

Partly cloudy and warm today and tonight. Saturday considerable clouds and continued warm, with scattered thunderstorms.

More POW's Tell Of Deaths

Prisoners Tell More Stories Of Red Brutality

FREEDOM VILLAGE, Korea (AP) — Freed American war prisoners told bitterly today of the deaths of at least 743 more American soldiers at the hands of the Reds, and of a "Death Valley" where dead GIs were carried out by "the Korean cartloads."

Their stories raised to nearly 3,000 the number of United Nations prisoners which liberated POW's have charged died of torture, starvation and neglect. It was the largest single total of American victims yet reported. In Washington it was reported that congressional leaders were trying to delay proposed investigations of Korean war atrocities for fear it might endanger the lives of prisoners still in Red hands. Today's stories came from among 40 Americans released in the fifth day of the exchange of United Nations and Communist sick and wounded war prisoners. It brought to 119 the number of Americans released so far, and to 500 the over-all total of U. N. prisoners released by the Reds. The Allies have returned 2,500 Reds. The Reds promised 17 more Americans Saturday.

At today's meeting of liaison officers, the U. N. proposed that the exchange of sick and wounded be continued for the duration of Korean hostilities. The U. N. proposal would test Red claims they are repatriating "all" U. N. sick and wounded.

"DEATH VALLEY" The story of a "Death Valley" on the route from the front to the prison camp at Changson was disclosed by two Americans. They were carrying dead GIs out of there by the Korean cartloads. (Continued on page two)

Dodge Is Winner Of Economy Run

Naylor-Dickey Motors of Dunn, local Dodge-Plymouth dealer, today received a telegram from Detroit advising that the new Dodge Red Ram X-8 won the annual Mobilgas Economy Run for the low-medium priced class cars. The Dodge averaged 23.4 miles per gallon, proving that the new 1953 Dodge Red Ram V-8 engine is the most efficient engine in America. The Mobilgas Economy Run took place in California.



CLEANUP SQUAD — The members of Troop 114 are shown at the meeting during which they gave the Scout Hut a thorough cleaning. Shown with Scoutmaster Furman Turnage are: Ray Brewer, senior patrol leader, Bruce McLean, Jerry Barfield, Charles Alford, Bobby Parker, Donald Strickland, Bill Barfield, Clifton Barefoot, Floyd Fisher, Jim Jackson, Aaron McLamb, Donald Gardner, Bert Alabaster, Jr., Philip Leslie, Eddie Coats, Earl Cobb, Jimmy Turnage, Charles Jernigan, Wesley Fowler, James Lee Parker, Jr., and Eugene Hodges. (Daily Record Photo).

MacArthur Gives Secret Plan To End Korean War

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gen. Douglas MacArthur today gave the nation a peek at his celebrated secret plan for ending the war in Korea. The main feature: A threat to bomb Communist China.

"A warning of action of this sort provides the leverage," he said, "to induce the Soviet to bring the Korean struggle to an end without further bloodshed." The former supreme Allied commander in the Far East revealed his proposals in a 1,500-word letter to Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D-Va) who had queried him on Korean armistition shortages. Byrd made the letter public. The proposals obviously represented the "clear and definite solution" which MacArthur alluded to in his famous Dec. 5 speech in New York and later discussed privately with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

"We still possess the potential to destroy Red China's flimsy industrial base and sever her tenuous supply lines from the Soviet," he said. "This would deny her the resources to support modern war and sustain large military forces in turn would greatly weaken the Communist hold upon Asia." MacArthur said Russia is not "blind to the dangers" confronting it in the Far East so that a threat of a "Red China debacle might well settle the Korean war and all other pending global issues on equitable terms."

He indicated such a threat would (Continued on Page 8)

Blocked Cleanup Hot Issue

The hottest question in town today was: "Who blocked the move last year to bring Federal officers into Dunn to clean up bootlegging and other evils here?" It was such a hot question that nobody seemed to want to comment. Mayor Halph E. Hanna and other members of the city council gave a firm "No comment." Some of them would discuss the matter off the record—but not to be quoted. One fact was certain and confirmed: Dunn's city council several months ago appropriated \$500 to be used by Federal officers to defray expenses of a clean-up campaign here.

