

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA - Partly cloudy and a little warmer west. Considerable cloudiness and scattered showers and thunderstorms east portion today. Rain, ending by late afternoon. Mostly fair and mild tonight.

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FAIR DEALERS BOLT CONVENTION



CARRYING AN EFFIGY of the party emblem, Fair Deal Democrats raise placards high as they walk out of the Texas State Democratic Convention at San Antonio. The meeting split into two factions and fist fights broke out when it came to approving a pledge that delegates support the party candidate no matter what candidate is chosen at the coming national convention in Chicago. (International Soundphoto)

Heavy Vote Is Predicted Tomorrow

Barkley Sixth Democrat Out For President

WASHINGTON (AP) - Vice President Alben W. Barkley's formal entry into the presidential race gave the Democrats six announced candidates today for their free-for-all national convention. First ballot votes also will be cast at Chicago for several favorite son candidates. The 1,230 votes will be so divided at the outset that no candidate will have more than about a fourth of the total. Many Democrats believed a deadlock is a serious prospect. With Barkley announcing that he will not actively seek the nomination, his friends regard him as a strong compromise possibility who could benefit from a stalemate. The 74-year-old vice president said yesterday he would not campaign for the nomination but would accept it if it were offered to him. Democrats generally had counted him an available candidate since President Truman announced he would not run for reelection. The other announced Democratic candidates are Sens. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, Richard B. Russell of Georgia, Brien McMahon of Connecticut and Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma and Mutual Security Director W. Averell Harriman.

Sounds Warning



ELDER STATESMAN Bernard Baruch tells legislators in Washington that the gap between lagging American defenses and Russia's "terrifying" military strength must be closed "before peace can become possible." Testifying before the Senate Preparedness Committee, he said that the nation's mobilization program "may fall to pieces" if a let-up is allowed while "waiting for the next crisis to hit us." (International)

Polling Places Will Be Open 6:30 To 6:30

By LOUIS DEARBORN Record Staff Writer Upwards of 6,000 Harnett County Democrats are expected to go to the polls Saturday to nominate local, county and State officials to climax a campaign that got off to a slow start but has picked up momentum. The polls will be open in the county's 21 precincts from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m., and County Elections Chairman Douglald McRae said today that everything is in readiness. Mr. McRae expressed belief that the vote will be heavy. Harnett ordinarily votes about 5,500 in its Democratic primaries. Nomination is usually tantamount to election in this overwhelmingly Democratic county.

Manning Asserts Officials Should Lay Aside Politics

City Manager Oliver O. Manning, whose firing by the city council was announced earlier this week, today suggested that council members rise above "petty politics and personalities" and move forward with the business of building a better town and community. The city official, who must leave office not later than June 15, blamed "a small pressure group" for his ouster, but said he frankly didn't know the members of the group. He said it was unfortunate that the city councilmen had to let the pressure group sway them into doing something hasty and taking action which they might regret later. "They've taken little minor issues and irritations and built them up," said Manning. "I thought they ought to use some good, common judgment."

"This is my town," he continued, "I love Dunn, and I'm going to fight for what's right because I'm going to raise my children here. I want them to have a good town and a good community in which to grow up and live. Mr. Manning was undecided today whether or not he'll state his case to the people at a big mass meeting of citizens scheduled for Monday night at 7 o'clock. "I really don't have anything to say," he declared. "The board took its action and there's nothing left for me to say. He said it was possible, however, that he might change his mind and have a few remarks to enlighten the citizens at the mass meeting Monday night. "Somehow," he added, "I just don't think all that talking does a lot of good." Reports persisted today, however, that a large delegation will be on hand Monday night to demand of the council its reasons for firing Manning. Indications point to a record crowd. So much interest has been manifested in the current uproar that a citizen telephoned The Daily Record this morning and suggested "a way to help pay off the town's indebtedness."

could hold the meeting in the ball park and sell tickets at a premium. They wouldn't have any trouble selling 'em at any price, either," suggested the caller, who asked to remain anonymous. Mr. Manning reiterated this morning that he had been given no reason and knew of no reason why he should have been asked to resign. "I have done everything the board ever instructed me to do," he said. "I have carried out every single order. Whatever I did was done because the board wanted it done." He said this also applies to the firing of Police Chief George Arthur Jackson after 28 years of continuous service. "COUNCIL WANTED IT "It's true," said Manning, "that the city council didn't hold a formal meeting and formally request me to fire Jackson. But they let me know they wanted it done and I knew in doing it that I was carrying out the wishes of the board." He indicated that he would not have done so if the board had not let him know its wishes. Manning said he was advised when he first took office—in fact, that he had read it in the papers—that the board wanted Jackson fired. "But I wouldn't fire him until I had made up my own mind," commented (Continued On Page Three)

