

Partly cloudy and continued warm today, tonight and Friday. Heavier afternoon thundershowers Friday.

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Like To Meet With Churchill And Mayer Harnett Grand Jury Recommends School Improvements



ERWIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OFFICERS — Shown are the newly-elected officers of the Erwin High School Student Council who will hold office during the next school year. Pictured are, front row, left to right; Stanford Godwin, Sergeant-at-Arms; Larry Smith, President; and Tommy Stevens, Treasurer. Back row, left to right; Diane Ralph, Vice-President; Miss Lulu Shepherd, Advisor; and Barbara Hudson, Secretary. (Daily Record photo by Louis Dearborn).

Four Projects Are Put On Urgent List

By LOIS BYRD Record Staff Writer The Harnett County Grand Jury concluding a busy three day session around 1 p. m. Wednesday made a report which showed continued support of improvements to the public schools and appreciation for the efficient services of the highway patrolmen stationed in this county.

Carl Womble of Lillington, foreman of the grand jury, signed the report.

Grand jurors ordered incorporated in their report a recent survey of school plant facilities and needed repairs and additions as made by the county board of education. Every school district in the county but one lists specific requests.

URGENT PROJECTS

However, four projects are listed as immediate and urgent. They include:

- 1. New school plant, consolidating Johnsonville and Ridgeway Negro schools. The plant should contain at least 15 class rooms with other necessary facilities.
2. Consolidation of Angier, Bethlehem, Cedar Grove, McLean's Chapel and Norrington schools, elementary schools located in the area around Shawtown. The possibilities are open to either provide necessary facilities at Shawtown for all grades, or locate an elementary school at Lillington, taking grades one to eight in the area around Angier, Cedar Grove and Norrington.
3. Two classrooms at Dunn elementary school, grades one to four. Additional classrooms for grades one to four at Lillington elementary school.



LUCKY MAN — This driver, Benjamin Grady Floyd, Jr., 33-year-old manager of the Modern Finance Company of Lumberton, doesn't need Highway Patrolman Herman Ward, left, to tell him he is a lucky man. Floyd, who says he's a church-going Baptist, climbed out of this demolished automobile with only a small cut on his left leg and a patch of mud on the back of his white shirt. Officers found that in the Tuesday afternoon rain storm, Floyd's 1952 Ford coach travelling South on 15-A went out of control one mile South of Bunnlevel. Car skidded 180 feet before it overturned twice and came to rest in a field. Floyd, alone at the time, was on his way to Lumberton from Raleigh. No other vehicle was involved. Company checks totaling \$50,000 were also saved from wreckage. (Photo by T. M. Stewart).

Calls Meeting That May Lead To Big 4 Parley

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower today called a meeting with British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and French Premier Rene Mayer which could lead to a Big Four world peace conference with Russia later.

The Big Three parley probably will be held in Bermuda late in June.

The White House said Mr. Eisenhower took the initiative in calling the Big Three meeting to develop "common viewpoints" on many problems that "must be solved cooperatively so that the cause of world peace may be advanced."

SEEK 'UNITY OF VIEWS'

It made no mention of a possible later meeting with Russia. But Mayer said in Paris that the session was being called to hammer out a "unity of views" for a Big Four conference with Russia. And Churchill said he hopes the Bermuda talks will lead to another meeting of "far graver import."

Diplomatic informants here, however, emphasized that the Bermuda meeting—Mr. Eisenhower's first big power parley—should not be interpreted as a commitment that a Big Four meeting will be held.

Mr. Eisenhower's dramatic gesture served to put psychological pressure on the Soviet Union to display evidence it seeks world peace.

The President has never had a parley with the Soviet Union. He wants to see some concrete evidence on Russia's part that such a meeting would be productive and not a sham.

The decision to call the meeting reached by Mr. Eisenhower himself at a late hour yesterday, Administration sources said, he decided it was time the United States, Britain, and France got together to "iron out their problems." Churchill told the House of Commons that "President Eisenhower has expressed a wish for a personal meeting with the French prime minister and myself to discuss our common problems."

INVITED BY PHONE It was understood that the (Continued On Page Six)

Benson Warns Controls May Be Put On Cotton In 1954

CLEVELAND — The U. S. Department of Agriculture Secretary, Charles Benson, said today the government is considering controls on cotton in 1954.