Under their policy, Federal agents won't come into a town unless the local governing body requests them to do so and puts up the expense money. The board appropriated the money and Commissioner R. G. Tart was instructed to deliver the cash to the local United States Commissioner. City Clerk Charles R. Storey said the check was written and handed to Mr. Tart. Later, it was returned. (Continued on page two)

Vann Will Announce Decision On Monday

Earl G. Vann, prominent Dunn churchman, business and civic leader, said today that he will announce on Monday whether or not he will oppose Mayor Halph E. Hanna in the May 5 general election here. Mr. Vann disclosed yesterday that he is considering entering the race at the request of many citizens who have requested him to do so. "I greatly appreciate the fact that so many of my friends have asked me to run," said Mr. Vann this morning. "I have been very busy with some other matters and have not had an opportunity to decide." He said he would announce his decision on Monday.

Driver Who Killed Child Bound Over

Benny Mason, 17-year-old 11th grade student in the Erwin school, was ordered held for the grand jury under \$3,000 bond in the death of Warren Lee Hudson, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Kle Hudson, at an inquest held here this morning. Mason was the driver of a 1940 Oldsmobile which crashed into the yard where the child was playing here Monday morning, killing him instantly. A jury impaneled by Hallett Coroner Grover C. Henderson, who conducted the inquest, recommended that Mason be held for action by the grand jury in the fatality. Seven witnesses and the young defendant were heard by the jurors at the inquest, held in the office of Police Chief Alton Cobb. The tragedy occurred here Monday morning about 11 o'clock on West Divine Street Extension. The child was playing next door in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boyette when the car rounded the curve in the secluded residential area, went out of control and crashed him to death.

Shawtown Plans Finals Program

The program of commencement activities at Shawtown School in Lillington is completed, it was reported today by Principal J. S. Spivey. The calendar of the remainder of the program is as follows: Intermediate grades musical, April 24; one-act plays, by the seventh grade, April 27; one-act plays by the eighth grade, April 29; Junior-Senior Prom, May 1; May Day exercises, May 1; County music festival, May 8; Senior class play, May 7. The annual baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by the Rev. H. S. Davis, pastor of Timothy-Darling Presbyterian Church in Oxford on Sunday afternoon, May 24, at 4:00 p. m. Class night exercises will be held on May 25 and the commencement exercises will be held on May 27. The commencement speaker has not yet been announced.

Tax Collection Sets New Record

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government collected a record \$68,502,564,266 in taxes last year, the Bureau of Internal Revenue reported today. The figures for the calendar year 1952, showed a \$22,500,000,000 increase over 1951—\$5,000,000,000 in corporate income taxes, almost \$8,000,000,000 in personal income taxes and small increases in most others. Higher tax rates coupled with better business and higher income accounted for the increases. Every state showed an increase in over-all collections. New York state had the biggest total, \$12,897,342,221, and Wyoming the smallest, \$67,803,420. Total individual income and employment tax collections for the year were \$55,955,895,881, compared to \$30,046,211,980 in 1951.

Taxes on corporate income and excess profits last year netted \$11,800,000,000. (Continued on Page Two)

Record Budget Wins Approval

RALEIGH (AP) — The General Assembly gave its final approval today to the state's record \$620,000,000 budget for the coming biennium plus a contingent pay boost for teachers and state employees. Only signatures of the Senate president and House speaker remain to make the measure law. Both the House and Senate voted approval today of the report of Senate-House conferees named after the upper chamber raised technical objections to a House salary increase. (Continued on Page Two)

BULLETINS

SEOUL, Korea (AP) — United Nations forces turned back 14 separate Communist attacks on the battlefield today in a day of air-ground action that produced America's fifth double-ace of the war. The ground war flamed as the Reds launched the highest number of assaults since March 27.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chairman Homer E. Capehart R-Ind of the Senate Banking Committee said today he expects the Senate to act on a rent control extension bill before the present law expires next Tuesday. He conceded, however, that he was expressing more of a hope than a prediction.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — The United Nations General Assembly stood ready today to reconvene at a moment's notice to begin "the organization of peace" in (Continued on Page Two)

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS — The members of the Hoe-N-Grow Club became amateur landscape gardeners in order to beautify the park area here. Shown working on the project are: Mrs. Woodrow Hill, Mrs. W. E. Turner, Mrs. E. V. Snipes, Mrs. Billy Wellons, and Mrs. John Parker. Not present at the time the picture was made were Mrs. L. A. Monroe and Mrs. Bill Carroll. Wednesday this group was reinforced by Mrs. Bob Dickey, Mrs. Marvin Godwin, and Mrs. Della Dunbar. Lime is furnished by Farmers Supply Co.; fertilizer by McComb Farm Machinery, dealing by Johnson Cotton Company and other equipment by Pardee Equipment Co. (Daily Record photo by Lona Dearborn).

