

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA. — Fair west and partly cloudy east portion today. Mild today and cool again tonight. Saturday partly cloudy and warm with chance of showers near the coast.

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Dunn Negro Given Life In Prison; Other Cases Heard



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Large Number Of Cases Are Disposed Of

Arthur Matthews, 23 year old Dunn Negro was sentenced to life imprisonment Friday by W. H. S. Burgwyn after the defendant had entered a plea of guilty to second degree housebreaking.

Melvin Haire of North Layton Ave., Dunn, identified Matthews as the Negro man he saw jump out of the window of the Haire bedroom after an alarm from Mrs. Haire. Haire told the court his wife said she felt the hand of an intruder reach up on the bed and cried out in alarm.

The break-in occurred at 2:30 a. m. May 24, Dunn police officers reported. Officer K. M. Fall said officers immediately sought Matthews, whom they knew by sight, and several days later arrested him at his home. His arrest followed report of another attempted break-in at the home of Dr. Harvey Eldridge. Matthews was not charged with entering the Eldridge home.

Case against Elwood Oates, Dunn Negro charged with assault with deadly weapon on Isaac Lee Gethers, another Negro, was dismissed by the court at close of state's evidence.

Gethers sustained permanent head injuries as result of a lick on the head with a board as he was sleeping in an apartment in Dunn. Several other persons were in the same place and the court ruled there was lack of evidence to place Oates as the guilty person.

James Paul Stubbs, who entered a guilty plea to driving an automobile while intoxicated was fined \$100 and costs.

Oscar Dorman was found guilty of careless and reckless driving. (Continued on page two).



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Members Of Advent Church Doing Their Own Building

Weed Forecast Lowered Again

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department has lowered its forecast of the 1953 tobacco crop slightly since last month's estimate. The newest forecast is 2,034,697,000 pounds.

The department said yesterday that the 2 1/2 per cent reduction from the previous forecast resulted mainly from dry weather which hit hard at the flue cured crops of Virginia and North Carolina.

But a slight reduction in the estimate was also found in order for fire-cured, dark air-cured and cigar biller and binder tobacco, the department said. Burley and Maryland tobacco prospects remained unchanged.

The national tobacco estimate compares with last month's crop forecast of 2,085,000,000 pounds, 1952 output of 2,542,855,000 pounds, and a 10-year average production of 1,948,844,000 pounds.

Georgia crop prospects improved during the month to 181,847,000 pounds. The estimate in August was 125,085,000 pounds.

The flue-cured crop is now estimated at 1,225,000,000 pounds; burley, 579,000,000; Maryland, 37,600,000; fire-cured, 57,100,000, and dark air-cured, 31,700,000.

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man (AP) — The powerful British Trade Union Congress overwhelmingly defeated a series of left wing resolutions today at the last meeting of its annual session.

Thirty-one faithful and devoted members of the Dunn Advent Christian Church are proving that where there's a will there's a way.

With the sweat of their brow, their off-time labor and all the money they can spare, they're building a large beautiful church here at a cost of approximately \$20,000. That figure, roughly, a little more than \$650 apiece for every man, woman and child in the church. It's a big job and it may take a long time because they're paying for it as they build, but they aren't the least bit discouraged.

"I've never seen such a wonderful spirit," declares the Rev. Lee W. Stancil, pastor of the church, and Monroe Allen, chairman of the building committee.

The building program hasn't been underway long, but already the church walls are about half completed.

ORGANIZED LAST YEAR — The church wasn't organized until last October 11, with 18 members, and a movement to erect the building was started that very day.

Monroe Allen, one of the organizers of the church and an employee of Godwin Building Supply Co. here, suggested the idea for (Continued on page two)

Clerk Reports Record Tax

Receipts in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Harnett County during August broke all previous monthly records since the county was established. Clerk Robert Morgan told commissioners this week.

A total of \$7,696.93 was collected, largely as a result of the drive instigated by the Harnett Recorder's Court to collect all past due court costs.

Fines and forfeitures in Recorder's Court in Lillington collected by the clerk amounted to \$4,648.10. The county school funds is that much richer and Superintendent G. T. Proffitt said the schools were "happy" to get it.

Civil and criminal actions in Recorder's Court accounted for \$2,467.20. Other monies came from the following sources: from trust commissions, \$37.18; from civil and criminal actions and special proceedings in the superior court, \$123.25; from probates \$421.20.

Around 200 capias issued during the month warned convicted defendants delinquent in court (Continued on Page Seven)

Local Market Expected To Break Record

Tobacco sales on the Dunn Market this year are running more than 1,000,000 pounds ahead of the same period last year, according to a report released today by Sales Supervisor Norman Suttles.

On September 10 of last year, the market had sold only 2,515,310 pounds for an average of \$48.49.

On September 10 of this year, the Dunn market has sold 3,628,394 pounds for an average of \$55.31.

This represents a net gain in poundage of 1,113,084 pounds. The average is \$6.82 per hundred higher than a year ago.

RAPID GROWTH — These figures, pointed out Suttles, represent the growth and progress shown by the Dunn Tobacco Market, fastest growing market in all of tobacco land.

Some other markets in the belt have reported a sharp drop in sales this year while the Dunn market has been steadily gaining.

Dunn has two large and progressive warehouse organizations. The Big-4 group of warehouses is headed by Buck Curpin and the Planters group of warehouses is headed by Rodney Chestnut.

Local warehousemen report that tobacco is now selling for the highest figure in the history of the Dunn market or any other market, and farmers are especially well pleased with the prices received here.

