

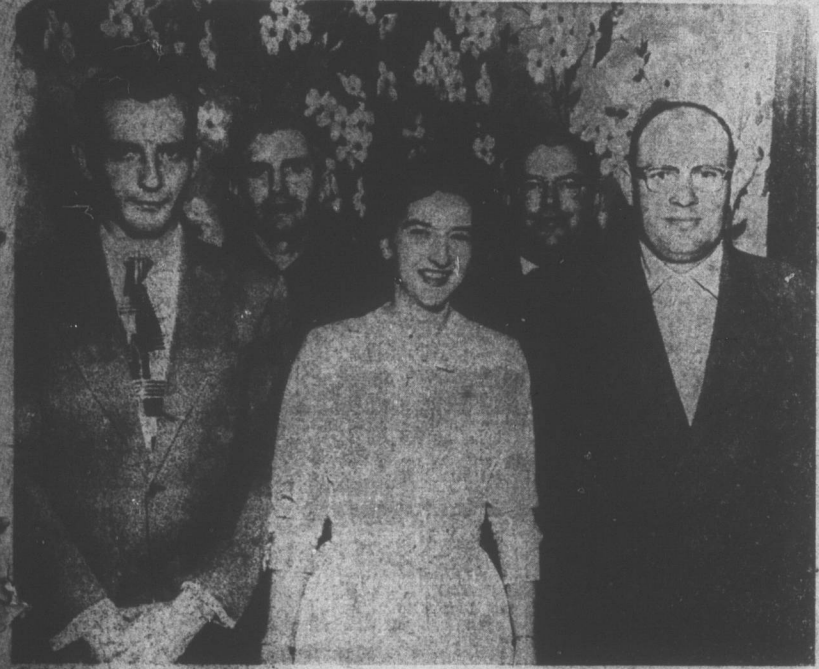
WEATHER
North Carolina — Generally fair and somewhat warmer today and tonight. Low temperatures tonight 32-42. Thursday, increasing cloudiness and continued warm.

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LIKE DEFENDS LOYAL DEMOCRATS



NEW OFFICERS — New officers of the Benson Chamber of Commerce, named last night, are pictured above. Harold Medlin, elected the Young Man of the Year by the Junior Chamber of Commerce at Benson recently, was re-elected president. Pictured (l. to r.) front, are: Medlin; Mrs. Lib Ferguson, secretary and manager; and Willis McLamb, first vice president. Back row: (l. to r.) H. D. Denning, second vice president; and Brantley McLamb, treasurer. (Daily Record Photo)

Harold Medlin Is Re-elected President Of Benson Chamber

Harold Medlin, popular young businessman of Benson, was re-elected president of the Benson Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the Board of Directors last night at the Carolina Hotel.

Medlin was recently named the outstanding Young Man of the Benson Chamber of Commerce. He also serves on the town board.

Other officers named last night included: Willis McLamb, first vice president; H. D. Denning, second vice president; Brantley McLamb, treasurer; and Mrs. Lib Ferguson, secretary and manager.

Members of the Board of Directors met last night to draw up plans for the year, hold elections, and to install five new directors. Named directors for 1954 were: Ralph Delano, Brantley McLamb, Noel Auman, and R. B. Whittington who was elected to the Board.

OTHER MEMBERS
Old members of the Board include: (Continued on Page Three)

These Little Things

BY HOOVER ADAMS

TRUMAN SENDS PHOTO TO A DUNN ADMIRER
Something new has been added to the office of former Mayor Herbert S. Taylor, Dunn insurance man and founder of Dunn's famous Kneepais League.

An autographed picture of former President Harry S. Truman, Mr. Truman sent it to the Dunn man a few weeks ago and he has had it framed and hung over his desk.

Taylor met Mr. Truman at the White House in August of 1948 when he took his Kneepais League to see the President. He has exchanged letters with Mr. Truman several times since.

The Dunn man mentioned to Mr. Truman a year or so ago that he'd like to have a picture of him. Months went by and Taylor figured the former president had forgotten all about his request.

But the other day the picture came. (Continued on Page Two)

Gleason, Wife Won't Divorce

NEW YORK (AP) — Television star Jackie Gleason said today that divorce was "out of the question" in the triangle involving himself, his estranged wife and dancer Marilyn Taylor.

Recovering from a broken leg in a Park Sheraton Hotel Suite, Gleason said today. (Continued on Page Three)

Warren On Board Of Wholesale Co.

Warren's Retail Cut-Rate Drug Store in Dunn is now affiliated with the North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, it was announced today, said C. O. Warren, owner of the local drug store, is a director of the wholesale firm.