Olive, Umstead Ending Campaign

RALEIGH (AP) - William B. Umstead and Hubert E. Olive, principals in a three-way race, close out their campaigns for the Democratic nomination for governor tonight and await the decision of 500,000 Tar Heel Democrats in tomorrow's primary. The race for governor highlights a long list of races, ranging from a seat on the Supreme Court to constable to be decided at the polls tomorrow. But with no national issues or candidates involved, the primaries have attracted little attention outside the state. There are nine contests for Congress with North Carolina certain to get at least two new representatives in November. Several other congressional races have incumbent Democrats facing stiff opposition. In addition to Umstead, Olive and Charlotte real estate man Manly Dunaway on the gubernatorial ballot, there is a four-way race for the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor and a two-way race for the GOP nomination for the same post.

Carlyle And Tally In Final Appeals

Congressman F. Ertel Carlyle, predicting that he will receive the biggest majority tomorrow in his entire political career, said today that he is confident the citizens of the Seventh District "aren't going to turn their representation over to the CIO bosses." "Until recently," declared Congressman Carlyle, "the people of the district weren't aware of the fact that the campaign against me is being conducted by those who want a puppet instead of a man who will stand on his own feet." OFFENSES REGIMENTATION "My record is good," he said. "The people have seen fit to endorse my record in previous elections. The only opposition to me now is comm- (Continued On Page Three)

Ten Couples Seek Divorce In Harnett

Judge William T. Hatch of Raleigh is scheduled to preside over a two weeks term of Harnett Civil Court which will convene June 9. This will be the final session of the spring term of Harnett Superior Court. The next term will be criminal, to start the first week in September. Acting Clerk Elizabeth Matthews has listed 57 hearings for trial, including ten divorce actions which head the calendar. Following is the calendar for the term: MONDAY, JUNE 9 Divorce Actions Mildred F. Lawrence vs. Samuel Lawrence; W. T. Sauls vs. Ila S. Sauls; Geneva Anny Pittman vs. Elmer Pittman; Clara Eliza Flippo vs. Francis Wood Flippo; Martha N. Calhoun vs. Donald Leroy Calhoun; Ruby Warren Tew vs. R. Jethro Tew; Jacquelyn Lucas White vs. Jack J. White Jr.; Lilla Jackson Strickland vs. John Strickland; Margaret L. Sawyer Crymes vs. Howard J. Crymes; Eli Roy Bell vs. Ruth Moberly Bell. MOTION DOCKET Janet L. Stewart vs. Thomas O. Stewart; Durwood A. Young vs. Josephine S. Young; Malcolm Cameron vs. Jessie Ruth Cameron; Gene Wall et al vs. J. L. Wicker et al; Ruby W. Long vs. Jeter Clark et al; L. M. McDonald et al vs. James A. Wilson et al. TRIAL DOCKET R. G. Johnson et al vs. R. E. (Roy) Matthews; G. J. Hodges vs. Maude E. Hodges; Malcolm Cameron vs. Jessie Ruth Cameron. TUESDAY, JUNE 10 E. O. Nordan vs. J. P. Gardner et al; John F. Scarborough, by his next friend vs. N. V. Stephenson; Gladys Odell Surles vs. Norfolk Southern Railway Co. et al; James F. Surles vs. Norfolk Southern Railway Co. et al. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11 Lonnie Taylor vs. R. S. Smith; Jessie Mae Strickland Blackwell, by (Continued on Page Six)

Hooded Party Raiders Fail At Campbell

The second attempted party raid on the girls' dormitory by some 50 to 75 boys last night, failed to materialize when the boys spotted two officials of the college and the Student Council President watching the dormitory from the shadows. The boys, their heads covered with hoods, made from tee shirts, with holes cut for the eyes, were converging on their objective when Dean A. R. Burkot, Coach Hargrove Davis and Student Council President Tom Register were spotted. The group scattered and made their way back to their own quarters, but leaders expressed the determination to stage another party raid or similar event during the final seven days of school. Hardy Johnson, vice president of Local 250 Erwin mill workers, which bolted from CIO to AFL two weeks ago issued a statement here saying, "I am completely disillusioned at the tactics and lack of democracy of Lewis M. Conn and the handful of leaders who engineered the switch from CIO to A. F. L." Johnson's statement continued, "I attended a meeting of the Erwin Chain Council here yesterday. Its proceedings were a perfect example of dictatorship in action. I was a delegate to the TWUA-CIO con-

