

**WEATHER**  
Fair with disquieting winds and  
continued cold tonight. Light frost  
tonight, with low 25 to 30. Friday  
fair and warmer.  
Temp. tomorrow: 30-45.  
Sat. and Sun. 30-45.  
Wind: 10-20 m.p.h. today, 10-20  
m.p.h.

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## Battle Raging For Old Baldy

### Newsmen Firm In Struggle Against Secret Meetings

RALEIGH (AP) — Newsmen held firm today in their struggle to tear the shroud of secrecy from hearings by the appropriations subcommittee on the multi-million dollar state budget.

Most of the reporters, locked out of a meeting yesterday in a specially-rented room at a hotel here, pointed out that they did not have the authority to enter into agreements that would bind their newspapers, radio stations or news services. Some newsmen also claimed that the subcommittee was acting illegally in attempting to close its sessions.

Co-Chairman Sen. J. William Copeland of Hertford said the full appropriations committee was meeting at 2 p. m. today but declined to say when his subcommittee would meet again.

He said, however, that "the next meeting we hold and all meetings that we hold thereafter will be open."

**VOTE IN OPEN**  
"Everything will be voted on in the open," Copeland said, "as long as the law stays as it is."

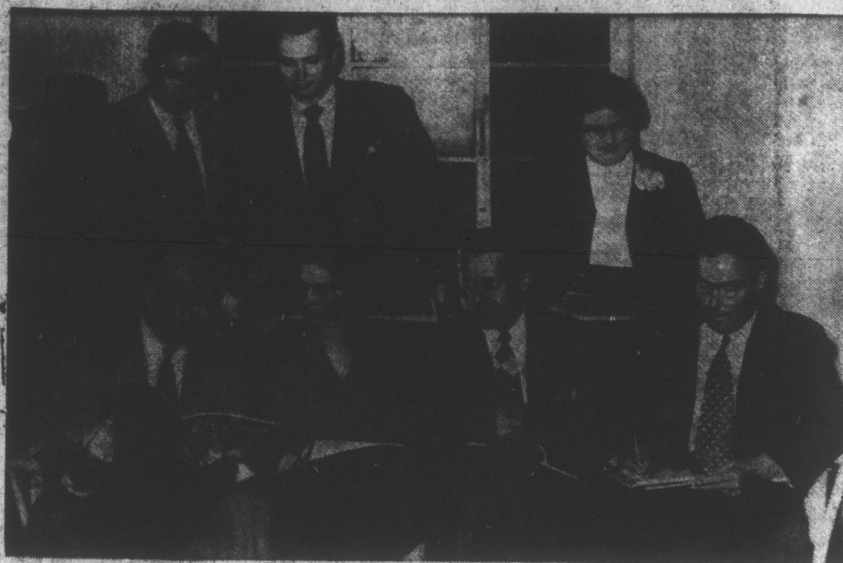
RALEIGH (AP) — The state Senate passed by voice vote and sent to the House today a resolution to allow appropriations committees of the legislature to hold secret sessions to consider—but not vote upon—budget matters.

Asked if there was a possibility the legislature would change the law to let the group close its sessions to reporters, Copeland replied: "I don't know." A reporter then asked him if this was discussed at the hotel-room meeting, and Copeland answered that "I was not at liberty to say."

After the meeting, Copeland and Co-Chairman Rep. Carl Venters of Chowah distributed copies of a compromise proposal to the newsmen.

Their statement read: "The joint subcommittee on appropriations in the interest of serving all the people of the state and in the interest of expeditiously completing its work on the appropriations bill agrees to resume its deliberations in the presence of the press."

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**FAVOR FAMILY COW** — Around 50 Harnett farm, business and civic club leaders, meeting Wednesday night at the Lillington Community Center, talked about ways and means of helping the farmer raise his per capita income. Gathering was part of the State-wide Challenge Program. Many long range projects were discussed; specific goals are yet to be named. But the group named a family cow, Harnett's number one rural need. At present, the county has less than 2,000 family cows on over 4,500 farms. Among the leaders in the discussion were: front row, left to right: Fred Sloan, Raleigh chief of the program planning division, N. C. Extension Service; Miss Lela Huntley, home agent; Howard Watkins, Farmer Home Administration chief; W. E. Boykin, federal soil conservationist; and back row, Norman Suttles, secretary, Dunn Chamber of Commerce; Joseph C. Hawley, agriculture teacher, Anderson Creek who made the survey on dairying problems; and Mrs. Grady Matthews, Cape Fear Home Demonstration Club, Lillington, who was the first to name a family cow as the most urgent need among farm families. (Daily Record photo by T. M. Stewart).

