

NORTH CAROLINA - Fairly cloudy and warm but not so humid today, tonight and Friday. Scattered thundershowers south portion Friday afternoon.

Agreement Between South Korea, U. S. Reported



PRESENT PLAQUES - Roy Love, left, president of the Dunn Jaycees, looks on as Bob Leak presents safety plaques to winners in the driving contest held here recently. Others shown besides Love are, (l. to r.) Henry Sandlin, Jr., winner of third prize, Bobby Barefoot, second prize, Murphy Upchurch, first prize, and Bob Leak, chairman of the project. Upchurch was also third place winner in the state finals. (Daily Record Photo)

Compromise On Basic Issues May Bring Truce

SEOUL, Korea, Saturday (AP) - South Korea and the United States have reached virtual agreement on a compromise armistice plan, reliable sources said today.

President Syngman Rhee and assistant Secretary of State Walter S. Robertson were reported to have completed the main part of their conversations to remove South Korean opposition to a settlement of the three-year-old Korean War.

Sources close to the Rhee-Robertson "little truce" talks said neither side got all it wanted and neither gave ironclad guarantees. They have, however, reached tentative basic agreement, it was reported.

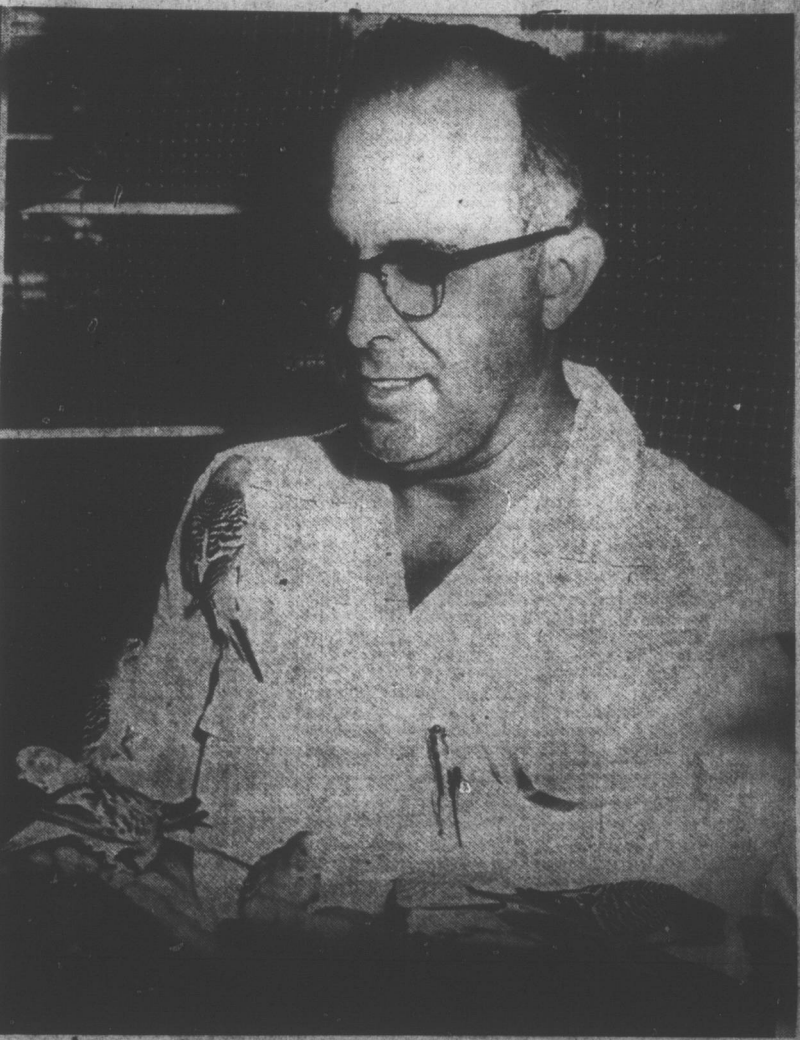
Rhee had held out for a three-month time limit on a post-armistice political conference to unify Korea and a mutual security pact with the United States.

MAY NOT PLEASE REDS Sources said the agreement may not satisfy the Communists, who were reported demanding that the United Nations use military force to hold Rhee in line.

But the reports were the most optimistic since three weeks ago when Rhee upset the all but signed truce agreement by ordering the release of 27,000 anti-Communist North Korean prisoners.

It was understood that the United States had not given Rhee an iron-clad guarantee to fight on in the event the post-armistice political conference failed to unify Korea.

