

**+WEATHER+**

Partly cloudy today with chance of scattered showers or thunder-showers in northwest portion in afternoon; partly cloudy and mild tonight.

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# SEGREGATION OUTLAWED



**POPULAR PROGRAM** — The "Talent Show" program presented each Sunday at Johnson's Restaurant in Dunn is proving highly popular with citizens throughout the area and each week draws large crowds. It features outstanding talents of the section. The two attractive young ladies shown here, Miss Linda Faye Sutton of Suttontown, left, and Mrs. Susan Black of Dunn, right, were among yesterday's winners. In the center is Janice Cloone of WCKE, popular master of ceremonies. Both Miss Sutton and Mrs. Black are popular with local audiences. (Daily Record photo.)

## VFW Members Rap Sentence Of Dickensen

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars attending the annual Eighth District encampment in Lillington on Sunday went on record as disapproving the ten year sentence handed Cpl. Edward Dickenson for collaborating with the Communists.

The resolution was sharply critical of the long prison term recently given by an Army court martial to the young soldier from the mountains of Virginia who after having first decided to remain with the Communists in Korea had a change of heart and returned voluntarily to his native land only to face a court martial. Dickenson was convicted of tattling on his fellow prisoners to curry favor with his Communist captors. His case is now before the Army board of review.

**DERRICK RENAMED**

Delegates to the encampment re-elected D. M. Derrick of Fayetteville as district commander without opposition. Other officers

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**CONGRATULATIONS** — Mrs. W. E. Nichols of Coats, one of Harnett's leading Democratic women, is shown here congratulating W. A. (Bill) Johnson of Lillington upon his reelection as Harnett Democratic Chairman. Johnson was unanimously renamed at Saturday's convention. (Daily Record Photo.)

## High Court's New Ruling Unanimous

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Supreme Court ruled today in an historic decision that racial segregation in public schools is unconstitutional.

Speaking for an unanimous court, Chief Justice Earl Warren said education must be available to all on an equal basis.

The decision, a sweeping victory for Negroes, is probably the most important in U. S. race relations since the famous Dred Scott decision of 1857, which held that a Negro was not a citizen.

The Civil War reversed that decision.

Warren said because of the wide ramifications of the decision, formulation of specific decrees will be delayed until further arguments have been heard.

But the court by Warren's opinion today laid down the rule that segregation is "a denial of equal protection of the laws" to Negroes.

This is the phraseology of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution, on which the Negroes relied in bringing their case.

Today's decision was taken in four cases brought originally in four states—South Carolina, Virginia, Delaware and Kansas.

In asking further assistance from the parties in the cases in formulating specific decrees, the court said it would consider whether Negro children should be admitted forthwith to schools of their choice or whether the court has authority to "permit an effective gradual adjustment."

Should the court act along these lines, it would also want to know whether a special master would be needed to hear evidence on what the decrees should contain, or whether the court itself should formulate the decrees; or whether the court should send the cases back to the lower courts for this purpose.

If the cases do go back to the lower courts, Warren said, the Supreme Court wants advice on what directions to give the lower tribunals as to contents of the decrees and procedures to be followed.

Some nine million white and 2,650,000 Negro children attend separate schools in 17 states and the District of Columbia.

Arizona, Kansas, New Mexico and Wyoming also have segregation laws.

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## Court To Wait Until Fall To Issue Decrees

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Supreme Court ruling that racial segregation in schools is unconstitutional will not produce any immediate major changes in the affected educational systems.

The court made that clear today when it postponed until fall the drafting of specific decrees, pending its ruling this week. The court announced it will consider later whether it can ease the impact of its decision by permitting "an effective gradual adjustment."

## Gov. Umstead Disappointed Over Ruling

**ATLANTA (AP)** — Officials of Southern states, in the main, withheld comment today on the historic Supreme Court decision that racial segregation in their public schools is unconstitutional.

But Gov. William B. Umstead of North Carolina said he is "terribly disappointed" at the action.

Other governors asked time to study the full text of the decision and confer with their aides before making formal comment.

Outspoken Tom Linder, commissioner of agriculture and candidate for governor in Georgia, said he is going to have segregation regardless of what the court rules.

Mrs. Ruby Hurley, in Birmingham, regional secretary for the NAACP in seven Southern states, said she was awaiting orders from chief counsel Thurgood Marshall.

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## These Little Things

**LOCAL STORES HAVE WATERMELONS ALREADY**

State Senator Bob Young isn't using his picture on his campaign cards this year, but has turned to poetry instead.

On one side, his card reads: "Re-elect Bob Young to State Senate, Democratic Primary, May 29, 1954. Experienced — Capable."

The other side gets poetic: "I have no pictures, hate to relate, but there is one thing I'd like to state, Pictures in Raleigh will not help out. It takes a man who knows what it's all about. This is no time to experiment."

**LITTLE NOTES:** Father Francis McCarthy was probably the happiest man in town when his parishioners presented him that beautiful new \$3,700 Mercury yesterday morning. "Am afraid I'll get sunburned with that pleated top," he kidded. He had

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## Marley Is Named As Jury Foreman

A. R. Marley of Erwin was named foreman of the Harnett County Grand Jury this morning as a one-week term of criminal court opened in Lillington with Judge Joseph W. Parker presiding.