### Allied Bombers Hit Reds With Tons Of Missiles

SEOUL, Korea (AP) — American fighter-bombers dumped 200,000 pounds of explosives on Communist-held Old Baldy Mountain today while Allied warplanes destroyed or damaged eight Communist MIG-15s that tried to break up the pulverizing attacks.

U. N. Sabre jets destroyed one MIG, probably destroyed another and damaged five more of the Russian-built jet fighters. A propeller-driven Marine Corsair, believed hopelessly out-matched by the swift enemy jet fighters, damaged another MIG in a fight about 40 miles north of the 38th parallel.

Although the Sabre jet claims came in battles in northwest Korea far from the Old Baldy area, the 8th Air Force said the Red jets were trying to break through a Sabre screen to stop the U. N. fighter-bomber assaults.

"Sabre jets swept MIG alleys and repeatedly turned back attempts to break up the shattering air strikes," the Air Force said in its official evening communique.

The MIGs made one of their deepest penetrations in months in an attempt to break up a Marine Corsair raid on a troop and supply center five miles north of Chinnampo, port city for Pyongyang, capital of North Korea.

**RED JET HIT**  
Twelve MIGs jumped the slower Leatherneck airplanes. In the ensuing battle, one of the Communist jets was damaged. The scoring pilot asked that his name be withheld.

The MIG attack did not prevent the Marines from carrying out their raid. They claimed 30 per cent coverage of the target.

The air attack began at 7:45 a. m. 5:45 p. m. EST Wednesday, shortly after American 8th Division infantrymen voluntarily withdrew from Old Baldy.

The withdrawals was to let both (Continued on page two)



**LONG TIME BETWEEN VISITS** — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard of Leesburg, Florida are shown here visiting with Mrs. Florence Howard Melamb, 88, prominent Dunn resident. And it was a long time between visits, too — in fact 43 years. It was the first time Mrs. Melamb had seen her nephew in 43 years. Now, he's a prominent Florida political leader, writer, business and civic leader. He promised today that he'll be back in Dunn more often. (Daily Record photo).

## Aunt And Nephew Reunited Here Today After 43 Years

After 43 years, an aunt was reunited with her nephew here today. And the nephew, Frank Howard of Leesburg, Fla., declared that his aunt, Mrs. Florence Howard Melamb, 88, prominent Dunn woman, "doesn't look a bit older than the last time I saw her."

Mrs. Melamb, however, observed that nephew Frank looked considerably older. She was chief of the last time she saw him last.

Now, Mr. Howard is a prominent business, civic and political leader in Leesburg and a power in State politics in Florida.

He is connected with the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad with the Brotherhood of Railroad Engineers. He is in the real estate business and manages the business.

### Youth Services Set For Easter

A special Sunrise service will be conducted for the young people of Dunn on Easter Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m. by the Dunn Christian Youth Council. It was announced today.

The services, sponsored by this group composed of the youth from the churches of Dunn, will be held on the lawn between the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches at 9:00 a. m.

In the event of rain, the services will be held in the basement of the Methodist Church instead.

All young people of high school and college age are urged to attend this special service, sponsored by young people and intended for the youth of the community.

## Erwin Lions Show In Final Rehearsal

Final rehearsals to be held tonight by the cast of the minstrel show to be presented by the Erwin Lions Club are definitely on the "polishing the apple" side, since the cast is well-nigh perfect in their respective parts.

The show will open tomorrow night in the Erwin High School auditorium at 8 o'clock, and advance sales of tickets forecast a good audience for the performance.

The show, although billed as a minstrel, has everything in addition to the regular minstrel entertainment, a number of specialty acts will be presented.

