

NORTH CAROLINA — Mostly cloudy and cool today, tonight and Thursday. Occasional rains tonight and Thursday and probably over south portion today.

Death Toll In Train Wreck May Reach 100
Johnston Leaders Oppose Relocation Of Highway 301

Heavy Attacks Are Made On Dr. Roy Earp

SMITHFIELD — Loud, vigorous protests over the proposal to relocate Highway 401 around Smithfield, Dunn and other towns on the present route were heard at a stormy mass meeting of citizens held in the Johnston County Courthouse here Monday.

Prominent Johnston County leaders and a cross-section of other citizens stood on their feet and voiced bitter protests.

They also loudly condemned Dr. Roy Earp, Fourth Division Highway Commissioner for his efforts to have Highway 301 re-routed.

Several Dunn leaders were present for the meeting.

After the three-hour hearing of the pros and cons, the Johnston County Board of Commissioners tabled the matter without taking any action—which was regarded as signifying their opposition to moving the highway and as a strong rebuff to Dr. Earp and his aides.

Failure of the board to act is considered a victory for the opponents of the relocation proposal as the State Highway Commission is endeavoring to get the commissioners of the counties along 301 to give their approval of the relocation plan.

The commissioners did not express any opinion relative to the relocation proposal during the hearing, and the matter was not brought up for discussion during the remainder of the regular monthly session.

NO OFFICIAL REQUEST
Board Chairman R. P. Holding, when questioned by a Herald representative after the board had adjourned its meeting, stated that the board had received no official request from the State Highway Commission to approve the relocation proposal.

The argument against relocation was presented by eight citizens who spoke on behalf of a delegation of approximately 100 persons who overflowed the commissioners' room and caused the hearing to be moved into the courtroom.

This group stood in a body when a motion was passed for all present who opposed relocation of the highway to stand.

Only person to speak in favor of the relocation was Dr. R. E. Earp, Fourth Division highway commissioner who near the end of the hearing showed maps of the proposed relocation, explained differences. (Continued On Page Two)

State Tries To Dictate To County On Welfare Budget

R. Eugene Brown, secretary of the State Board of Allotments and Appeals in the Public Assistance Division of the State Department of Public Welfare, was scheduled to confer with Harnett County Commissioners today at 2:30 p.m. about the county welfare budget.

In a letter this week to Chairman L. A. Tart, Brown has labeled the budget "Entirely inadequate". The state welfare official said Harnett County's budget was \$10,000 short of the amount necessary to maintain adequate service.

No state money for administrative purposes in the welfare department has been received in Harnett County since July and county funds will be exhausted soon. County auditor H. D. Carson told commissioners.

"It looks like the state department is trying to ram a new budget down our throats," commented H. S. Holloway at the board meeting on Monday. "Call him up Holloway said." And ask him to

come talk with us about the matter. Brown notified by telephone, promptly promised to come confer with the commissioners.

BUDGET IN LINE
When the county budget was set up and approved last July, the county welfare department was allocated \$31,200 for the year 1952-53. Last year Auditor Carson said the welfare department operated on \$31,150. The new allocation, he said, was in line with the amount spent last year.

Miss Wilma Williams, county welfare superintendent, failed to sign the budget which the county commissioners approved before forwarding it to Raleigh to the state office which contributes liberally to welfare activities. Drawing up a new budget Miss Williams on Monday asked commissioners to consider a total of \$40,300. Out of this sum, Harnett County would contribute \$20,486 and the state and federal agencies \$19,814.

SALARY CONTROVERSY
Before the county budget was first made, Miss Williams appeared

several time before the board and asked that money allocated for three positions, never filled due to scarcity of skilled personnel, be divided among her present staff as pay raises. Commissioners refused on grounds that if one county employee received a raise, all should share in a pay hike.

Raises Miss Williams asked for her staff members would amount to around \$20 per month or two step raises under the state merit system.

The welfare superintendent contends low salaries now set up will make it impossible to keep trained workers.

She pointed out Monday that case workers must drive their own cars. They get six cents mileage and \$25 per month for depreciation of the car. However, she noted the salaries which range from \$220 to \$270 per month still do not compare favorably with those of school teachers.

Meanwhile, two of the three vacant welfare positions have been filled. The third, that of a case work supervisor, is vacant.