YESTERDAY'S SALES — Tobacco sales hit 312,238 pounds yesterday with an average of \$53.68 per hundred pounds.

So far the average for the year is \$55.08 per hundred pounds. Sales Supervisor Suttles said today that 3,628,394 pounds of tobacco has been sold for \$1,988,361.14 this year.

Minor Accident Reported Here

Damages estimated at \$125 resulted from a minor accident on N. Wilson Avenue yesterday according to the Police Department.

A 1952 Oldsmobile driven by Geraldine Hockaday Lee, Benson, Route 3, was damaged \$75 when she pulled out from a parking space and was hit in the left side.

Ferry Louise Robinson, Dunn, was the driver of a 1953 Oldsmobile. Damages were listed at \$50. No charges were made.

Dunn's Junior Dairy Show Is Acclaimed Big Success

Harnett Finances In Good Condition

County commissioners spent greater part of the afternoon Tuesday with Thurman C. Ennis, head of the auditing firm which has just completed the audit of all departments of the county government.

And while details of the audit have yet to be released, commissioners reported they found the county's financial condition "was excellent."

Routine matters dealing with the start of work on the new health center to be built in Lillington by the county and the Medical Care Commission were being handled when a call to the Medical Care Commission revealed that an offer to donate a site for the new health center had been received by the state agency.

Previously, the Medical Care Commission had inspected and tentatively approved the North East corner of the present court house square. Exact site of the proposed donation, or name of the donor could not be learned by commissioners.

Turner To Conduct Tabernacle Meet

Revival services will begin at the Gospel Tabernacle Tuesday evening, September 15, at 7:45 with Dr. W. H. Turner as guest minister, Rev. B. T. Underwood, pastor announced today.

Dr. Turner is a returned missionary from China, having served 28 years on the foreign field. During the war with Japan, he and his wife were prisoners of the Japanese for two years.

Including his writings on his wide range of missionary experience, Dr. Turner has authored more than 45 books. Among the more outstanding of "I Was A Japanese Prisoner."

He attended the University of Georgia where he received his M. A. and Ph. D. degrees.

CHURCH CONSULTANT — Because of his many years experience as a missionary, Dr. Turner is a consultant for a number of churches on missionary work. He is a former executive secretary of the Pentecostal Holiness Missionary Board.

Although he is not able to return to China, Dr. Turner is still a world traveler. Recently he has (Continued on page two)

Young Slayer Enters Plea

Marvin West, Jr., charged with the fatal shooting of Private Aubrey Walters at a service station in the Spring Lake area on May 15th, entered a plea of involuntary manslaughter, shortly after noon Friday in Harnett Superior Court.

West, son of a prominent Harnett political leader, had been placed on trial for murder and evidence had been started.

Presiding Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn promptly sentenced West to serve from 5 to 7 years in State's prison, but suspended the sentence for five years on condition that West remains sober, violates no laws and pays \$2,500 for use of the 19-year-old widow.

PROVES GOOD CHARACTER — Judge Burgwyn passed sentence (Continued On Page Three)

Shell Their Peas While Attending Drive-In Theatre

Mr. and Mrs. Rock Stone of Lillington, Route 1, have found a new way to combine work with pleasure.

Busy with tobacco curing and other tasks, they noticed peas in a big field going begging to be picked and shelled. They started the time to pick the peas.

They did this with a big sack of peas and a couple of milk cans. "You'd be surprised how many peas you can shell while you watch the movie," commented Mrs. Stone. "If you don't believe it, take a look at our freezer locker."

FISH FRY HERE

The event opened last night with a fish fry at Big-4 Warehouse for the contestants and for local businessmen and merchants who participated in the arrangements. Some 900 persons attended the supper.

Following last night's feed, the boys and girls were entertained at a dance at the Dunn Army when some 400 persons attended.

1,000 AT JUDGING — This morning around 1,000 people turned out for the first of the judging which lasted until 3:50 this afternoon.

Cattle were judged in each of six classes including the senior calf, junior yearling, two year olds, three year olds, and four year olds.

The last event was the judging for fitting and trim. Preceding the showing for fitting, the showmanship animals were exhibited.

Wake County turned out in large numbers and took a number of (Continued on Page Three)

BULLETINS

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Hurricane "Dolly" aimed winds of 110 miles per hour northward today toward an expanse of open Atlantic, apparently ending a threat of the Bahama Islands and Florida.

DENVER (AP) — President Eisenhower's leisurely vacation shifted to a period of difficult decision today as he and Vice President Richard M. Nixon worked together on a collection of knotty administration problems.

The President and Nixon flew here from Washington late Thursday and Vice president planned to remain in Denver until Sunday.

FORT BRAGG, N. C. (AP) — An Army psychological war (Continued on page two)

+ Record Roundup +

SCOUT MEETING — Scout officials of Harnett County will meet Monday evening at the Erwin Methodist Church for a round table discussion. Scoutmasters, assistant scoutmasters, commitment, neighborhood commissioners, and other scout officials are requested to attend.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING — A meeting of the Membership Committee of the Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday, September 15, at 2:30 in the Chamber office.



JUDGE CONGRATULATES NEW PARTNERS — Superior Court Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn here extending congratulations to three well-known Harnett attorneys who this week entered into a partnership. Left to right are Judge Burgwyn, Nell Wolf, Solicitor of Lillington, and Solicitors of Dunn; and Glenn L. Hooper, also of Dunn. The new law firm is (Daily Record Photo.)