Background music for the show will be provided by the Erwin Glee Club and the popular Happy Valley Boys and there will be solo numbers by David Smith, members of the minstrel cast and others.

Dr. D. C. Woodall is cast as the interductor and the others of the minstrel cast include: E. N. Brandon, Jr., as Chicken; Carl Edgas as Midnight; Byron Stevens as Sambo; Ray Lupold as Tambo; Harold Byrd as Onyx; and Gilbert T. Woodworth Jr., as Candy.

Co-directors for the production are John Honeycutt and Mrs. Robert Insko.

Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Erwin Lions Club or at the door. The proceeds will be used for projects in the community sponsored by the service club.

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### Prices Cut On Chrysler Line

Increased production of automobiles since the first of the year has enabled the Chrysler Corporation to make the most drastic cut in prices since prewar days.

Local dealers, Robert W. (Bob) Dickey of Taylor-Dickey Motors and Dewey Whittenton of W. and S. Motors and Guy Stewart of Coats Motor Co. today were in receipt of a telegram from the Detroit factory advising them of the new price cuts.

Plymouth models were reduced approximately \$100 each. Dodge, DeSoto and Chrysler were reduced approximately \$200 and Dodge trucks were slashed about \$50.

"This is the biggest price development in the automotive industry since before the war," pointed out Mr. Dickey today.

The telegram from Detroit pointed out that:

**PRODUCTION UP**  
"These attractive lower prices at the approach of the spring buying season are made possible by increased production. Since the first of the year, Chrysler Corporation has built 32 per cent more automobiles and trucks than we were able to turn out in the corresponding period last year under government controls."

"With the spring selling season (Continued on page two)

### Charge Two Youths With Store Holdup

Two Harnett youths who allegedly held up a Cumberland County store at midnight, while wearing masks have been charged with armed robbery.

The defendants are Eugene Moore, 22 of Dunn, Route 2, and Lindbergh Ryals, 20 of Erwin. Officers said both of them have court records.

Corporal Rommie Williamson of the State Highway Patrol, Deputy Sheriff E. E. Sturgill and Deputy Claude H. Avery arrested the two men after investigation and turned them over to Cumberland County authorities.

They are being held under \$5,000 bond awaiting a preliminary hearing in Cumberland.

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I. G. Matthews, who operates a store near Black River, about 10 miles from Dunn, has a new Ford car which he says was taken into his store Monday night about 11:30 o'clock wearing masks.

They held him at the point of a pistol while they took between \$50 and \$75 in cash, and then fled.

Matthews rushed out of the station in time to identify their automobile, a 1948 Ford convertible.

Corporal Williamson said the description of the car fitted that in which the two men had been seen riding that night. They went to their homes and arrested them.

Both of them denied the crime and the money was not recovered.

### President Holds News Conference

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower held a news conference today that the ammunition situation in Korea is satisfactory for the present scale of operations.

The Army said, meanwhile, that ammunition supplies for Korea are now so abundant that shipments originally destined for the Far East are being diverted to other areas.

The ammunition pipeline to the war area is filled and "running over," an Army spokesman said.

The President said, however, that if the scale of Korean fighting were increased, steps would have to be taken to send still more ammunition there.

He disclosed that he had made a personal check this morning to see whether an ammunition shortage was to blame for American troops being driven off Old Baldy ridge in Korea. He said he was informed that ammunition did not figure in it.

Army officials had refused to say that the improved ammunition picture meant the United Nations had enough to launch an offensive.

**DEFENDS BOHLEN**  
President Eisenhower made another strong defense of Charles E. Bohlen as the best qualified man to be ambassador to Russia, and told (Continued on page two)

### Lillington Man Sent To Prison

Sherwood Bill Johnson of Lillington, one of three men whom FBI agents believe to be members of a big auto theft ring, was sentenced to seven and one-half years in prison by Federal Judge Johnson T. Hayes in Middle District Court in Durham yesterday.

Johnson, 38, had entered a plea of not guilty to five counts of transporting stolen motor vehicles across state lines, but he was found guilty on all five counts by a jury.

