

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA — Partly cloudy and not much change in temperature today, tonight and Saturday with scattered thunder showers mostly in late afternoon or early evening.

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Bill To Guard Cotton Price Now In Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House-passed bill to protect cotton growers from skidding prices if they meet the government's production goal got a divided reception in the Senate today.

The bill would raise price supports for the 1952 crop more than 10 percent, but only if the 16,000,000 bale crop requested by the government is harvested of officially forecast in crop reports this year.

It passed the House on a 156 to 62 standing vote yesterday.

Sen. Olin D. Johnston (D-SC), a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, promised to press for early Senate consideration of the bill.

"I'm for anything that will increase or stabilize the price of cotton," he said.

SEN. ALKEN AGAINST IT — But Sen. George D. Aiken, (Vt.), ranking GOP member of the committee, told a reporter.

"I don't see why we should single out cotton for price support adjustments. If we open the gates we'll find producers of all other basic crops asking for changes."

Cotton prices now are running 15 per cent above the present support level. Cotton state lawmakers fear prices will fall to the support level if growers produce the big crop which the government requested to build up reserve stocks for possible future defense needs.

In recommending the measure, the House Agriculture Committee estimated it would provide an increase of 35 cents a pound in the support level. But Agriculture Department officials said the committee's figures were out of date and the increase would amount to 43 cents.

Prospects now are that grower prices will be supported at about 31 cents per pound under present law. Thus, a 43 cent boost would raise supports above 35 cents. Grower prices now average about 25 cents.

Bank Bandits Get Sentence

GREENSBORO — Seven men who entered guilty pleas to charges growing out of the holdup of a Leaksville bank April 17 received sentences ranging from seven to 25 years in federal court here.

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Slayer Executed In Gas Chamber

RALEIGH (AP) — John Andrew Roman died in the state's glass-enclosed gas chamber at Central Prison here today while 22 official witnesses and reporters watched.

The deadly, light-orange gas filled the chamber at 10:05 a.m. and Roman was pronounced dead by a prison official nine minutes later.

The thin, 28-year-old Negro protested his innocence to the last. He refused breakfast this morning, and officials said it was one of the few times a condemned prisoner had turned down a last meal.

MURDERED WIDOW — Roman was convicted of the murder of an elderly Lexington white widow.

Roman, father of four children, (Continued on Page Eight)

Ridgway Issues D-Day Warning To Russia



Here is the opening number from the fourth annual Dance Revue, presented by the George R. Marks Studio of Dance, in the Dunn High School Auditorium tonight at eight o'clock. Pictured left to right: Jan Sorrell of Benson, Mary Mac Hamilton of Dunn, Gloria Allen of Benson, Janice Moff, Nancy Jones and Diane Conn, all of Dunn. (Photo courtesy of Bernadette Hoyle of Smithfield).

Eisenhower Wants To Beat Democrats And Socialism

Benson Club Hears New Manager Speak

"People usually have four major concepts of what a Chamber of Commerce should do," Vincent Daly, Manager of the Benson Chamber of Commerce, told the members of the Benson-Meadow Kiwanis Club. "Some expect it to sell the town and its advantages, others demand that it bring new industry to the area, others want it to secure business for the merchants and still more have a vague idea that it should somehow improve the town."

Mr. Daly, who recently took over the post at the Benson Chamber of Commerce, was guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Benson Chamber of Commerce last night. I think that they are all correct in their demands, but the regular meeting of the Benson Chamber of Commerce was held last night.

Bible Schools Now On In Dunn-Erwin

With 199 on the rolls and an average attendance of 183 for the first four days, the vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church is off to a good start. Classes will be held from 9:00 a.m. until noon concluding June 13.

The program is under the overall direction of Miss Evelyn Straghan, educational director of the church and includes age groups from 4 to 17, with classes for all age groups. Classes and their directors are: beginners 1, Mr. Hawley; beginners 2, Mrs. Herman Green; primary 1, Miss Vera Lee Thornton; primary 2, Mrs. Ralph Maxwell; junior 1, Miss Marie Goodrich; junior 2, Miss S. L. Ligon and in-

New Petitions Slated Asking City Board To Keep Manning

Petitions requesting the retention of City Manager Oliver O. Manning may be put into circulation here early next week.

Already citizens are signing petitions endorsing Mr. Manning's services as city manager and asking him not to resign. The city council has written him a letter requesting that he resign and vacate the office no later than June 15th.

Benny Slaughter, one of the leaders in the movement in behalf of Mr. Manning, said this afternoon that many citizens feel the first petitions are inadequate since they do not request any positive action by the city council.

WANTS REASONS OR REVERSAL — "We'll probably start some new petitions Monday," said Mr. Slaughter, "asking specifically that the city council reverse its earlier decision and keep Mr. Manning in office or give reasons why."

