

North Carolina — Sunny and mild today and Tuesday. Fair and cold tonight. Low near 30 in mountains, 25-30 elsewhere.

JERNIGAN TRIALS ARE POSTPONED



HAPPY MINSTREL MAN — The old-time minstrel will be revived here Thursday night when the Dunn Lions Club will present Minstrel Varieties in the Dunn High School Auditorium. It'll be a gay, hilarious, musical event. Shows here in his big bow tie is Lion John Weddie, poplar manager of Leder Brothers Department Store. Those who have seen rehearsals report that John does an act that'll bring down the house. (Daily Record Photo.)

Compromise On Bricker Bill Runs Into Snag

By UNITED PRESS Administration objections produced a new snag today in Republican efforts to reach a compromise on the controversial Bricker Amendment.

President Eisenhower delayed taking a formal stand on the latest compromise until he could discuss it with Republican congressional leaders at their weekly legislative conference at the White House today.

The Justice Department, according to a high administration source, has notified Mr. Eisenhower that it considers the bipartisan proposal unacceptable in its present form.

And State Department officials, it was learned, believe a key clause might substantially curtail the president's powers by barring executive agreements from becoming law without an act of Congress.

Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland, Calif., hinted that the peace formula might have to be revised even though Sen. John W. Bricker (R-Ohio) publicly endorsed it Sunday night.

Most GOP leaders were optimistic about acceptance of the new peace formula, but Knowland said "The thing is still open for discussion."

OTHER HAPPENINGS Other congressional news: Poland; Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D-Ill.) charged American relief packages are being used by Communist Poland to finance subversive activities in the United States. He urged Attorney general Herbert Brownell Jr. in a letter to investigate the official Polish agency - PEO Trade Incorporation - with a view toward withdrawing its license in this country.

U. N. A House foreign affairs subcommittee said there has been a sharp drop in the number of U. S. employees hired at the United Nations because of the lengthy security investigations. It said "as a result more foreigners who may be 'greater risks' are being hired by international agencies of the U. N. and recommended a speed-up of security checks for American bases. Army and Naval officials told the House Appropriations Committee construction of four U. S. air bases and seven naval sites will be started in Spain in May. They said there is "no problem" about their use by the United States in case of war.

Property: A Senate subcommittee said the Truman Administration chose officials to run enemy firms seized during World War II through "personal and political considerations."

Defense: Democrats attacked the Eisenhower Administration's "new look" military program, charging it fails to provide this nation with adequate defense. They said emphasis on air-strike retaliation might invite further Communist aggression.



NO GUM, BUT CANDY — When J. A. Young, 18-year-old senior student at Hallsboro High School in Columbus County who has just captured national headlines as the champion chewing gum chewer of the world, says there is at least one other thing he has always aspired to do — that is, put three whole sections in his mouth at one time.

Wells (left) feeds the youth a stick of hard candy manufactured in Dunn while the newly appointed Sales Manager Thurman Maxwell (center) holds a box with more candy if needed. (Daily Record Photo)

Insurance Firms Claim Merchant Is Still Alive

Insurance company attorneys won a postponement today in trial of suits brought against them to force payment of premiums on the life of Houston H. Jernigan, reported drowned last August 13th at Wrightsville Beach, after telling the court they'll undertake to prove that the prominent merchant is still alive.

Julius Smith of Greensboro, chief counsel for the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, said during his arguments for postponement of the trial that they will seek to prove their contention that "a well-conceived plan for disappearance" of Jernigan existed.

Jernigan had policies totaling about \$280,000 and a total of 15 suits have been brought by his widow, Mrs. Alberta Wadsworth Jernigan, to force various companies to pay off.

The Dunn merchant was reportedly drowned at the height of an intense hurricane while fishing at Wrightsville.

In their answer to the suits, the various companies previously denied that Jernigan is dead, but Smith's assertion today came as the first indication that they will seek to prove mysterious disappearance of the merchant.

CITE FINANCIAL TROUBLE Smith and other attorneys today described Jernigan as a man who was bankrupt in 1951, still in serious financial difficulties in 1952 and as a man over-insured far in excess of his ability, to step up the premiums on the huge amount of insurance carried.

Presiding Judge Joseph W. Parker of Windsor granted the motions for continuance of the case and also rejected the plea of Mrs. Jernigan's attorneys that the case be set for trial at the March 30th term.

The insurance company attorneys had charged, in effect, that her attorneys, Duncan C. Wilson, W. A. Johnson and H. Paul Strickland, were trying to railroad trial of the case.

