



SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATES—Pictured here are the Harnett County students who were candidates for the John M. Morehead Scholarships at Carolina. Selected as the county's two nominees were Daley Goff of Dunn and Donald Blalock of Coats. Pictured here, left to right, are, first row, Kenneth Phillips, Coats, Dunbar Stewart, Coats; Donald Blalock, Coats; Frank Wilson, Dunn and Franklin Westbrook, Coats; second row,

Daley Goff, Dunn; Harold Cashwell, Lafayette; Rand Bailey, Jr., LaFayette; Marion Byrd, Lillington; Lloyd Coleman, Lillington; Monroe Spence, Benhaven; third row, Bobby Sauls, Angier; Bobby Stewart, Angier; Bruce Broadwell, Angier; Bobby Smith, Angier; Bobby Duncan, Angier; Sherwood Smith, Angier; John Griffiths, Angier and Bobby Partin, Angier. (Daily Record Photo.)

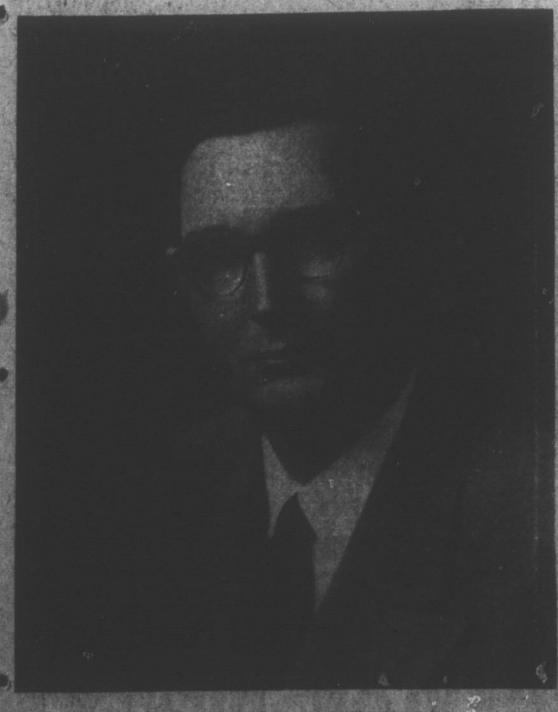
Daley Goff, Donald Blalock Nominated For Scholarships

Cash Registers Ringing Merrily

Cash registers were ringing merrily in Dunn stores today as increasingly larger crowds of Christmas shoppers swarmed here for their last-minute buying. It looked like a big fall Saturday in most of the stores and merchants agreed they're in for still bigger days Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Dunn stores will remain open until 9 p. m. every night until Christmas. To add to the festive spirit of the holiday season, the Chamber of Commerce has arranged to have old Santa Claus in town every afternoon from 4:30 to 5:30. He'll have gifts for all the children. **MERCHANTS' HAPPY** Merchants seemed happier than (Continued on Page 3)

Dr. Dofffermyre Given High Honor



DR. RANDOLPH DOFFFERMYRE
Dr. Randolph Dofffermyre of Dunn, prominent physician, civic, fraternal and religious leader has been invested with the rank and decorations of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor, second highest honor in Masonry. The prominent Dunn citizen, who is also a leader in State medical groups, was formally invested in ceremonies held during the week-end in Greensboro. He is one of the few Dunn Masons ever to attain this honor. He was one of 39 North Carolinians elected to receive the honor at a meeting of the Supreme Council.

Reds Seen As Sure Issue In 1954 Election

WASHINGTON (AP) — The issue of Communists-in-government has been established firmly as of today as a 1954 political issue.

Many Republican candidates for governor, senator and representative plan to make use of that issue next year with the blessing of Republican National Committee Chairman Leonard W. Hall.

A dispute between President Eisenhower and Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) about the present administration's success rooting subversives and security risks out of government, is another matter entirely. It is, at least so far as Republican grand political strategy is concerned.

When Republican politicians talk about Communists - in-government they mean the government under former Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman. When Mr. Eisenhower talks about the issue of Communists-in-government being displaced by more urgent problems by campaign time he may mean Communist infiltration into the present government, of which he is the head.

That was Hall's position when he said on Nov. 15 that Republicans would make Communists-in-government "one of the main issues" in 1954. That was the understanding of some of Mr. Eisenhower's White House advisers who privately passed the word that the Harry Dexter White expose of last month was only the beginning of a series.

Senate Majority Leader William F. Knowland (Calif.) chimed in last week with assurance that Communism-in-government would be a 1954-56 election issue because voters would ask "whether Democratic candidates have the same naive approach as the last Truman administration."