The large wholesale drug house was organized by a group of North Carolina druggists who saw the need of having their own wholesale house.

In operating their own wholesale firm, the members-owners are able to buy direct from the manufacturers and thus save the usual distributor's fee.

CARE FOR CUSTOMERS
The wholesale drug store is expected to pass on the savings to customers.

Warren, one of the best known druggists in this section of the State, has served on the board since its formation in the beginning.

Warren is in line with six other druggists on Page Three.

C. O. WARREN

Unrest Growing In East Germany On Vote Issue

BERLIN (AP) — East Germany's Communist regime today was reported to have cancelled all leaves and called back all men on furlough to crush spreading unrest and mounting demands for Western-type free elections.

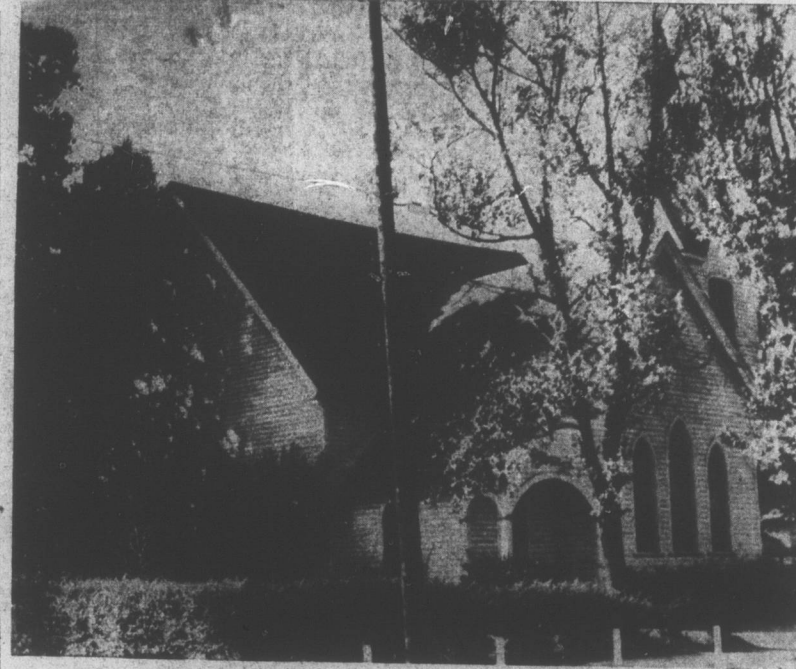
The Red police underscored with gunfire, which wounded one German on Berlin's city frontier, their orders to deal ruthlessly with anyone suspected of agitating against the regime.

The West Berlin "Fighting Group Against Inhumanity" reported that the Communists have brought their militia-like police force up to its full, 200,000-man strength in fear of a new workers' revolt, similar to that of last June 17. Official confirmation of the report was not immediately available.

SPREADING RAPIDLY
The U. S. High Commission's newspaper Neue Zeitung said discontent is spreading rapidly as a result of the refusal of Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, to accept the West's plan for free all-German elections and reunification of the country.

A fuel shortage was reported to be so acute that many cities in the Red zone were without bread because bakeries had no fuel for their ovens. Power cuts limiting service to eight or 12 hours were said to be in effect in many areas.

Workers' demonstrations, work stoppages and similar manifestations of deep-rooted unrest were reported from Halle, Leipzig and many other East German cities.



ERWIN METHODIST CHURCH OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY

Erwin Methodists Plan Celebration

The Erwin Methodist Church announced plans today for a week-long celebration of their Golden Anniversary beginning Monday. Rev. D. A. Petty, pastor, who made the announcement, stated that the Erwin Church will be 50 years old this week.

Every effort is being made to make next week the biggest celebration in the history of the Erwin Methodist, it was pointed out today. Histories of various phases of the church work are being written, and friends of the church, both old and new, have been invited back for the week of celebration.

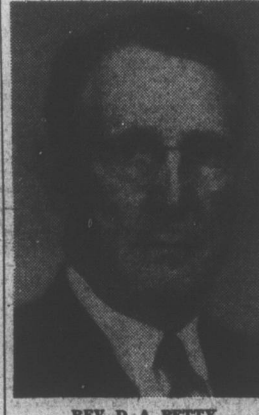
Rev. Petty said today that all former pastors of the church have been invited to the week of celebration, and that a number of them will be speaking during the week.

The observance will end February 21 with an afternoon meeting for an informal time of fellowship in which everyone will have an opportunity to speak, Pastor Petty stated. Dinner will be served on the grounds, or in the basement if weather is unfavorable, and all families have been asked to bring a basket of food for the final get-together.