SAYS CASE RUSHED Attorney J. A. McLeod of Dunn, also appearing for Jefferson Standard, (Continued on Page Eight)

Would Be Chewing Gum Champ Visits Here, Will Chew Again

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BULLETIN J. A. Young today said he will not be chewing gum for the rest of his life. He said he has decided to stop chewing gum because of the health risks involved. He said he has decided to stop chewing gum because of the health risks involved.

Banquet Is Held By Chicora Club Here

Around 175 members of the Chicora Country Club were entertained at a dinner at the High School cafeteria Friday evening when trophies were presented to 13 fall winners in the club's golf tournaments.

The meeting was planned by the Publicity and Tournament Committee headed by John Dalrymple assisted by the Ladies' Committee, headed by Mrs. Ed Purdie.

J. R. Cathey served as master of ceremonies and presented the various guests during the evening. Guyton Smith, president of the club, spoke to the group on progress made during 1953 and outlined plans for 1954. He told the members that the club now has 181 members with 108 of them active golf players.

On the program to present entertainment for the evening were Carl Young Jr., who gave a skit of army life; and Frances Wullenwaber, who imitated the men golf players out on the course.

TROPHIES GIVEN Earl Jones presented trophies to the following winners: Ladies' Division: First flight, Mrs. Gene Smith, champion, Mrs. L. W. Griffin, runner-up; Ladies' Championship Flight, Mrs. A. R. Marley, champion, Mrs. Ed Purdie, runner-up.

Men's Division: Championship flight, Bill Milley, (Continued on Page Eight)

Garvin Showing 1954 Cadillac

With its new styling and engineering proclaimed as major advances in modern fine automobile design, the new Cadillac for 1954 was displayed here this morning at Garvin Brothers Oldsmobile and Cadillac on the Fayetteville Highway.

Fred Garvin, manager of the firm, extended to the public a cordial invitation to visit the showrooms and see this beautiful new car.

The fresh styling conception and completely revised chassis and engine of the 1954 Cadillac make it an important forward step in the Division's pursuit of the continuing objective, "Advanced for Garvin."

This strikingly new automobile evolves from the blending of a multitude of totally new features with traditional Cadillac features and with the Cadillac line progression V-8 power plant, standing as a landmark in Cadillac development. (Continued on Page Eight)

Arrangements Are Completed For Dunn Chamber's Banquet

Approximately 250 people are expected to attend the annual banquet of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night at 7 o'clock in the high school cafeteria.

Norman Suttles, manager of the chamber, said today that everything is in readiness for the banquet and that indications point to a record attendance.

Principal speaker will be Lee S. Lee Braxton, prominent Whiteville business man, mayor and widely-known after-dinner speaker.

SANDLIN TO PRESIDE Retiring President Henry H. Sandlin, who has made an outstanding record in office, will preside over the banquet and welcome the visitors. The invocation will be given by the Rev. H. C. T. Underwood, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle.

Mr. Braxton will be introduced by A. Willenwaber. A report on the past year's activities will be made by President Sandlin.

Another feature of the meeting will be the presentation of awards to citizens who have rendered outstanding service during the past year.

Attorney J. Shepard Bryan will present the chamber's award to the "Man of the Year," and A. Lincoln Faulk will present the award to (Continued on Page Five)

Tokyo Greet Marilyn, Joe

TOKYO (U. P.) — Marilyn Monroe and Joe DiMaggio barely escaped injury today when a wildly cheering crowd almost killed them with kindness on their arrival in Tokyo.

An estimated crowd of 4,000 movie and baseball fans mobbed the famous pair as they alighted from a Pan American Stratocruiser at Tokyo International Airport.

Several Japanese climbed atop the roof of their convertible and almost sent it crashing in on the DiMaggios.

Only action by American military police and Japanese police saved the couple from being manhandled by the adoring mob.

So enthusiastic was the crowd that it knocked Japanese photographers from stepladders, swept aside reporters, buffeted Japanese and American airline executives to get a close look at the DiMaggios. The police had to restrain the (Continued on page eight)

BULLETINS

WASHINGTON (U. P.) — President Eisenhower has been advised to object to the latest compromise on the Bricker Amendment on the grounds it might curb his authority to run the nation's foreign affairs. A high administration source said the Justice Department has notified Mr. Eisenhower that it considers the bipartisan proposal unacceptable in its present form. It also was learned that State Department officials believe a key clause might substantially curtail the President's powers by barring executive agreements from becoming law without an act of Congress.