It remained, however, for Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell Jr., to make it official in his capacity as a member of Mr. Eisenhower's cabinet. In a transcribed address to Texans this week, Brownell said he "brought out" the facts on Truman administration handling of the White case because the people were entitled to know what goes on in their government.

Dear Santa;

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little girl nine years old. I am in the 4th grade at Plainview school. I am not asking for much this year, Santa, since you were so good to me last year. So please, bring me what I'm asking for. I want a walking doll and pretty tea set, and don't forget my little sister, Pat. She wants a doll and a stroller. And don't forget the orphan children. And don't forget to bring us some candy, and fruit, and nuts.

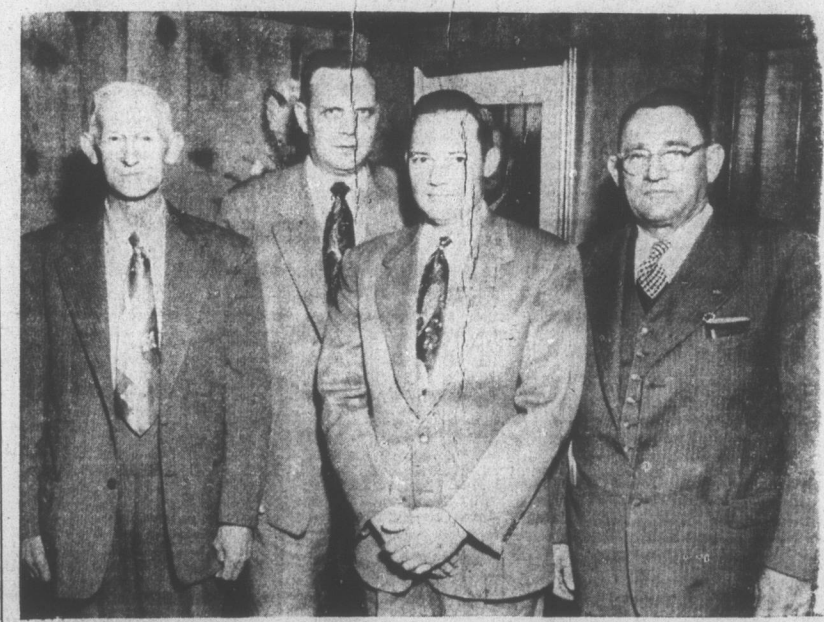
Your friend,
Sue Carol West
Dunn, Rt. 5

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I'm a little boy 7 years old. I am in the second grade. I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a Roy Rogers cowboy suit, truck terminal, a toy typewriter, and a doctor set, some candy and fruit. Please remember all the children in the war torn countries.

Love,
Bruce Bates
809 S. Elm Ave.
DUNN, N. C.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
We heard you like a Christmas tree. We have a Christmas tree. Please hang all you give us on it. I would like a Bible that has a slipper on it. I also would like for my name to be printed on it too. Santa, I will like a nurse suit if you have one. Bring me some candy (Continued on Page Four)

Dunn Chamber Reports Rapid Business Gains During Year In Dunn



ENTERTAIN — Following the business session of the Dunn Production Credit Association this morning at the City Hall, office personnel and directors of the organization were entertained at a Christmas dinner held at Johnson's Restaurant. Pictured above, officers of the Association are, (l. to r.) J. E. Williams, vice president; Her-

man Green, secretary-treasurer; James L. Warren, field office manager in Clinton; and E. E. Seay, president. During the meeting this morning, 72 persons who have been members since the organization was founded, were given certificates of appreciation. (Daily Record Photo)

Many New Firms Opened; Much Building Done

A report on business growth released by Norman J. Suttles, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, today shows an impressive increase in new businesses and new business buildings during 1953.

The report lists 17 new businesses and four which have changed management during the year. Suttles calls attention to the physical changes in Dunn demonstrated by the building of 18 new business houses, and an addition to the hospital, and three church educational additions.

Church additions alone for 1953 have run approximately \$140,000. An addition at the Gospel Tabernacle was completed during the summer which was estimated at \$50,000; an addition earlier at Glad Tidings Church was valued at \$30,000, and work now underway on an addition at the Hood Memorial Christian church is valued at \$60,000. Besides these additions to churches, the Advent Christian group here is now building a church in Dunn, valued at better than \$20,000.

NEW INDUSTRIES
Part of the new business endeavors in Dunn have been in connection with the finer Carolinas contest in which Dunn is entered. One of the projects was to secure at least one new industry during 1953. Counted on this project are the Ben Job's Foundation Garment factory, H. P. Cannon and Son Cannery, and the Ready-Mix Concrete Company.