Benson told the Associated Press here that acreage and production quotas for the 1954 crop will be "unavoidable" if domestic and export demands are exceeded by more than 30 per cent.

"Reluctant as I would be to have to invoke marketing and acreage controls, I would have no choice under the law," he said.

LARGER CROP SEEN

Agricultural and banking leaders here, agreed almost unanimously that this year's cotton crop will be greater than last year. However, recent rains and floodwaters which have washed away up to one-fourth of the cotton in some areas and delayed plantings may decrease the expected crop size.

Benson said the "most serious problem" currently facing the industry is the sharp drop in cotton exports. He predicted that for (Continued On Page Two)

Carolina Ginners Will Move Offices

Announcement was made today by Clifford H. Hardy, Executive Secretary of the Carolina Ginners Association, Inc. that the headquarters of the association is to be moved from its present location in Dunn, N. C. where the offices were located for three years prior to moving to Dunn.

This move is being made in accordance with the decision of the Board of Directors to establish a permanent location for the association offices in as central a location as possible in regard to cotton production and ginning operations in the two Carolinas and Virginia. In the past it has been the policy to locate the office in the home town of the president officer. Myron W. Tishman of Dunn, N. C. is serving his second year as president of the association.

FACTORS INVOLVED It is believed that the increased mechanization and experimental work going on in the Pee Dee area of South Carolina will be a great advantage to the organization and its promotional efforts. Additional cotton manufacturing coming into this area also influenced the selection of Bennettsville as the permanent location for the Association which is composed of cotton ginners in the two Carolinas and Virginia.

Mayer Regime Is Overthrown

PARIS — Rene Mayer, premier of the right-wing French government, was overthrown tonight by the National Assembly, leaving France temporarily without a government amid ambitious plans for a big three meeting of Mayer, Prime Minister Churchill and President Eisenhower.

Mayer's government lost a confidence vote on his controversial economy budget and tax program. A dramatic last minute announcement of the planned Big Three meeting and a possible "far graver" meeting of the three Western leaders with Soviet Premier Georgi Malenkov failed to save off defeat.

WONT AFFECT MEETING

Government spokesmen said the fall of Mayer will not affect plans for the Big Three meeting. "Whoever is the new French premier will attend the meeting in (Continued On Page Three)

Flood Hits Louisiana, Texas

NEW ORLEANS — A great flood—at some points the worst in Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Tennessee in spring's latest sleet of bad weather. Property damage soared toward the \$300,000,000 mark. Losses in Louisiana alone were estimated at \$150,000,000 by farm and state officials.

The critical spot today was inside a rough triangle with Deweyville, Tex., on the western end, Jennings, La., on the east and Kinderhook, La., at the apex. At Deweyville pop. 850 75 families fled their homes when the swollen Sabine River broke, spilling water into dwellings.

The Red Cross, moving clothing, shelter and food wherever necessary, was operating out of headquarters in Alexandria, La. It estimated at noon that 23,000 were homeless.

The Louisiana death toll rose to six with the drowning of Joe Huntzberry, 14, who disappeared into a flooded gully at Broussard. There were two deaths in Mississippi, one in Texas and one in Tennessee.

The Right Name, Wrong Person; It Was A Lady

Maybe, there's nothing in a name, but Granville Tart thinks there's plenty—well, plenty of embarrassment.

Solicitor Jack Hooks was calling the trial docket at the opening day of a criminal term of Harnett Superior Court. "Granville Tart," called the solicitor, reading from the docket where a person by that name was charged with forgery. Hearing no answer, Hooks demanded, "Call him, sheriff." About that time a feminine voice at the back of the courtroom said, "Here."

Presiding Judge J. Paul Frizzell said, "I think there was an answer." "Go get your hands on him," said the solicitor. But the judge captioned, "Well, I wouldn't be in too big a hurry to do that; it looks like it is a lady."

Meanwhile, Deputy Sheriff Ken Mattewson, going to the back of the courtroom to investigate found that Granville Tart was a young spectator. She and her girl friends had stopped by to look in on court. Unfamiliar with procedure she had answered when she suddenly heard her name called.