Mr. Slaughter says citizens are indignant over the fact that the board fired Mr. Manning without giving him "any reason whatsoever."

He said the petitions probably would ask the council to state some real, valid reasons why Mr. Man-

Taft To Enter Convention With 150 Lead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Robert A. Taft expects to go into the Republican convention next month with a lead of 150 delegates over Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, his campaign strategists reported today.

Taft is not ready to claim that he will walk off with the GOP presidential nomination on the first ballot. But his managers are supremely confident the crucial opening tally will show him, at worst, only a few votes short of the 604 required for nomination.

They believe it is virtually certain that he will go on from there to pick up enough strength from various "favorite son" nominees to clinch the prize, perhaps on the second or third roll call.

NO FORECAST FROM IKE — Eisenhower backers vehemently dispute this forecast of how the July 7 convention will go.

They do not deny that Taft is leading in convention delegates at the moment, but they are counting on Eisenhower to gain strength rapidly now that he is back home, out of uniform, and actively campaigning.

Sen. Frank Carlson (R-Kan.), director of the national Eisenhower for President headquarters, said the general already had "gained ground" as a result of private talks at Abilene, Kan., yesterday with about 160 delegates from Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Colorado.

Eisenhower headed for New York today for more all-important talks with GOP political delegations.

RECRUITING SUPPORT — His chances for winning the nomination hinge to a large extent on how successful he is in these conferences in recruiting the support of big blocs of now-committed delegates from such states as Michigan and Pennsylvania.

He opened his campaign with a speech Wednesday night and a news conference yesterday in his home town of Abilene. His attacks on "socialism," his taxes, wasteful federal spending and government corruption were greeted by pro-Eisenhower Republicans here as good GOP doctrine.

But Taft asserted that Eisenhower's statements "dealt largely in generalities" and avoided "definite commitments" on various issues.

TAFT MORE OPTIMISTIC — Appearing on the Mutual Broadcasting System radio program, "Reporters Roundup," Taft was asked what effect Eisenhower's return has had on the race.

"I think my chances have improved," Taft replied. In the Democratic presidential race, Sen. Estes Kefauver emerged from a White House conference yesterday to say that he expects President Truman to remain "neutral" in the contest.



IT'S A BEAR'S FOOT — that Weldon Hobbs is holding here. It was found in his front yard by his younger brother, Bobby, after they shot what they believed was a bear Friday night.

They Think It Was A Bear, Got A Foot

Weldon H. Hobbs, his father, Andrew Hobbs and his employee, Frank Wiggins, are thoroughly convinced that the animal, whose eyes they saw shining from the bushes near Black River was a bear. And, although these animals are extremely rare in this section of the state, it may have been.

The three were fishing, close to the Hobbs home near Antioch Church on Black River Friday night, when they heard something in the brush. They turned and saw a pair of eyes shining over the bushes, about 40 or 50 feet away.

It was about ten at night, and quite dark, so they flashed a light on it, but before they could identify the animal, it ran away through the brush.

About ten minutes later, the eyes reappeared in a different spot near a fire. Weldon shot at it with a 22 rifle, and at a range of about fifty yards, he is certain he scored a hit.

TOO HIGH FOR HOG — TOO LOW FOR COW — All three say the eyes appeared about three and a half feet from the ground, too high for the animal to have been a hog and too low for it to have been a stray cow.

They were thoroughly convinced that the eyes they saw belonged to a bear. To lend further credence to their conviction, next morning, Bobby Hobbs, Weldon's younger brother found a foot in their front yard that indubitably came from a bear.

They believe the bear they shot at may have lost the foot in a trap and that one of their dogs found the relic and brought it into the yard. They plan to arrange for a hunt in the section in an effort to kill the animal.

"A bear that has been wounded and has lost a foot, would be a dangerous creature to be at large in this section," Hobbs said, "and should be killed off."

MARKETS

RALEIGH (AP) — Hog market mostly steady. Hillsboro topped at 20.25.

Tarboro, Hamilton, Jacksonville, Beulaville, Kenly, Whiteville, Kirston, Rocky Mount, Florence and Fayetteville: Steady at 20.00.

Siler City, Benson, Elizabethtown and Clinton: Slightly stronger at 20.00.

Mount Olive and Warsaw: Slightly weaker at 19.75.

Dunn, Barrow, Goldsboro, Clarkton, Wilson, Washington, Wilmington, Smithfield and Woodland: Steady at 19.75.

COTTON — NEW YORK (AP) — Cotton futures prices at 1 p. m. EST today: New York July 32.83; Oct. 37.14; New Orleans July 32.80; Oct. 37.18.

Asserts War Move Would Destroy Her

ST. MERE EGLISE, France (AP) — Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway issued a stern warning to Russia today near the spot where he parachuted eight years ago as the first American general to land in the invasion of Europe.