Express Trains Ram Commuter In English Town

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HARROW, England (AP)
Two speeding express trains ripped into a crowded commuter local at Harrow station today in Britain's worst train wreck in 37 years and the second worst in its history.

Rescue workers by mid-afternoon had dragged 41 bodies from the tangled, 30-foot-high heap of debris in which the dead and injured were trapped. They estimated the death toll may exceed 100. An official estimate placed the number of dead at 75.

Three hundred persons were injured. Hospital treatment was required by 111 and only 41 of that number could be discharged after emergency dressing of their wounds.

TOLL MOUNTING
The toll was mounting hourly as volunteer rescue teams, assisted by 50 American medical corpsmen from nearby air bases, pulled apart the crumpled and twisted remains of wrecked passenger coaches.

Shortly after the 41st body had been removed from the wreckage a huge crane lifted the tangled bulk (Continued on page seven)



SNIPES BROTHERS OPEN AGENCY — James Snipes, left, and John Snipes, right, have opened the Snipes Insurance Agency in Dunn, offering to the public insurance for every need. The Snipes brothers operated the M System here for nearly 21 years and are leaders in various affairs of the town. Shown with them is their secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Godwin. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart).

Snipes Insurance Agency Opens

Opening of the Snipes Insurance Agency, Dunn's newest insurance firm, was announced here this morning by James and John Snipes, owners of the company.

The new agency offers "Insurance For Every Need," including auto, fire, theft, casualty, burglary, life, hospital, bonds, etc.

There is no insurance need that cannot be filled by the Snipes brothers, two of Dunn's best known and most popular young business leaders.

The Snipes Insurance Agency is located in the building formerly occupied by the M. and M. Cradle Shop on East Broad Street, right beside the building where they operated the M System Grocery Store for nearly 21 years.

WELL-KNOWN COMPANIES
Among the companies represented by the new agency are: Pilot Life, Central Mutual, Employers Mutual Casualty, Lumberman's Mutual, Resolute Insurance Co., Millers Mutual Utica Mutual and Pioneer Cooperative Fire Insurance Co.

All of these are strong, nationally-known companies. Mrs. Elizabeth Godwin is secretary of the new insurance firm.

The Snipes brothers have been active in the business, civic, social, fraternal and religious life of Dunn for more than two decades and are widely known throughout Eastern Carolina.

Both are Methodists, Masons. (Continued On Page Two)

Jury Lists Drawn For November Term

Superior Court Judge Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw will preside over a criminal session of Harnett Superior Court which will convene on Monday morning, November 10.

Jury lists for the two weeks of court were drawn by the county board of commissioners. Following is the list, as released by Mrs. Inez Harrington, secretary to the board:

Jurors drawn for the criminal term of superior court beginning Nov. 10, 1952, were:

- M. J. Jackson, Erwin, Route 1, Grove; Willard Cummings, Lillington, Route 3, Upper Little River; Charlie Cotton, Lillington, Route 2, Lillington; Billy Ray Matthews, Lillington, Lillington; John M. Swann, Jonesboro Heights, Route 6, Lillington; E. H. Colville, Lillington, Lillington; Mabel Alston, Lillington, Lillington; Charles Hodges, Dunn, Averasboro; Margaret Shaw, Lillington, Lillington; David Avery, Erwin, Route 1, Stewart's Creek; D. W. Parker, Dunn, Averasboro; Ralph S. Harrington, Lillington, Lillington. (Continued On Page Two)

Stevenson Attacks McCarthy Methods

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Adlai E. Stevenson carried his campaign into the home state of Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy today with a slashing attack on the tactics used by the Communist-hunting Wisconsin lawmaker.

The Democratic presidential candidate did not mention McCarthy by name in a speech here but he voiced many of the arguments which have been raised against McCarthy.

Promising that if he is elected he would use "all the powers of the federal government" to combat the Red menace, Stevenson said he also would fight "those who, in the name of anti-communism, would assault the community of freedom itself."

The protests which have been leveled at McCarthy were echoed when he said:

HITS FALSE CHARGES
"Disturbing things have taken place in our own land. The pillorying of the innocent has caused the wise to stammer and the timid to retreat. I would shudder for this country if I thought that we too

Lions To Meet Thursday Nite

A special program that will be of interest to all members has been slated for the meeting tomorrow night of the Dunn Lions Club, it was announced today by program chairman J. N. Stephenson, and he urges all members to make every effort to be present. The program, he said, will be a surprise.