And it was understood that South Korea had not given a promise that it would respect a cease-fire if it appeared that the U. N. was losing out in post-armistice diplomatic talks.



PARRAKEET LOVER - James Surles of 611 N. McKay is shown petting a few of his 155 parakeets. When no cameras are around, the birds use his glasses as a roost. (Daily Record Photo)

Dunn Man Discovers Raising Parakeets Fascinating Hobby

By CARL CONNER Record Staff Writer Almost anyone can enjoy the singing of birds in the spring, but James Surles of 611 N. McKay enjoys a complete chorus of birds all year round. He raises parakeets as a hobby.

Record High Budget For Dunn-Proposed

City Manager A. B. Uzzle presented the annual Budget to the Town Board last night in a special session. No decrease in the tax rate was indicated. A net increase of \$13,190 in the entire budget was proposed.

Mr. Uzzle suggested that the tax rate remain at \$1.85 which is as high as the law will allow.

Little sentiment was heard at last night's meeting for trying to reduce the tax rate.

The estimated budget for 1953 is \$247,560.48 as against \$234,160 for 1952-53. This sum will be increased by \$4,000 or maybe more if the city decided to purchase new parking meters, Uzzle stated.

At the beginning of the meeting, all four Board members were present along with Uzzle and City Clerk Charles R. Storey. Uzzle went (Continued On Page Six)

THEATRE TAX OFF WASHINGTON (AP) - The House Ways and Means Committee today voted, 22 to 5, to repeal the 30 per cent federal tax on movie theatre admissions.

BULLETINS BERLIN (AP) - Informed sources said today the Soviets are reinforcing the 300,000-man occupation force in East Germany as a result of uprisings against Communist rule.

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) - A dynamic explosion damaged a city bus last night in another act of violence stemming from a five-week transit strike here. No one was injured. Witnesses said a stick of dynamite was tossed beneath the bus from a green sedan which was occupied by two men and which bore no license tag. The sedan sped away as the dynamite exploded.

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) - Health officials gathered at this scene of a major polio outbreak have a prediction that a vaccine for the dread disease will be developed within two or three years.

House Committee Makes Huge Slashes In Budget

WASHINGTON (AP) - The House Appropriations Committee today cut a whopping \$91,840,500 from the \$1,069,996,084 requested for more than a dozen agencies including Air Force construction, Voice of America, and civil defense.

The committee approved only \$160,155,884 of the requested funds. That was a slash of 84 per cent, the biggest cut in a major appropriations bill in the memory of veteran legislative observers.

Eliminated entirely was the Truman administration request for \$700,000,000 in new funds for Air Force bases at home and abroad. President Eisenhower had pared the request to \$400,000,000. The committee cut all of that out, too, but approved \$240,776,000 for construction out of funds already appropriated but not obligated.

OTHER ITEMS Other items in the bill for the fiscal year which started July 1, include:

Civil Defense: Approved \$37,700,000, a cut of \$67,450,000 from President Eisenhower's request.

Internal information and educational activities: Approved \$60,000,000, a cut of \$19,600,000 from the request. In addition, the committee topped off \$20,200,000 for new radio facilities for the overseas propaganda program.

Defense production activities: Approved \$8740,000, a cut of \$6,400,000 from the request.

The committee, in a report sharply criticized the Air Force and Voice of America.

Beria Sacrificed In Palace Revolt

LONDON (AP) - Lavrenti P. Beria, Russian minister of the interior, was sacrificed in a "palace revolution" which also could bring about the downfall of Premier Georgi M. Malenkov.

Many Western observers believe that all real power now has passed to the rival Kremlin faction headed by Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov and Defense Minister Nikolai Bulganin.

Beria's dramatic and totally unexpected dismissal from all his government posts and his expulsion from the Communist party has reversed completely the situation created after the death of Stalin. Then it was Malenkov No. 1 in the government and party and Beria No. 2.

Western diplomats believe that Molotov and Bulganin, in achieving the almost impossible, did it by securing army backing and confronting Malenkov with the alternative of dumping Beria or facing open revolt.

It has been felt for some time that it was Beria who pressed for and initiated some of the reforms introduced in Russia in the four months since Stalin's death.

15 Killed In Forest Blaze

WILLOWS, Calif. (AP) - Fifteen missionary trainees were killed last night when a forest fire they had temporarily controlled surged up again and swept through their camp while they were eating.