Other new businesses and changes in business management include Pope's Department Store, Pizle Shoe Store, Baldwin and Mattox, The Gift Shop, Big-4 Restaurant, The Dollar Store, Nick's Watch Shop, Jernigan Plumbing and Heating, W. B. Warren and Company, Dunn Health Center, Four County Curb Market, Matthews Cotton Company, Dunn Tractor and Implement Company, Robins Specialty Shop, Colonial Frozen Foods Abattoir, Harnett Oil Company, Mobil Service Center, Dr. A. V. Suss, optometrist.

NEW BUILDINGS
New buildings, constructed this year include:

Pope's Department Store, Baldwin and Mattox, The Gift Shop, Dr. Hooper and Pearce, new offices; Matthews Cotton Company, Dunn Ready Mix Concrete, Colonial Frozen Foods Abattoir; Westbrook Chevrolet Company, Twyford Printing Company, Dunn Wholesale Grocery, Godwin Building Supply, two warehouses, Quinn's of Dunn, Pope and Nixon, new showroom; Black River Mattress Company, new addition; Mobil Service Center and H. P. Cannon and Son, new addition at the Sash, Door and Millwork.

RESUSCITATION GARAGE
DUNNEDIN, N. C. (AP) — Resuscitation methods can be more accurately taught with a gauge invented here. The gauge, designed by L. Piper, measures the pressure the resuscitator is applying to the patient's back and lungs, enabling him to maintain the 28 pounds pressure that has been established as the most beneficial.

Eisenhower Approves New Defense Program For 1954

Directors Renamed At Dunn PCA Meet

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower has approved a "new look" 1955 defense program that will trim about five billion dollars from the military spending figure for this year, it was learned today.

Informal sources revealed that Mr. Eisenhower also has endorsed the Pentagon's long-range plan for slicing about 600,000 men off the Army, Navy and Marine Corps and boosting the Air Force expansion goal to 137 wings by mid-1957.

The nation's defense chiefs submitted the proposed new military program to the President at a White House meeting last Saturday. Although the general outline of the plan became known, Mr. Eisenhower's action so far has not been made public.

It was learned, however, that he approved the "general order" of approved the "general order of magnitude" of defense spending at a secret meeting of the National Security Council Wednesday. Some details still remain to be worked out before the plan is submitted to Congress next year.

The total budget for the fiscal year beginning next July 1 is understood to call for spending between \$28 billion dollars and \$30 billion dollars on defense. That compares with the spending estimate for the current fiscal year— (Continued on Page 5)

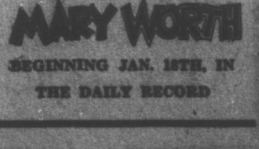
Three retiring members of the Board of Directors of the Dunn Production Credit Association were renamed for a three year term at a meeting observing the 20th anniversary of the founding of the organization, this morning at the City Hall.

Directors who were reelected included, Junius E. Williams, Kyle Harrington, and Sam F. Hudson.

R. A. Darr, president of the Production Credit Corporation, of Columbia, S. C., was principal speaker at the celebration this morning. "You have a record of which to be proud," Darr told the Association members, "and you should strive to keep it."

Darr called on the members of the coop to not only support their own organization, but to "support all farm agencies." In closing he called attention to the Christmas season and urged the Association members to remember the "Prince of Peace during this season."

Herman Green, executive secretary of the Association, opened the meeting by discussing the finances of the organization since it was founded in 1933. Using several large charts explaining the finances of the Association, Green pointed out that the 20 years have been successful for the farmer members.



+ Record Roundup +

THRILLS, SUSPENSE
... and Romance
... are three words that could describe the newest member in our comic page family... A picture serial as exciting as an absorbing novel that never ends! You'll not want to miss a single day of **MARY WORTH** BEGINNING JAN. 15TH, IN THE DAILY RECORD

No Wire Copy

The Daily Record regrets that because telephone lines are down between Dunn and Raleigh today there is no State, national or international news in today's issue. The Record's United Press teletype service is operated via telephone lines, coming through Raleigh.

Four Injured In Series Of Wrecks

Four persons were injured, two of them seriously, in automobile accidents in the Dunn area during the weekend, the State Highway Patrol reported today.

Record Roundup

ARRESTED — Listed on the arrest list over the weekend were, Cary Washington Jr., of E. Surles, on two counts of drunkenness; Alex Washington, Red Lins, drunk; Willie Spearman, E. Tomson, drunk; Ida Bell Jones, Red Brown, drunk; Clifford McDuffy, E. Harnett, assault with a deadly weapon; Roosevelt Smith, Erwin, Rt. 1, drunkenness; and Eriens Adams, Lillington, Route 1, drunk.

Thrills, Suspense

ONE CASE — Only one case was disposed of in Dunn Recorder's Court this morning. Clifford McDuffy received 30 days in jail, suspended for 12 months on payment of \$5 and cost for assault with a deadly weapon. One case was continued.