Mrs. Young Says She Will Serve Her Entire Term

Mrs. Hazel Young, candidate for Dunn city judge, charged today that somebody has done her a grave injustice by spreading the false report that she wouldn't serve out a full term if elected. "If I didn't want very much to serve the citizens of Averasboro as judge, I wouldn't be running for the office and I can assure (Continued On Page Three)

Erwin Union Leader Scores AFL Tactics

A Vice-President of Local Union 250 of Erwin, and one of the delegates to the convention in Cleveland, who joined in the disaffiliation movement, confessed this morning that he was disillusioned by the tactics of the leaders who led the bolt to the AFL, which he joined. He warns Erwin workers that the democratic principles are now in danger. Hardy Johnson, vice president of Local 250 Erwin mill workers, which bolted from CIO to AFL two weeks ago issued a statement here saying, "I am completely disillusioned at the tactics and lack of democracy of Lewis M. Conn and the handful of leaders who engineered the switch from CIO to A. F. L." Johnson's statement continued, "I attended a meeting of the Erwin Chain Council here yesterday. Its proceedings were a perfect example of dictatorship in action. I was a delegate to the TWUA-CIO con-

Miss Julie Beard of Erwin, student nurse at Watts Hospital in Durham, who has been chosen as one of the representatives of that hospital for the convention of the National Nurses Association at Atlantic City from June 16 to 26. Nurses at the hospital gave a square dance last Friday night to raise money to partly defray the trip expenses. Miss Beard is a Junior in the Hospital's School of Nursing.

Hot Race For Congress

Principal interest in tomorrow's voting lies in the races for Governor and Congressman. Supporters of all candidates today issued last-minute predictions of victory. Candidates to be nominated include a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, a Judge of the Supreme Court, a Congressman and a host of county officials. Probably tops in interest is the three-way race for Governor between former Senator William B. Umstead of Durham, Hubert E. Olive of Lexington and Manly D. Dunham of Charlotte. Four candidates are offered to choose from for the post of Lieutenant Governor, Luther Hodges, Marshall Kurfess, Ben J. McDonald and Roy Rowe. Three names will appear on the ballot in the state for Congressman: Seventh Congressional District, F. Ertel Carlyle, incumbent; J. O. Talley, Jr., of Fayetteville and Ernest Mayhan of Wilmington. Six men are running for the post of Judge of the Supreme Court, I. T. Valentine of Nashville, the incumbent, William H. Bobbitt, Oscar O. Eiford, Allen G. Gwynn, R. Hunt Parker and F. Donald Phillips. Waldo C. Cheek, the incumbent, is opposed in the race for Com- (Continued On Page Six)

City Commissioner Leaks Coats' Statement Denying Resignation

City Commissioner Leaks Coats' statement denying that he voted to request the resignation of City Manager Oliver O. Manning and pledged his full support to the ousted city manager. Mayor Ralph E. Hanna and other members of the council, when told of Coats' statement, promptly contradicted him and declared emphatically that he voted for Manning's resignation. In his statement, Mr. Coats explained that at the meeting he did not oppose "the unofficial action of our board in sending the letter requesting his resignation" but said he did not vote in favor of it. APOLGIZES TO MANNING He said in the statement that he now realizes his mistake and added, "I apologize publicly to Mr. Manning for being a 'politician' who vessed at his expense and at the expense of citizens who rightfully wonder when political plums or personal grudges or pressure groups cease to be the determining factor in our mutual welfare." Coats said he is willing to "stand behind him (Manning) and support him until evidence of inefficiency or dishonesty is shown to justify a reversal of this stand." He also challenged other members of the board to "let's get and give reasons to oust Manning or be men enough to rescind this unofficial action officially and to back him up with cooperative effort."

COATS' STATEMENT

Following is the complete text of Mr. Coats' statement: To The Citizens of Dunn: I didn't vote for requesting Mr. Manning's resignation nor have I voted to dismiss him from his duties as City Manager of our town. I'll have to admit I did not oppose the unofficial action of our board in sending the letter requesting his resignation. You could say I agreed to let the sentiments of some prevent my making an issue of what seemed a determined course of action. But because it has become a public issue, and to answer criticism and clarify any misgivings I wish to let you know why I "agreed" and also why I am not only willing but desirous to rescind my (Continued On Page Six)