ROME (U. P.) — Former Premier Alcide De Gasperi, who guided Italy during the shaky days after World War II, emerged today as the logical person to end the dangerous political crisis that began with his downfall more than seven months ago. Italy's need for the De Gasperi-type of

These Little Things By HOOVER ADAMS

LITTLE NOTES: Mince McLamb writes that the fishing is good in Florida... He and Frank Saunders are down there wading their hooks... Mrs. Henry Sandlin will go to Florida later this week for a fishing trip... Somebody looked over the big crowd at the Chicora Country Club banquet here Friday night and observed: "Didn't know there were this many money people around here... A list of those present would read like a 'Who's Who' in the Dunn-Erwin section... Mrs. Leona Johnson says she thoroughly enjoyed the skit by Frances Wullenwaber and the hilarious act of J. A. Young of Angier. Both (Continued on Page Five)

Three Women Deny Roosevelt Affair

LOS ANGELES (U. P.) — Three women — two of them former Hollywood actresses — have answered charges they were intimate with James Roosevelt, son of the late president, with derision, humor and sarcasm.

They denied flat denials. One asked for an apology. The center of the cyclone of denials, denials, charges and counter charges, said nothing.

Two women were named in a story supposedly written by House Speaker Carl Albert in 1945. He alleged that they were partners in a marital "misconduct." His wife in a separate maintenance suit, charged intimacies with three more women.

One of the women identified in the letter Mrs. Robert Howard, is former screen starlet Andrea Leeds. She said she "never had a (Continued on Page Two)

+ Record Roundup +

READING LESSONS — Mrs. Mary Downing, representative of the Gins and Company publishing company and a well known reading consultant will visit Hallsboro schools this week. She will give demonstrations and lessons on different age levels in both white and Negro schools. Her reading lessons on Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 2 p.m.

at Harnett County Training School, where she will give a primary demonstration, and J. Lee of Geary School, on Wednesday, Feb. 3, she will be in Angier at 1 p.m. and in Washington and Beaufort, and on Friday at Lenoir and Beaufort schools. (Continued on Page Seven)

Minstrel Slated To Draw Crowd

A capacity crowd is expected Thursday night when the Dunn Lions Club will present Minstrel Varieties at 8 o'clock in the Dunn High School auditorium.

Lions President Jesse Capps and Nathan Canady and Frank Belote, directors of the minstrel, said today that rehearsals have been going well and that the minstrel promises to be the best ever held there.

There will be the usual minstrel men, specialty numbers, a big chorus composed of both men and women, and popular minstrel music.

MINSTREL FAVORITES The chorus will sing such popular minstrel songs as: "Is It True What They Say About Dixie?" "Alexander's Ragtime Band," "Shine On Harvest Moon," "Ain't She Sweet?"

Specialty numbers will be given by Janice Mott, Rilla McLean, Linda Ennis, Jobnie Cloonne, Vicki Upchurch and Sue Ennis.

Special songs will also be presented by a male quartet composed of Frank Belote, Gerald Mann, Lewis West and Guy Hardee.

Those who have seen rehearsals declare the performers are in tip-top shape. Most members of the cast are members of the clubs and (Continued on Page Eight)

Former POW Facing Trial

William V. Stogdill, 32-year-old soldier of Erwin was recently released from a Red prisoner camp in Korea, was arrested here Saturday morning for drunkenness, disorderly conduct, and damage to personal property.

Stogdill was charged with engaging in a brawl at E. F. Johnson's Grill on N. Clinton Avenue. Johnson said today that during the fight, Stogdill knocked a man into a fire by night foot plate glass window. (Continued on Page Five)

Five Arrested In Series Of Raids

Five rural policemen surrounded for a low branch saw. The Negro man piled into the water with one of the officers and gave two men operating the still a chase. Captured were Carson Webb, 22-year-old white man; and Oscar Chance, 37-year-old Negro.

The two men were placed under a \$500 bond each and ordered to appear at the February 16 session of Lillington Recorder's Court.

C. E. Moore, who reported the arrests, said that the five rural police, including himself, snatched the still, and that he walked out on the men to scatter them. As the men ran, they headed into the arms of four policemen, including E. E. Sturgill, A. W. O'Quinn, Stanley Byrd and Wade Stewart. But the two men circled around and headed

DEBT OVERHAUL The two men told the officers that the still was not theirs and wanted to reveal its whereabouts in the county. They will be held in legal custody until their debts are paid. Three white men who were arrested during the raid were released. (Continued on Page Five)