As an additional reason for attendance, Secretary Edgar Black pointed out that the club has achieved perfect attendance for the last three meetings in a row, and he hopes to continue this record.

At the board of directors meeting, erection of swings in the park was approved as a project. Another project approved was the supplying of refreshments for a program put on by the Dunn-Erwin Chapter of the Red Cross at the Veterans Hospital in Fayetteville.

Two new members, Mack Andrews and Junius Morgan are to be admitted at the meeting tomorrow night, President Stephenson said.

Quarterly Meeting Set By Methodists

Members of Divine Street Methodist Church are all set for their church social to be held at the church Thursday night of this week.

The meeting will get underway at 6:30 with a picnic dinner. John K. Snipes, Chairman of the Board of Stewards will be master of ceremonies for the evening. Following the meal an entertainment film will be shown by Mr. A. B. Johnson, to be followed with one on family life.

The chief feature of the event will be an address by the Rev. R. E. Brown, district superintendent of the Raleigh District. Group singing will be led by members of the choir.

In charge of arrangements will be Mrs. George F. Blalock, and her committee.

The fourth quarterly conference will be held by Rev. Mr. Brown immediately after the social at which time reports will be given for the year by the various organizations of the church. A summary of activities will be included in the pastor's report. Officials for the new years will be elected.

CINCINNATI (AP) — The United Mine Workers lashed out today at President Truman's labor, foreign and domestic policies, but left the door open for Democratic presidential nominee Adlai E. Stevenson to step in.

MOSCOW (AP) — War Minister Marshal A. M. Vassilievsky assured the 19th Soviet Communist party congress last night that the Soviet Army "will fulfill with honor the tasks imposed upon it."

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Premier Mohammed Mossadegh has left the \$137,200,000 price tag on his offer to resume negotiations with Britain for settlement of their oil dispute, it was disclosed today.

BOSTON (AP) — Tommy Holmes, fired earlier this year as manager of the Boston Braves, was rehired today (Continued On Page Two)

AFL Approves Election Plans

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West stated that all officers would become vacant and that the election would include the office of Business Agent, which he presently holds. It is expected that the committee will recommend nominations for all offices at the meeting of the Local on October 21st and a secret ballot vote later that same week. Mr. West said, "A number of offices are now vacant and as a result of the confusion of the past few months the people may wish to make some changes in other offices. I have talked with

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MARKETS

RALEIGH (AP) — Hog markets: Whiteville, Lumberton, Marion: Slightly weaker on good and choice 180-240 lb. barrows and gilts at 19.50.

Siler City, Tarboro, Mount Olive, Wilson, New Bern, Dunn, Goldsboro, Washington, Wilmington, Kinston, Jacksonville, Smithfield, Rocky Mount, Fayetteville, Florence, Clinton: Steady at 19.50. (Continued on page two)

Dunn Firemen Get Two Calls

Howard M. Lee, secretary of the Dunn Fire Department reported today that two fire calls were answered by the Dunn Fire Department in the past five days.

Saturday, October 4th an alarm was answered at 5:10 p.m. at the residence of J. Alvin Tart, Route 1, whose home is owned by Barney Smith of the same address.

The fire occurred in an oil heater which was filled with too much oil and blazed up. No damage done. Nineteen men answered the call and were back at 5:30.

Yesterday the department answered a call to the General Utility Co. on W. Harnett St. at 10:00 a.m. An elevated metal storage bin holding cotton seed and trash was in flames. Damage was confined to the trash side of the bin. Twenty-three men answered the alarm and were back in at 10:55 p.m.

Mrs. O. R. Pearce Dies



MRS. MINNIE PEARCE
Mrs. Minnie Hill Pearce, 60, widely-known Dunn nurse, died this morning at 10 o'clock in the Dunn Hospital after a week's illness. Mrs. Pearce suffered a stroke last week and had been critically ill since that time. She was the wife of O. R. Pearce, local constable and deputy sheriff and veteran Dunn law enforcement officer.

Mrs. Pearce was a native of the Robeson County, daughter of the late Jacob Daniel Hill and Martha Ann heart Hill. (Continued on page two)