

Candidates File For Offices As Books Open

Van Fleet Urges Caution In Accepting Red Peace Offer

General Warns Against Being Too Optimistic

TOKYO (AP) — Gen. Mark Clark warned today the United Nations must not expect too much or too little from the Communist offer to resume truce negotiations in Korea.

Clark's warning came shortly after a half-hour meeting between U. N. and Communist liaison officers at Panmunjom. Both sides merely discussed the location of Red prisoner of war camps.

The liaison officers did not bring up the Communist offer to exchange sick and wounded prisoners of war or to resume the negotiations for an armistice.

"I think this is a good time not to be too optimistic or too pessimistic," Clark said at a news conference in Seoul.

The U. N. Far East commander recalled that he has been dealing (Continued on Page Two)



ERWIN EASTERN STAR INSTALLS OFFICERS — Shown are the installing officers and officers installed last night by the Erwin Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. In the group are: Mrs. Ruth Russ of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Bertha Elderbaum, Mrs. Ethel Parker of Fayetteville and Mrs. Sally Jernigan of Dunn, installing officers; Earl Whitman, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Mildred Cameron Associate Worthy Patron; Ernest Davis Associate Worthy Patron; Mrs. Margaret Swanson, Secretary; Mrs. Margaret Adams, Treasurer; Mrs. Eunice Moore, Conductress; Mrs. Letty Lucas, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Louise Tew, Organist; Mrs. Vera Lee Wilkins, Chaplain; Mrs. Lucille Muse, Marshall; Mrs. Irene Deane, Adah; Mrs. Hazel Godwin; Ruth Mrs. Martha Brock, Esther; Mrs. Magalene Godwin, Martha; Mrs. Letha Lupold, Elects; Mrs. Naomi Matthews, Warder; and Mrs. Myrtle House, Sentinel. (Daily Record Photo.)

Soviet Declares It Will Support Peace Proposals

MOSCOW (AP) — The government of Soviet Russia announced today that it supports the proposals of the Chinese and North Korean Communists to end the Korean war and is prepared to cooperate fully in attaining peace.

Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov said in a statement broadcast to the world by the Moscow radio — that he was authorized to announce his government's support of the Communist proposals.

They are for an immediate exchange of sick and wounded war prisoners, resumption of armistice negotiations and the turning over to a neutral state of remaining prisoners who do not want to be repatriated.

"The Soviet government... expresses confidence that this proposal will be correctly understood by the government of the United States of America," Molotov said.

He said that the issue of Chinese Communist and North Korean rep- (Continued on page two)

Bond Issue Bill Wins Approval

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House today passed a bill to carry out Gov. William B. Umstead's plan for multi-million-dollar bond issues to build schools, expand mental institutions and improve higher educational plants cleared their first big legislative hurdle without a scratch and moved on today toward the second.

Meanwhile, the House was expected to give final approval to a bill to limit to one the number of senators a county may have. However, vigorous opponents of the measure may make a last-ditch stand in an effort to stop the measure which passed its first test by a wide margin yesterday.

The Joint Appropriations Committee yesterday approved bond issues of \$50,000,000 for schools, \$22,000,000 for mental institutions and \$13,000,000 for sanitariums and colleges, and university buildings. The bills now go to the Finance Committee.

The bond bills received swift approval after Umstead's legislative (Continued on page two)

Orphanage To Get Duke Endowment

Dunn Free Will Baptist Orphanage will benefit by \$1,118.19 and Falcon Orphanage by \$2,259.84, as two of the 41 orphanages and 123 hospitals in North and South Carolina will receive \$99,976 from the Duke endowment fund, it was disclosed here today.

M. I. Plokena, secretary of the fund's local office, said the appropriations were voted by a meeting of the board of directors in New York yesterday.

The hospitals will receive \$525,536 on the basis of \$1 a day for each day of charity patient care reported during the past year.

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SEUL, Korea (AP) — Heavy clouds over North Korea (Continued on page two)

Tart Advocates Less Spending Lower Tax Rate

Mayor Protom R. G. Tart, the town's No. 1 advocate of economy in city government, filed for re-election to the city council this morning and promised that he'd keep on fighting for a reduction in city spending and taxes.

The prominent Dunn business, civic and religious leader, paid his filing fee with City Clerk Charles R. Storey soon after the filing books opened this morning.

Mr. Tart had been urged to run for Mayor and had considered it, but decided to seek re-election to the council instead. His wife is a patient in Dunn Hospital and he said he just didn't have time to do much campaigning.

Mr. Tart, a successful farmer and businessman, is regarded as the watchdog of the city treasurer and has fought consistently for a reduction in city taxes and a lower tax rate.

WANTS RATE CUT "I think we ought to bring the (Continued on page two)

Teen-Ager Says He Killed Five

DUBUQUE, Ia. (AP) — A teen-age Marine, described as "clean cut and gentlemanly," "dramatically" admitted five gunshots in his own defense when he begged police to free his "dirty blond" girl friend.