The new Allied supreme commander in Europe said in a speech at the "Utah" invasion beach near here that if the Soviet starts a war Stalin's forces will be destroyed just as Hitler's were.

"I COME TO WAGE PEACE" — "The last time I came here as one of thousands to wage war," Ridgway said. "This time I come to wage peace."

On June 6, 1944, Ridgway jumped with his 82nd Airborne Division behind German lines four hours before H-hour on D-day, in an operation which German generals called the most courageous and daring of the war.

Ridgway said the West was determined to defend itself no matter what the cost.

NOT NATION OF WAR — "We are free peoples, and free peoples do not take counsel of their fears when all that they cherish is at stake," he declared. "We are not now, we never have been and do not intend to be nations that walk with fear."

"If we are long suffering, we are long suffering because we know the illimitable reservoirs of our own strength and because we seek by every honorable means to avoid that ultimate horror, war, which proves nothing, which settles nothing and which is barren to the victor as to the vanquished."

Record Story Is Means Of Getting Boy Wheel Chair

Although the story of the plight of Bennie McBride, crippled by muscular dystrophy and in need of a wheel chair only appeared in yesterday's Record, arrangements have already been made to take care of the unfortunate Negro boy.

Bennie will be supplied with the needed wheel chair by the Godwin Building and Supply Company, and the company is also arranging to build a ramp for the porch of the McBride home, so that the youth will be able to get in and out of the house.

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Woodmen Plan Ladies' Night

Members of Dunn Camp No. 894 of the Woodmen of the World met last night and mapped out final plans for their annual ladies night supper to be held next Wednesday night, June 11th at the home of Jesse Weeks on North Orange Ave., commencing at 7 p.m. The ticket committee reported that there were already a lot of tickets sold and urged that every person desiring to attend get their tickets before Tuesday in order that they would know how many to prepare for. It was also announced that persons other than Woodmen were being invited to attend since it was going to be an open meeting and the proceeds go to the Camp Treasury.

Each person will be served (Continued On Page Four)

2 Weeks Civil Term Will Open Monday

Harnett County Superior Court will open for a two-week term of civil court Monday, with Judge William T. Hatch of Raleigh presiding. Ten divorce cases and 47 other civil suits appear on the crowded docket.

Those seeking divorce are: Mildred F. Lawrence from Samuel Lawrence; W. T. Sauls from Ila F. Sauls; Geneva Autrey Pittman from Elmer Pittman; Clara Eliza Filippo from Francis Wood Filippo; Martha N. Calhoun from Donald Leroy Calhoun; Ruby Warren Tew from R. Jethro Tew; Jacquelyn Lucas White from Jack L. White Jr.; Lula Jackson Strickland from John Strickland; Margaret L. Sawyer Crymes from Howard J. Crymes; and Eli Roy Bell from Ruth Moberly Bell.

MOTION DOCKET — Cases on the motion docket are: Janet L. Stewart vs. Thomas C. Stewart; Durwood A. Young vs. Josephine R. Young; Malcolm Cameron vs. Jessie Ruth Cameron; Gene Wall, et al vs. J. L. Wicker, et al; Ruby W. Clark vs. Jeter Clark, et al; and L. M. McDonald vs. James A. Wigham, et al.

Monday's trial docket includes: R. G. Johnson, et al vs. R. E. (Burr) Matthews; O. J. Hodges vs. Martha E. Hodges; Malcolm Cameron vs. Jessie Ruth Cameron.

Set for Tuesday are: E. C. Jordan vs. J. P. Gardner, et al; John F. Scarborough, by his next friend N. V. Stephenson, vs. Gladys Burtis vs. Norfolk Southern Railway, et al; and James F. Baskin vs. Norfolk Southern Railway, et al.

Mr. Tort Tired Of Feuding, Takes Off

Alexander Tort left town in a huff this morning—pretty sore about some derogatory publicity he's been receiving.

A Daily Record photographer snapped the controversial public figure just before he stepped on a bus to leave the city "for some very important business elsewhere." Other reporters had failed to find him, but a Daily Record reporter had no trouble.

"Why some people," he pointed out, "have been spreading the untruth that there's no such person as Mr. Tort. I'll have you to know that I'm a well-known business man and public figure."

BANK ACCOUNT, TOO — To substantiate that fact, he produced a bank book showing deposits in The Commercial Bank of Dunn. Cashier J. N. Stephenson confirmed his balance.

"Furthermore," added Mr. Tort, "you might be interested to learn that I'm being considered for a very important position in this town. There's going to be a vacancy along about June 15th and I'm the people's choice."

Mr. Tort said he'd been wanting an opportunity to be interviewed by The Daily Record.

"A lot of stuff has been put out," he said, "about this and that and practically none of it is true. I'm a man of wide influence and somebody's liable to hear about it, too."

Where was Mr. Tort going? TIRED OF FEUDING — "Frankly," he said, "I'm going (Continued On Page Two)

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