Little River Baptists Meet

Around 200 Baptists from 15 of the 30 churches in the Little River Association gathered in Lillington on Tuesday for the second annual associational spring meeting. This marked the second year the association, which customarily holds its meetings in the fall, has had a spring meeting designed primarily for inspirational purposes. "Enriching Our Christian Vocation" was the conference theme. Morning, afternoon and night sessions were held at the newly remodeled Lillington Church. Luncheon and supper were served visitors as a courtesy from the women of the Lillington Church. Under the new arrangement, necessary business matters, election of officers and annual reports will be reserved for the fall meeting. Julius Holloway, associational missionary, said the spring conference, which has met with enthusiastic response from the churches, will permit an entire meeting to be devoted to worship and emphasis of a conference theme as applied to all phases of the church program. President, Leslie Campbell of Campbell College, moderator of the Little River Association, presided at the morning session. Discussions were centered about enrichment of the church program through the Sunday School. Dr. Perry Langston, religious education teacher from Campbell College, made the feature talk on "Using the Sunday School as a Soul Winning Agency."

GOAL OF A MILLION. Holloway reminded Baptists of the Southern Baptist Convention goal which is to win a million more Sunday School pupils in 1953. He noted that two new Sunday schools founded in 1952 in Getrod Springs and South Fork have now attained the goal of churches. Johnsonville, now a mission. Sunday (Continued on page two)

Mad Dog Is Sought Near Buie's Creek

A mad dog which terrorized the Buie's Creek neighborhood was still at large Thursday night after biting a number of dogs and escaping after pursuers shot three times and missed.

County Health Officer, Dr. W. B. Hunter, said the report reaching him was that the rabid animal, frothing at the mouth, was a stray animal described as a white dog, with dark brown spots, half bird dog and half hound. The county health officer immediately clamped a quarantine on all dogs bitten. He strongly recommended that for the public safety all dogs bitten by the rabid animal should be destroyed or placed in proper quarantine.

SERIOUS MENACE Dr. Hunter pointed out that the dogs bitten constitute a serious public health menace. Rabies usually develops within six weeks, but in many cases has been known to wait as long as 90 days from the time of the original infection. Any dog vaccinated as late as (Continued on page two)

Recital Sunday At Methodist Church

On Sunday afternoon, April 26 at three o'clock, Mr. William W. Johnston of Mt. Holly, N. C. and Davidson College, will present an organ recital at the Divine Street Methodist Church. All periods of important organ literature will be represented on the program, which will include works by Bach, Handel, Franck, Malmis, Weaver and Widor. Mr. Johnston is a native of Mt. Holly and while in high school there he studied piano under Frances K. Holland and Hilda Keulser. His first organ was done under Robert Rodwell, organist in the First Baptist Church of Charlotte, North Carolina. Since entering Davidson College, he has continued his study of the organ under Philip Gehring and Harold M. Frank, a former pupil of Carl Weinrick. Mr. Johnston has served as organist of the Main Street Methodist Church, Gastonia, the First Church of Christ's Scientists of Charlotte and the First Presbyterian Church of Mt. Holly. He is a member of the Phi Mu Alpha, national honorary music fraternity and of the American Guild of Organists. For the Charlotte Chapter of the latter organization he is to present a recital in May. This is Mr. Johnston's third year at Davidson where he is working for a Bachelor's Degree in Pre-Medical Science. He will be assisted in his recital by Mr. Jack McQueen of Dunn, also a member of Phi Mu Alpha at Davidson and pupil of Harold Frank and Philip Gehring. There will be no admission charge and all are cordially invited to attend.

Last Minute News Shorts

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VIRGINIA TURNER



JERALD CHRISTIAN

RECORD CONTESTANTS — Shown are four more of the winners by the photographer during the Daily Record's Daily Record Children's Contest. From left to right: Charles Willis, 11, a 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen E. Willis, 2005 S. W. 7th St.; Pamela Williford, 10, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Spivey, 1005 S. W. 7th St.; Virginia Lee Turner, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Turner, 2005 S. W. 7th St.; and Jerald Christian, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Christian.