PROMINENT SPEAKERS
Observance of the 50th anniversary will begin Monday evening, February 15 at 7:30 and will continue through the week with services every afternoon at that hour. The Rev. W. L. Maness, Elm City, who was pastor from 1916 to 1917, will be the Monday evening speaker. A history presented by E. S. Yarborough, Durham, and Mrs. E. G. Purcell, Erwin, will also be high lighted Monday evening.

Rev. J. J. Boone, Durham, who was pastor from 1926 to 1931, will be the speaker Tuesday evening, and E. B. Hudson, superintendent of the Erwin Methodist Sunday school, will continue the history high lights.

Wednesday evening, the Rev. E. C. Purcell, Jr. of Abokkie will preach. He is a native of Erwin, and a former member of the church. He joined the North Carolina Conference in 1943. Mrs. D. T. Stuts, Erwin who is writing the history of (Continued on Page Five)



REV. D. A. PETTY

Poet's Slayer Admits Crime

NEW YORK (AP) — A vagabond dishwasher has confessed he shot poet-novelist Maxwell Bodenheim to death in a Skid Row rooming house, police announced today.

The dishwasher is Harold Weinberg, 25, a scar-faced ex-convict. He is being questioned about the brutal stabbing of Bodenheim's third wife, Ruth Fagan, 35, whose body was found Sunday with her husband's in the \$5-a-week room rented by Weinberg.

Weinberg, who had been sought from New York to Florida, was captured in a basement room today less than 10 blocks from the 3rd Ave. room where the Bodenheim's bodies were discovered.

Police said Weinberg had not revealed his motive for shooting the poet. They said he confessed using a .22 caliber revolver for the murder but that neither the pistol nor (Continued on Page Five)

Lions To Welcome District Governor

Members of the Dunn Lions Club today were preparing to welcome District Lions Governor J. D. Peacock of Lumberton when he makes his official visit to the club Thursday night.

The meeting will be held in the General Lee Room of Johnson's Restaurant at 7 o'clock, according to an announcement made by President Jesse Capps.

District Governor Peacock will address the Lions on the club program for the year. He will be accompanied by Deputy District Governor H. Putman Elus of Aberdeen. (Continued on Page Five)

News Shorts

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The Vatican said today continued improvement in the condition of Pope Pius XII gives hope that he will have "a quick, general recovery," but every precaution is being taken to safeguard against a relapse. Vatican sources warned that the extreme weakness of the Pope, and the fact that he is nearing 75 years of age, mean that even with continued improvement it probably will be months rather than weeks before he is able to resume public audiences.

HONG KONG (AP) — Successors to the famous "Flying Tigers" may fly again for the French in Indochina, it was reported today.

RELIABLE sources said Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's Civil Air Transport, a postoffice holdover of the "Tigers" was asked if it could supply pilots and crews to operate C119 Flying Boxcars. The answer was "yes."

BASSAU, B. W. I. (AP) — The 72-foot yawl Escapade of Detroit apparently beat 24 other yachts to the finish line today in the annual Miami-Nassau yacht race.

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Sen. Marvin Minter announced today he will ask the Virginia General Assembly to cancel reciprocal agreements on Truck taxes between Virginia and other states.

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Two Cuban stowaways agreed today that their destination isn't as sweet as the ride.

Juan Calles Calderon, 23, and Jose Ferrer Williams, 29, were arrested when a sugar boat from Havana docked in Richmond Monday. They had stowed a "nest" in the ship's sweet cargo, and Calderon said they lived on "crackers, little fish sardines, and a couple of bottles of water."

CHAPEL HILL (AP) — Former President Gale Pines of Rolland will deliver the annual series of Well Lectures at the University of North Carolina March 11-13. Dr. Alexander Heard, lecture committee. (Continued on Page Eight)

BULLETINS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force announced yesterday it will present to Congress soon a 1954 construction program providing for 13 new bases in this country and the expansion of a number of current facilities. It said the new bases are needed to expand the Air Force to the proposed 137 wings. The Air Force did not estimate the cost of the program, but said use of some planned bases depends on reaching satisfactory agreements with local communities.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The "Gillette bill" to put coffee trading under federal supervision was assured of easy Senate passage today. The bill, to subject the New York Coffee Exchange to regulations imposed by the Commodity Exchange Administration, gathered dust for three years after it was first drawn up by Sen. Guy M. Gillette of Iowa following a 1950 coffee price investigation. But when congressmen's mail recently started getting protests (Continued on Page Two)

Vivien Leigh Hurt, But Show Goes On

LONDON (AP) — Vivien Leigh broke her wrist during last night's performance of her latest play, but she played her part to the end.