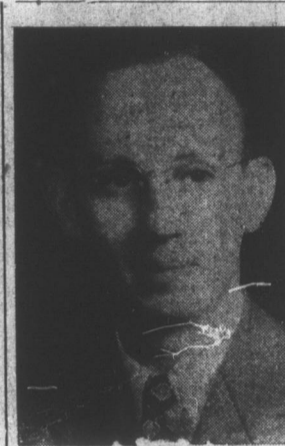
But the love-struck girl sobbed "I want the same punishment as he gets."

Pvt. Fred E. McManus, 18, of Valley Stream, N. Y., was captured Tuesday night and signed a confession to the slayings of a Rochester, N. Y. man Friday, the double killing of an Illinois couple Saturday and another double murder at Spring Valley, Minn., early Monday.

"I best leave the part about sound mind out of this," he wrote in his confession.

WAS AWOL McManus, one day AWOL, was (Continued on Page Two)

MARKETS HOGS RALEIGH (AP) — Hog markets: Tarboro, Mt. Olive, Rocky Mount, (Continued on Page 3)



L. C. DUFREE, JR.



FRANK McLEOD

Dunn Couples To Attend Convention

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dufree, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McLeod will leave Dunn Wednesday morning, April 3, to attend the annual convention of Life and Casualty Insurance Company which meets in Nassau, Bahamas Islands, April 13 and 14.

As will be many others from North Carolina who will be in attendance will be Mr. and Mrs. A. Gregory. Mr. Gregory was formerly an agent on the staff of Mr. Dufree, assigned to the Boston office, and Mrs. Gregory is now located in Durham, to which

he was assigned as Superintendent in January of this year.

Headquarters for the convention will be the beautiful British Colonial Hotel. A total of 367 qualified delegates from 14 states and from Washington, D. C. will attend.

All delegates and their guests will convene in Miami, Fla., Saturday April 11th, and will travel to Nassau, by choice of boat or plane. The Life & Casualty Ins. Co. has chartered the houseboat, the Silver Star, which accommodates 310 persons. Those preferring any (Continued on page two)

Dunn Assured Of Supply Of Gravel

The Town of Dunn will have plenty of gravel for years to come.

At a special session of the city council late yesterday afternoon, the town purchased a 70-acre piece of land from Clarence, Bill and Minnie McLamb on Dunn, Route 3.

The price was listed at \$6,150. Since the board does not have authority to obligate the city beyond two years time, the board decided on a lease agreement. The town will pay rent on the land for five years and at the end of that period, the McLamb's will give the town a title.

Mayor Ralph Hanna pointed out that the town has been badly in need of gravel for sometime and this land will provide plenty for years to come.

FREAK EGG BANGOR, Me. (AP) — Constable Pat Sheppard was gypped. His breakfast egg was a freak—it had no yolk.

The U. S. consumed 476 million tons of bituminous coal in 1951, nearly 100 million tons more than in 1939.

Hanna Declares Nobody Drafted Him Into Race

Mayor Ralph E. Hanna showed up at the office of City Clerk Charles R. Storey bright and early this morning and paid his filing fee to seek a third term in office.

The action came as a surprise to nobody. For weeks, he has been carefully laying the groundwork and mending his political fences for the race.

Mayor Hanna was the first to file for mayor and the second to file for any office after the books opened.

Bill Bryan was the first to file and Mayor Hanna followed him. Next came Commissioner R. G. Tart, seeking re-election in Ward III, and then Joe A. Wilkins filed for mayor.

J. Leon Godwin has announced for commissioner in Ward I but has not yet filed. Commissioner Coats of Ward I is expected to file for re-election unless he decides to run for mayor. A movement is now (Continued on Page 3)

Swine Industry Asks State Aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — North Carolina swine industry said an urgent appeal before the legislature today for \$250,000 to combat the increasingly frequent outbreaks of the highly-infectious hog disease, vesicular exanthema.

A committee representing leaders of the industry requested Agriculture Commissioner L. Y. Ballentine late yesterday to take up that matter with Gov. William B. Umstead who has asked that he be kept informed on the outbreaks. The disease has struck six times in the state since last July.

The committee proposed that \$25,000 be made immediately available to fight the current outbreaks in Orange and Johnston counties and another \$25,000 be set up to combat any other outbreaks which may occur before July 1.

The group asked that another \$200,000 be added to the biennial contingency and emergency fund for this purpose to be held in reserve for VE emergencies. The infected animals usually have (Continued on Page two)

It's That Time Again — Candidates File — The Campaign Is On



HANNA RUNNING — Mayor Hanna files for reelection as Mayor of Dunn.

TART FAVORS ECONOMY — Mayor Protom R. G. Tart pays his filing fee with City Clerk Charles R. Storey in a campaign against Mayor Hanna.

NEWCOMER TO POLITICS — W. M. (Bill) Bryan was the first to file this morning. He's opposing Commissioner Tart in Ward III.

COATS AS MAJOR OPPONENT — Commissioner Coats of Ward I is expected to file for re-election unless he decides to run for mayor.