get the nomination in the first primary."

Judge Efirid was particularly happy to be in Harnett and dropped by for a visit with two of his former students at the University of North Carolina, State Senator J. Robert (Bob) Young and Judge Mack M. Jernigan.

Judge Efirid is proud of his many former students and the records they have made for themselves.

TAUGHT SEVERAL STUDENTS — Among those he taught were: Judge Leo Carr of Burlington, Judge Henry Stevens of Warsaw, Congressman Graham Barden, and Congressman F. Eitel Carlyle of this district.

"But, please," he insisted, "I'm not getting involved in this congressional race."

Wherever he goes, Judge Efirid is greeted by old friends and former students.

"Even if I should fail to get elected—and I have no doubt but what I will win—I'm havin a wonderful time calling on all my old friends and making new ones all over the State."

Judge Efirid left Harnett this afternoon for a tour of Cumberland, Sampson and Duplin counties.

Mr. Efirid who is 50 years of age graduated from Roanoke College with an A. B. degree, and did graduate work in history and economics at Princeton University where he received a M.A. degree in 1912. He studied law at the University of North Carolina and at Harvard.

BULLETINS

NEW YORK (AP) — McKesson and Robbins, Inc., one of the nation's largest drug wholesalers, was charged with illegal price fixing today in a complaint filed by the government in federal court.

DES MOINES, Ia. (AP) — Johnny Bright, all-American Negro halfback, admitted after graduation from Drake University yesterday that he was the father of an illegitimate nine-months-old boy.

Dunn Girl Receives Honors At Queens

Miss Jacqueline Johnson, popular Dunn girl, has recently received two outstanding honors at Queens College in Charlotte, where she is a member of the sophomore class.

A few weeks ago, Miss Johnson was elected president of the Pan Hellenic Student Council, which is the highest honor a student can attain at the college.

Miss Johnson served as chairman of the committees in charge of decorations for all of the social events held in connection with the installation of Dr. C. C. Jernigan as president of the college. She directed more than 40 girls in this project.

OUTSTANDING RECORD — The Dunn girl has made an outstanding record throughout her high school and college career. At the Dunn High School, she graduated with exceptionally high honors and was chosen for the DAR Good (Continued on Page Two)



MISS JOHNSON