

WEATHER

North Carolina — Partly cloudy to cloudy today, tonight and Friday with scattered showers Friday mostly in north portion. Not as warm northeast and extreme north portion today.

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BOOST IN TAX EXEMPTION PREDICTED



YES, THIS IS IN DUNN — You may not believe this, but the above picture was taken within the Dunn City limits. It is on Granville Street, between King and Layton Avenue. A town ordinance requires that all homes within 200 feet of a sewer line must lap on and destroy outside toilets. All of the above toilets are within 200 yards of a sewer line, yet some 12 toilets are still in use in this area. A six inch sewer line has been run within 200 feet

of every house in this area. While there is a penalty of from \$10 to \$50 for violation of the ordinance requiring the removal of the unsightly outhouses, at least 15 Dunn persons are going unpunished, Harnett County Health Officer Canady says he doesn't have the time to do all that has to be done. But his boss, Dr. Hunter, says Canady is doing the work very well and has never asked for help. (Daily Record Photo)

These Little Things

LITTLE NOTES: Major Merritt Burns of the U. S. Marine Corps, a native of Dunn, has written his brother, Archie, that he'll be in Fort Bragg for the maneuvers... Mrs. Remsburg and Gene Smith talked Shop Bryan into going to Raleigh with them to hear the symphony... Mrs. Remsburg and Mrs. Smith went to Campbell to hear the Ococks... Empie Hall has recovered from a foot injury... Thomas L. Thomas, the famed baritone of the Frestone program, will give a concert in the Fayetteville high school auditorium on March 16th... Just a reminder—perish the thought—that March 15 is the final date for taxpayers to file their Declaration of Estimated tax for the year... A mass jump of 9,000 paratroopers was scheduled between Fort Bragg and Camp Mackall today... Seavy Carroll, candidate for Congress, was in Dunn again yesterday, said he'll go to Raleigh today to officially file for office... Guy Lombardo and all three of his famous brothers, Carmen, Victor and Lambert, were in Durham last night for the Merchants Association dance... The Lombardo band alternated with Ray Anthony's orchestra for the big event... Thomas Aiman, star witness in the Jernigan insurance case, says he's getting mighty tired of telling the same old story over and over... He'll tell it over again—and for the first

Privies Are Still Problem In Dunn

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of articles on community problems. It should be noted that discussion of these problems would give Dunn a better standing in the Floss Carolina Contest. Information is being gathered first hand and from as many persons as possible.

Everyone connected with the enforcement of health and sanitation laws in Dunn agreed this week that open-pit toilets here are bad, but no one could place the blame for their continued existence.

Briefly, those responsible for the inspection of toilets here are: M. H. Canady, Harnett County's sanitation officer. He is employed by Dr. W. B. Hunter and the Harnett County Health Board, with the approval of the County Commissioner. His salary is set by the same Board that appoints him, with the approval of the Commissioner.

Dr. W. B. Hunter, head of the Harnett County Health Board. He is appointed by the County Commissioner and spends part of his time in Lillington at the health office and part time at the Dunn Health Center.

Chief Alton A. Cobb, Dunn's sanitation officer. He is appointed by the City Manager and his salary is set by the local City Council.

City Manager A. B. Ussler: the local City Council appoints the City Manager and his salary is set by the Council. He is responsible for the supervision of Chief Cobb's work.

ALL INTERVIEWED: All of the above persons have been interviewed as to their duties and specifically as regarding open-pit toilets in Dunn.

Canady spent part of this week in Dunn where he was working on the toilet problem. He reported that in September, 1953 a survey was made and it was found that there were 90 open-pit toilets in Dunn. However, later investigation showed

Hayes said that the Lasseter, mistakenly accused him of reporting to school officials that Bill Lasseter, son of Earl Lasseter, knew something about a dynamite explosion a few days earlier on the school grounds.

HIT IN THE EYE: The prosecuting witness told the court Earl Lasseter came upon him as he started to enter his car in a deserted part of the school yard. He said he was hit in the eye, his face battered, and his lip cut.

Hayes told how Robert Lasseter, (Continued on page five)

Thomas Named To Navy Post

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower today nominated Assistant Defense Secretary Charles S. Thomas to be secretary of the Navy.