Coats Denies Voting To Fire Manning; Others Say He Did

nothing against the man. I felt that if we can't support and work with any man, it might be best to let him go and hope to find one that would complete a team. That was my mistake. I realize now that if I need to be should stand alone to defend a man—at least consider reasons why he needs replacing—and to give the man ample opportunity to defend himself. You who are familiar with the letter in question know that NONE of us stood by him or his own rights. I apologize publicly to Mr. Manning for being a "politician" who "vessed" at his expense and at the expense of citizens who rightfully wonder when political plums, or personal grudges or pressure groups cease to be the determining factor in our mutual welfare. Until we can officially cite reasons for inefficiency or dishonesty in any public servant, and listen honestly to (Continued On Page Three)

"weak" position and endorse and support the man. At this meeting called for the purpose of "putting the skids" under Manning, let me remind you of its unofficial nature by saying no clerk was present and no minutes recorded. As I listened to the discussion which led to the letter, I recall that it was not criticism of his work and that no reasons were given that would warrant a dismissal—just a get-together or huddle, to accomplish what apparently was the desire of some. (You are now familiar with the way "politicians" operate—the unofficial thinking and acting being accepted as a prescribed routine—and let the public always wonder what the real motives or reasons were for this or that. A study of the letter will bear this out.) As I "went along" at the meeting I felt that if it were put to a vote I'd be forced to vote against it because I had

nothing against the man. I felt that if we can't support and work with any man, it might be best to let him go and hope to find one that would complete a team. That was my mistake. I realize now that if I need to be should stand alone to defend a man—at least consider reasons why he needs replacing—and to give the man ample opportunity to defend himself. You who are familiar with the letter in question know that NONE of us stood by him or his own rights. I apologize publicly to Mr. Manning for being a "politician" who "vessed" at his expense and at the expense of citizens who rightfully wonder when political plums, or personal grudges or pressure groups cease to be the determining factor in our mutual welfare. Until we can officially cite reasons for inefficiency or dishonesty in any public servant, and listen honestly to (Continued On Page Three)

Operetta Proves Big Success Here

The musical "An Old Kentucky Garden" an operetta in two acts based on the music of Stephen C. Foster was received with distinctive enthusiasm by a sizeable audience at last night's performance at the Dunn High School Auditorium. The choral numbers and the individual numbers received ovations throughout the entire operetta. The operetta was presented by the St. Mary's Dramatic Club of Goldsboro under the direction of Sister Mary Josefa, of the Order of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Miss Rosette Farfour of Goldsboro accompanied at the piano. BISHOP WATERS PRESENT In the audience were found many distinguished people from the (Continued On Page Three)

Town of Dunn and Harnett County who praised the production as a fine musical. Bishop Vincent E. Waters, D. D., Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh was in the audience and was introduced by Father Francis A. McCarthy, Pastor of Sacred Heart Church after the finale. Bishop Waters lauded the efforts of the St. Mary's Dramatic Club for providing an evening of fine entertainment. "In our times," Bishop Waters stated, "it is refreshing to witness wholesome entertainment. When in our day we find so many examples of poor entertainment, it is worthwhile to review a presentation designed as helping to put Christ-

Ike Will Become Civilian On Tuesday

PARIS (AP) - Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower gave up his Allied supreme command today and announced he will take off his uniform Tuesday to "assume the privileges of an American citizen"—obviously including the right to speak freely on politics. Eisenhower formally turned his command over to Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway in a ceremony on the lawn of supreme headquarters and prepared to fly to Washington tomorrow. RETIRES TOMORROW He said at a final press conference that his retirement from active duty became effective tomor-

row. Arriving in Washington Sunday, he will spend Monday and Tuesday reporting to American and military authorities and on Tuesday night I will take off my uniform. "Then I will assume the privileges of an American citizen," he said. Those privileges naturally include the right to campaign for Republican presidential nomination in 1952. With the issue of the 14th Atlantic Treaty Organization crisis rising, Eisenhower turned over the command to Ridgway to head off supreme headquarters at that moment.

BULLETINS

WASHINGTON (AP) - Russia's build up of long-range air power and its growing atomic stockpile are "the most ominous threat" ever faced by America, according to Gen. Nathan F. Twining, acting Air Force chief of staff. BERLIN (AP) - East Germans barricaded at least six roads running between Western Berlin and the Soviet zone of Germany today in a further Communist effort to seal off Allied-occupied sectors of the city. WASHINGTON (AP) - Advocates of "atomic firepower unlimited" endorsed President Truman's \$4,200,000,000 atomic expansion program today but suggested that it isn't big enough. ITHACO, N. Y. (AP) - Cornell University barred 25 students from the campus to re year today for setting a broadcasting station and announcing that Russian planes had bombed France and England. NEWARK, N. J. (AP) - A truck driver's wife confessed she strangled her neighbor's four-year-old girl while try- (Continued On Page Three)