Miss Leigh was hurt when she slipped and fell on stage barely five minutes after the first curtain rose in "The Sleeping Princess." She limped to her first act and went on without incident. She was injured.

Homer J. Lanier Dies In Raleigh

Homer J. Lanier, 60, prominent Raleigh merchant and husband of the former Miss Elsie Baggott of Dunn, died Tuesday night in Rex Hospital. He had been critically ill for about a week with a heart ailment.

Mr. Lanier was well known in Dunn and visited here often. He was the son-in-law of Mrs. Fred Baggott.

Lanier was a partner with James B. Womble and George B. Richardson in the men's clothing firm of Lanier-Womble, Inc. in Raleigh.

He entered business for himself several years ago after many years connection with other stores in Raleigh, including Lewis, Inc. and Cross and Linehan.

Mr. Lanier suffered a heart attack a few years ago, but recovered and was able to continue in his business until several days ago when he was stricken again.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed at noon today.

Members of the family left Dunn for Raleigh immediately upon receiving news of his death.

Lanier was a son of the late Deputy Sheriff Jim Lanier and Mrs. Lanier of Lillington and was widely known in Harnett County. He spent most of his early life in Lillington.

Surviving are his second wife, the former Miss Elsie Baggott of (Continued on Page Five)

Dunn Rotarians To Attend Meet

The Dunn Rotary Club has chartered two big buses to take local Rotarians and their wives to the 27th District Conference at Goldsboro Friday night.

President John Strickland said the group would leave from the Dunn Armory at 5:30 o'clock. Rotarians Paul Walker and Charlie Hildreth are in charge of the arrangements.

The Rotary group will attend the Governor's Banquet, which is the highlight of the annual conference, to be attended by representatives from 40 clubs.

Three members of the Dunn club, Al Wullenwaber, Hoover Adams and Norman Suttles, are on the conference committees for the Goldsboro meeting.

Lennon Says Scott Is Not Qualified

RALEIGH (AP) — Former Gov. W. Kerr Scott makes the first speech of his newly announced campaign for the U. S. Senate in Chapel Hill tonight; but the first blast in the expected struggle was fired yesterday by his principal opponent, aimed directly at Scott.

Sen. Alton A. Lennon, making a "non-political" address in Charlotte, declared "there's a lot of difference between being a governor and being a senator." He did not mention Scott by name, but added "when you're governor you're the big boss, but when you're a senator you've got 55 other bosses as big as you are."

CHIEF SCOTT WRANGLES
"That means you've got to work pretty closely with other folks and some people just don't have the capacity to get along with others," Lennon said.

Despite Lennon's opening round blast, there was confidence in the Scott camp today. Scott named State Sen. Terry Sanford of Fayetteville as his campaign manager. (Continued on Page Three)

Gregory Announces For A Third Term

Harnett Representative Carson Gregory of Angier, Route 2 today announced his candidacy for reelection to a third term and said he would pay his filing fee within the next few days.

Gregory has said all along that he would be a candidate, but today he made it official.

In a brief statement issued today, Rep. Gregory said:

"I am deeply grateful for the splendid and loyal support which you have given me in the past. It has been a privilege and honor to serve the people of Harnett during the past two sessions of the General Assembly.

"If you see fit to reelect me again, I pledge that I will continue to render the very finest service possible. As always, I am anxious to see all the people of the county and to receive your views and expressions on matters before the Legislature.

So far, no opposition to Gregory (Continued on Page Three)

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NATIONAL GUARD — Ed Wade of Dunn National Guard stated today that the local unit paid out \$22,399.44 in 1953. Out of this, \$2,787.55 was used for upkeep of the Armory and for general repairs, he stated.

TWO ARRESTED — Two persons have been arrested within the past 24 hours according to the Dunn Police Department's record. Charged were Robert L. McCullum, 34, a Dunn, charged with the Gregory year-old white man of Route 4 (Continued on Page Three)

Says Program For Good Of Entire Nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower said today he thinks it is untrue, politically unwise and foolish to say that all Democrats are tinged with treason or amount to security risks.

As for Democratic pleas that he halt charges of treason by Republican leaders, Eisenhower told a news conference there is no way a President could stop this except among his own branch of government.

Thoughtfully and slowly, he then said he doubts that any great display of partisanship by his executive staff is particularly appropriate at this particular time.

CALLS NO NAMES
Eisenhower called no specific names. Nor would he entertain any discussion of specific individuals, particularly Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy R-Wis, who have been attacking the last two Democratic administrations.

After the President's brief discussion on his distate for extreme partisanship, a reporter asked whether it was accurate to construe his remarks "as meaning that you could counsel the officials of the executive branch of government not to indulge in ex-

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