Thomas will succeed Robert B. Anderson as Navy Secretary. Anderson has been named to succeed Roger M. Kyss as deputy defense secretary.

The switches, if confirmed by the Senate, will take place May 1. Thomas, of Los Angeles and one-time head of a West Coast chain of clothing stores, served as under-secretary of the Navy for the first five months of the Eisenhower administration last year. He then was made assistant defense secretary for supply and logistics.

Thomas, 56, has served in naval aviation in World War I and was a special assistant for the assistant secretary for air and later to the later Navy Secretary James Forrestal in World War II.

At one time he was Los Angeles airport commission, a director of Lockheed Aircraft Corp., and president of the Navy League's West Coast branch.

Hooper To Attend Clinic In Atlanta

ATLANTA, Ga. — Dr. G. L. Hooper, prominent Dunn dentist, is among the first to register for the big Thomas P. Hinman Mid-Winter Dental Clinic, which will be held in Atlanta's big Municipal Auditorium March 21, 22, 23 and 24. This will be the 42nd annual Hinman Clinic.

Slaying Case Is Near Jury

Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn this afternoon was scheduled to charge a jury in Cumberland Superior Court in the trial of Mrs. Madelyn Humphrey, widow of a slain gunman on trial as an accessory in the robbery and slaying.

Both the gunman, I. E. Russ, alias W. L. Humphrey, and the storekeeper, Herbert C. Ivey, were killed in the gun battle.

Higgins Takes Over State Democratic Post

RALEIGH (AP) — Carlisle W. Higgins of Winston-Salem today took over as Democratic national committeeman from North Carolina, succeeding ailing Robert L. Doughton, 91, of Sparta.

Higgins was elected here yesterday by the State Executive Committee at a meeting at which Gov. William B. Umstead said that President Eisenhower "probably regrets his decision to be a Republican."

Umstead told the committee, "the greatest mistake the President of the United States ever made was the day he decided to be a Republican."

"I don't expect the President of the United States to admit it," Umstead said, "but if the inner recesses of his mind were examined I think it would be so."

The governor said he sympathized with the President because "he goes one way" and the Republican leaders "go another" on most major issues. "I have never seen as much chaos and confusion, bickering and cross-currents as in the Republican Party today," Umstead said.

Umstead congratulated North Carolina Democrats for "standing firm" in the 1952 campaign when "the lines were falling all around us." He predicted that the state would send a solid Democratic delegation to Congress after the fall election.

The executive committee voted to hold the state party convention here at noon Thursday, May 24, and set May 8 for precinct meetings and May 15 for county conventions.

The committee also adopted resolutions memorializing the late Sen. Willis Smith, the late Dr. James Y. Joyner of La Grange, the late James W. Armstrong of Charlotte, the late Gov. and Sen. Cameron Morrison, the late John Drew Warlick of Onslow County, the late Virgil Guire of Lenoir and Doughton.

Umstead picked Higgins, his state campaign manager in 1952, for the post of national committeeman and said, "I can testify to his brand of democracy."



THE SIX-YEAR-OLD Nudelmann triplets, of Ozone Park, N. Y., are rooting for their mother, Mrs. Anita Nudelmann, 30, whom they entered in the "Mrs. America" contest to be held in Ellinger Village, Fla. The youngsters sent in an entry blank when they heard of the competition. The mother holds baby Kenneth, who coos his vote. (International)

Judge Strickland Raps At Adultery

Judge H. Paul Strickland took a slap at illegal cohabitation in Records Court today when he warned two unmarried defendants to stop living together, and told a witness in another case that he and his "girl friend" would either have to change living places or get married.

In sentencing Lucy Council for assaulting a 16 year old expectant Negro mother, Strickland told Lucy that she would have to change her residence. She is living with Nathan Layton, who was also charged with assaulting the expectant mother.

Bringing the charges was Marie McNeill Lewis, 16, who told the court that Layton and his "housekeeper" were living in the same three room house.

On question of the Judge, the two admitted that they lived in the same house but said there was a bed and a couch in the apartment.