The trainees were members of the New Tribes Mission, a Protestant group in training at Fosts Springs, Calif., for jungle missionary work.

The fire broke out yesterday 2 1/2 miles northwest of here in a canyon on the Pacific Coast range. The fire was believed controlled last night about 10 p. m. and the group of 34 firefighters from the mission sat down to eat.

One spot fire broke out again across the canyon and, pushed by a 15-mile an hour wind, swept through the camp just as the religious men said grace.

Nine of the men climbed a rope out of the canyon and escaped down a fire trail cut by a bulldozer.

The bodies were found at the camp site, except for one found about a quarter of a mile away.

You Can Make Date To Get Licenses

Beginning Monday, July 13, persons interested in securing drivers licenses may obtain them by making an appointment in (Continued on Page Four)

Harnett Reports 21 Accidents In June

Twenty one traffic accidents occurred during the month of June with a total property damage of \$10,460, compared to 21 accidents with a property damage of \$214,520 for June, 1952.

During June, 1953, two persons were killed in traffic accidents while none were killed during June, 1952.

So far this year 13 persons have been killed in traffic mishaps while only 12 were killed for the same period last year. However, last year at the end of June, 23 persons had been injured compared to 66 this year for the same period.

Through June, 1952, property damage was \$230,475 while property damage this year for the same time has been only \$68,410.

Home Is Hit By Lightning

During the severe electrical storm on Tuesday around 8:30 p. m. a bolt of lightning struck the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Thomas on N. Street within a block of Alton Salmon's store in Lillington.

The lightning shattered into bits the electrical fixture in the ceiling of the room but failed to hit any of the three persons seated at a table directly under the light. They were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Lissie Brown, a neighbor.

Mrs. Thomas said she was stunned momentarily by the bolt and that the lights went out. They found that the lightning apparently passed through the ceiling.

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Power To Be Off On Sunday

There will be a short interruption in electrical service from Cumberland Street south Sunday from 2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

There will be no service from where South Orange Avenue crosses East Cumberland to Erwin, Teachings, Winderstown, Dunn-Erwin Highway and South Eastern Section of Dunn will be areas affected.

This interruption is chosen as the time when the least number of customers would be affected. Some poles must be moved off the Dunn-Erwin Highway in the course of the interruption in service, announced, H. M. Tyler, Manager.

MARKETS EGGS AND POULTRY

RALPH (AP) - Central North Carolina live poultry: Fryers or broilers steady, supplies adequate, demand good; heavy hens steady, supplies plentiful, demand fair. Prices at farm up to 10 a. m. today: Fryers or broilers 24 to 3 lbs. 27; heavy hens 23-25, mostly 23-25.

Eggs steady, supplies short, demand fair. (Continued On Page Six)

Chamber Faces Busy Schedule

Next week promises to be a busy one for the Dunn Chamber of Commerce. Several major meetings have already been scheduled according to Manager Norman J. Suttles.

On Wednesday a joint meeting of the directors and chairmen of all standing committees will meet at Johnson's Restaurant to hear quarterly reports. The meeting is set for 7 p. m. with Henry Sandlin, presiding.

Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock the Recreation Commission will meet at the Chamber office with Wayne Jusseum presiding.

The National Affairs Committee will meet at Johnson's Restaurant for lunch Wednesday for a general meeting. William (Bill) Stevenson, U. S. Chamber of Commerce Program Director for the Southeastern District will be speaker. Mr. Stevenson has headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla. Emmett Aldridge, chairman of the National Affairs Committee, will preside.

+ Record Roundup +

GETS HIGH HONOR - A high honor has come to a former Dunn youth Hank Aldridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. (Bill) Aldridge, Jr., of Bradenton, Fla., was selected as Youth Governor for the State of Florida recently and presided over Florida's annual Boy's State. Like his father, Hank has a magnificent personality and proved successful in youth politics. He is well known in Dunn.

OAKDALE NEWS - The Oakdale community is one of the finest in Harnett County and is a section in which The Daily Record is widely read. The Record has ap-

peared the services of Mrs. Arthur Ceppo in reporting news happenings in this splendid progressive community. Mrs. Ceppo's first column of news, which will appear at least once each week will be found on the front page of the second section today.

WACATERS IN DUNN - No. 10, the General, had one of his famous sayings, Jack Hemingway, manager of the Soda Shop, has taken a vacation. But he wants his customers to know that it is just a vacation. On the window of the shop is the sign - "I Shall (Continued On Page Six)