Four stolen vehicles were involved in the government's case, FBI agent T. J. O'Hara testified that "at least" five other cars stolen in the FBI eastern district were sold by Johnson. He said the stolen cars con- (Continued on page two)

### Farm Leaders Meet To Discuss Program

Harnett County farm leaders, aspiring to a far flung program to improve all phases of rural living, came right down to particulars at a meeting Wednesday night at the Lillington Community Center, and named more family milk cows as the number one need for farm families.

More and better marketing facilities were the next thing the farmers requested so that in case they grow more and better vegetable gardens, poultry, beef cattle, hogs and small grains they can be assured of selling their products at a profit.

Nobody wants to desert tobacco — now 62 per cent of the county farm income — and cotton 30 per cent, but they agreed they must lick nematodes in the tobacco soil and the boll weevil on the cotton. If the per capita income from these money crops is to be raised.

Agricultural workers, civic club representatives and business men from various parts of the county were told by County Farm Agent C. R. Ammons that the basic purpose of the state-wide Challenge Program is to assure the farmer more income and to promote better utilization of that income.

The meeting was the second at which the Challenge Program has been discussed. The first, held at the Lillington school, featured a survey of "where we are now" in Harnett agriculture. Findings will be used as a basis of specific new goals.

No specific list of objectives was made last night, but will be left to a small county committee not yet named. This will in turn work (Continued on page two)

### Ammo Supply Is High In Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army said today ammunition supplies in Korea are now so abundant that shipments originally destined for the Far East war zone are being diverted to other areas.

An official spokesman said the Korean ammunition situation has improved in the past few weeks to the point where "the stuff is running over."

The report came as a Senate Armed Services subcommittee prepared to open hearings next week into charges by Gen. James A. Van Fleet that there were serious and often "critical" shortages of ammunition during the 22 months that he commanded the 8th Army in Korea.

Army officials declined to say whether the improved ammunition picture means that United Nations forces are now in a position to launch an offensive. But it was recalled that Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson told the Senate Armed Services Committee early in March that "soon . . . we shall (Continued on page four)

## Dr. Sales To Speak At Black's Chapel

Dr. R. H. Sales of the Duke University Dept. of Religion, will be the guest preacher for the Fifth Sunday Rally to be held at Black's Chapel Methodist Church at Godwin on Sunday, March 29th at 11:00 a. m.

Each fifth Sunday the churches that compose Wesley Charge gather for a Rally Day. A picnic dinner will be served at 1:00 p. m. and the afternoon program will be a hymn-oration service of special music and congregational singing.

Dr. Sales, an outstanding preacher, will preach on the topic "They Called Him King." Dr. Sales holds the A.B. degree from Hendrix College, Ark.; M.D. degree and Ph.D. degree from Duke University. Dr. Sales is an ordained Methodist minister and a member of the N. C. Conference.

## BULLETINS

WASHINGTON (AP) — President and Mrs. Eisenhower were entertained Wednesday night by Sen. and Mrs. Robert A. Taft. It was one of the social events of the season. But the two husbands couldn't resist talking shop.

The Tafts invited almost 250 guests to their big brick Victorian home in fashionable Georgetown for a 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. reception in honor of Mrs. Eisenhower.

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — A 24-year-old nightclub hostess with "the face of an angel" was sentenced to life imprisonment last night for hacking her butcher-lover to death with a meat cleaver and a sausage knife. Blonde Adrienne Eckhardt, pregnant and unwed, was convicted in criminal court here of murdering Hans Arthold.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — Andrei Y. Vishinsky (Continued on page two)

### MARKETS

**POULTRY**  
RALEIGH (AP) — Central North Carolina live poultry: Fryers and broilers steady, supplies adequate, demand fair; heavy hens steady, supplies adequate to plentiful, demand fair. Prices paid at farm up to 12 a. m. today: Fryers as follows: (Continued on page three)

**DRUGS FOR THE BLESSED** — John W. Johnson, Jr., moved from left, a Dunn native who is now in the U. S. Army, is shown here with his mother, Mrs. Johnson, who has presented the Dunn Community Center with a new set of books. Without a machine, the job took several weeks. The books are now in the hands of the community center. (Daily Record photo)

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