Other witnesses testified that Layton was a "real trouble maker" in the community and said he had

Bitter Fight On Proposal Is Expected

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democratic leader Sam Rayburn predicted today that enough Republicans will support a Democratic proposal for a \$1000 increase in personal income tax exemptions to assure House approval next week.

Rayburn made the prediction after a meeting of Democrats discussed the proposal to boost exemptions from \$600 to \$700.

"I think it will be approved," Rayburn said, adding that he expects "mighty few, if any" Democrats to oppose it.

But Speaker Joseph W. Martin Jr., doesn't think so. He conceded that if Democrats vote solidly for the \$100 increase it probably will be approved. He added, however, that he believes "there are enough responsible Democrats" to defeat the proposed increase.

Excise tax cuts The conflicting predictions came on the heels of House approval yesterday of an administration-proposed plan to cut federal excise taxes by almost one billion dollars a year. The excise tax reduction bill is expected to pass the Senate with little, if any, change.

Sensors braced, however, for a last-ditch administration fight to block the cuts, or at least to reduce them to soften the loss of revenue.

The Senate Finance Committee is expected to meet tomorrow to decide whether to hold hearings on the House-approved bill. The committee and the Senate itself will be working against an April 1 deadline, since some of the present excise taxes slated for continuance under the bill are scheduled to expire on that date under present law.

House Democrats proposed to try to tie the \$100 exemption increase to a second bill. This second bill, which has the support of Eisenhower and officials of his administration, would revise the whole federal tax code with a saving to individuals and business of an estimated \$1,397,000,000 a year.

Prison Rioters Are Quietened

CHICAGO (AP) — A county jail riot by 19 hard-shelled hoodlums was broken up by tons of fire hose water and volleys of tear gas Wednesday night-but until the rioters gave their captors a lesson in animal courage.

The prisoners, including a condemned murderer and an incorrigible 16-year-old boy, huddled under blankets in the barricaded day-room of the huge jail for hours as water slammed into the cell and bomb of extra-strong tear gas exploded.

DAUGHTER'S WEDDING STARS LAVISH JACK BENNY



JACK BENNY AND MARY LIVINGSTON congratulate their only daughter, Joan, 19, and her brand-new husband, Seth Baker, 26, after the wedding ceremony in Beverly Hills, Calif. Many Hollywood celebrities attended, and they saw Benny, the famed "lightning" of radio and television, in the role of godfather and proud father. The opulent affair was reported to cost \$50,000. The bride's gown of white French silk tulle had a 15-foot train. The newlyweds will honeymoon in Hawaii and live in New York. (International)

Education Official Assaulted By Boys

By LOIS BYRD, Record Staff Writer. Earl and Robert Lasseter, two brothers who are members of a well known Anderson Creek family, on Tuesday were found guilty in Harnett Recorder's Court of assault on Edison Hayes, member of the Anderson Creek school board.

The fracas, which involved two of the leading families in that section, occurred the night of December 18 behind the Anderson Creek school house following a meeting of the Parent-Teacher association.

+ Record Roundup +

TO CHARLOTTE — H. T. Atkins of Lillington, Claude Hope and J. C. West of Dunn have returned from Charlotte where they attended the North Carolina State Republican Convention. They expressed pleasure in the election of Ray Jennings of Taylorsville as state chairman of the state Republican Executive committee. "Jennings looks like a go-getter," commented Atkins, who noted that Jennings has been elected seven times Mayor of Taylorsville, a Democratic town. "That proves it."

BULLETINS

PLYMOUTH, Ind. (AP) — Seven persons were burned to death early today when a fire levelled a two-story frame house at nearby Hibbard. Authorities said 12 persons were sleeping in the six-room house when the fire broke out at about 3 a. m. Five of them were believed to have escaped.

RALEIGH (AP) — The swing of former supporters of Hubert E. Olive to Sen. Alton A. Lennon continued today as John Clonts of High Point assumed his duties as city manager of Lennon's campaign for the Democratic nomination for the Senate in the May primary. Clonts was High Point manager in Olive's unsuccessful bid for the gubernatorial nomination in 1952. In that campaign, (Continued on page two)