Defendant Tart, a man, was among the minister at that time. Spectator Tart caught on, however, fast. She made a bee line for the nearest exit!

Benson Robbery Is Investigated

Police Chief Johnny Medlin of Benson is investigating the robbery of the Benson Motor Company in (Continued On Page Five)

Hill Family Won't Sell Erwin Stock

DURHAM — George Watts Hill, a member of the board of directors of Erwin Mills, Inc. told stockholders of the company today that the Hill family is not planning to sell its stock in the company to Abney Mills and that it "does not want control of Erwin Mills. But would like to see the stock as widely distributed to as many stockholders as possible."

Declaring that "for such value as it may be to you, I do not want to sell my stock at \$15.125 per share when book value was \$24.50 last Sept. 30," he attached a record of dividend payments by Erwin over recent years and stated that "Erwin stockholders should be interested in obtaining full information concerning the dividend policy Abney Mills have followed with respect to its own stockholders."

BULLETINS

COPENHAGEN — The Russian-built MIG-15 landed yesterday on Bornholm Island is the same type as the Soviet-made jet "delivered" to the free world by the same route 10 weeks ago, it was announced today.

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower cancelled his weekly news conference today. White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said Mr. Eisenhower had a heavy schedule of other appointments and felt that he had covered his major news announcements in Tuesday night's radio speech.

WASHINGTON — The administration is ready to press Congress for action on the longstalled project to create a military academy for the Air Force, Pentagon sources said today. The Defense Department is expected to send a message to Congress urging that legislation (Continued on page two)

Hudson Death Case Is Nearing Jurors

Evidence was completed early this afternoon in the case of Benny Mason, 17-year-old Erwin student on trial in Harnett Superior Court for manslaughter in the death of five-year-old Warren Lee Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kis Hudson of Dunn.

Mason, already on probation, allegedly drove his automobile wildly into the yard where the child was playing, crushing him to death. He was reportedly playing hockey from school at the time of the wild automobile ride through a secluded residential area here.

The case was not expected to go to the jury until Friday. Arguments were started about 3 o'clock. Solicitor Jack Hooks put on four witnesses before the State abruptly called it case and the defense did not offer any evidence.

NONSUIT MOTION DENIED Defense Attorney Neil McKel Salmon and Glenn Hooper, Jr., made a motion that the case be nolle prossed on grounds that there was not sufficient evidence for the case to go to the jury. Judge J. Paul Frizzell quickly denied (Continued on page five)

Last Minute News Shorts

PARIS — The fall of Premier Rene Mayer's government appeared likely today as De Gaulle's deputies announced they had decided overwhelmingly to vote against Mayer in a scheduled confidence test tonight. A spokesman for the powerful De Gaulle parliamentary group said 70 of its members had agreed to vote against Mayer and 13 others would abstain.

COLUMBUS, O. — Extradition papers for the return of Dewey Brooks, wanted in the hit-and-run death of a Dayton youth last Friday night, were expected to reach the governor of North Carolina today for action. Brooks, an Asheville, N. C. man, is being held by Asheville authorities in the death (Continued on next page)

MARKETS

COTTON NEW YORK — Cotton futures prices at noon EST today: New York July 44.18; Oct. 33.76; New Orleans July 44.16; Oct. 33.77.

HOOPS RALEIGH — The hog markets: Whitesville, Lumberton, Clinton: 36 higher at 23.50. Dunn, Goldsboro, Mt. Olive, Warsaw: 36 higher at 23.50. (Continued on page two)

SEND 'EM IN — We invite you to be in contributions for this column. If you have an important notice, a meeting coming up or other items of interest to the public, give us a ring or drop us a card and we'll be happy to print it for you.

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+ Record Roundup +

ROUNDUP — The Daily Record today is resuming "The Record Roundup," a feature of this newspaper when it was first established. For some reason or other, the column was discontinued. Such a column is interesting to the public and useful to a newspaper's staff for those little items worth mentioning but not important enough for a big story.

A BIG JOB — The Daily Record, which is the county's only complete newspaper, carries many copies, pencils, columns and other features. Covering all the local and area happenings and reporting briefly on the big news of the State, nation and world, as well, is a big job. It is difficult to departmentalize everything.

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