## Erwin Mills Report Loss First Half

Durham-Erwin Mills, Inc., operated at a net loss of \$306,735.52 during the six months ended March 31, and as a result did not declare a dividend at the end of the period, stockholders were advised today.

William H. Ruffin, president of the company in a letter to stockholders said that operations before audit adjustments for the six months included net sales of \$27,651,000 and showed a net loss of \$306,735.52.

Reflected in the figures," he said, "was a loss of \$413,500 arising out of the sale of obsolete and irregular goods which had been carried in our inventories from one to three years."

He added that "in view of the above," the company's directors "did not declare a dividend payable on April 1."

## Patrolman Has Narrow Escape

Patrolman Paul Lucas of Lillington escaped without injuries early today when his patrol car was wrecked after he chased a motorist speeding 95 miles an hour near the county seat.

Sgt. George Stewart of Smithfield, quoted the Patrolman as saying that Lucas saw a 1950 Blue Ford make a turn on highway 210 and head south at a very high rate of speed.

The officer said the car turned left on a hard surface cut off by between 210 and 15-A near the Souther Service station. Lucas said he was using his siren and red light constantly in pursuit of the car.

Stewart said the patrolman told him the speeding car, going 95 miles an hour, went into a curve and the driver lost control of it. The Ford crossed into the right lane of traffic and rolled over into Winston Bryd's driveway and came

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## Scott Due Here This Afternoon

**FAYETTEVILLE (AP)** — Senatorial candidate W. Kerr Scott will climax a day of campaigning in Harnett and Cumberland counties with a speech tonight at a Cape Fear Valley rally at the Cumberland County courthouse here.

Scott was scheduled to make an appearance in Dunn before the city hall this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Local supporters were preparing an enthusiastic reception for him.

Scott's campaign manager Terry Sanford, said yesterday, "This will be another important speech in which Gov. Scott will of course, talk sense. He again will bring up and discuss a matter of great importance to the people."

Scott will campaign tomorrow in Cabarrus County and Wednesday in Wayne County.

His opponent for the nomination in the May 29 Democratic primary, Senator Alton A. Lennon, has almost completed his county campaign organization.

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## Johnson Renamed Democratic Chief

A point of order was raised Saturday at the biennial convention of Harnett County Democrats.

## Costello Given 5 Years, Heavy Fine

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Boss racketeer Frank Costello was sentenced today to five years in prison and was fined \$130,000 for income tax evasion.

Costello, 63, was convicted last week of evading \$139,015 in federal income taxes in the years from 1947 through 1949.

Costello was ordered to pay the costs of his prosecution. He was remanded to jail immediately pending an appeal for freedom on bail.

Federal Judge John F. S. McCoohey sentenced him today to the maximum five years imprisonment on each of three counts of his conviction, the sentences to run concurrently. The fine was also the maximum.

Prior to sentencing, Judge McCoohey denied more than a dozen defense motions for dismissal of the conviction. Defense counsel Leo C. Fennelly said the case would be appealed.

Costello got out of prison only last October after serving 14 months and 15 days of an 18-month sentence for contempt of a congressional investigating committee.

The dapper gambler served only one other prison term prior to his contempt conviction, a brief jail term in 1915 on a gun-carrying charge.

## CLASS MEET POSTPONED

The T.E.L. Class of the First Baptist Church will meet on Tuesday evening, May 25th at the home of Mrs. Allen Lee. The meeting has been postponed due to a death in the family of Mrs. Lee.

## MRS. CUTTS DIES

Mrs. E. L. Cutts of E. Divine St., Dunn, died Sunday afternoon after a lingering illness. She is survived by her husband, Isaac (Ike) Cutts of the home. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

## C. of C. Announces Sales School Plans

Businessmen and merchants of Dunn will sponsor a sales school on Thursday and Friday, May 20 and 21, with Fred Palmer, well-known director of sales clinics, leading the discussion.

Plans for the clinic were announced today by Paul Walker, chairman of the Retail Merchants' Association of the Chamber of Commerce.

The school will open Thursday at 8 o'clock with a one hour session for department and variety stores. Other sessions to be held during the day will include:

- Department and Insurance sales, 10 until 11 o'clock; Auto and appliance dealers, 11:15 until 12:15; and the Chamber Board of Commerce and committee heads, 1:30 until 1:50; and the service

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## + Record Roundup +

**POTENTATE TO VISIT HERE** — Noble J. Rooker of New Bern, Potentate, Sudan Temple will be a guest of the Dunn Shrine Club at a dinner meeting to be held at Johnson's Restaurant tonight at 7:30.

**THIRTEEN ARRESTS** — Chief of Police Alton A. Cobb reported 13 arrests over the weekend. Eight of those arrested were charged with drunkenness. Listed today were: Wilbert Harrison, Dunn, Route 5, drunk, A. A. Williams, 514 E. Townsend, public drunk; Howard McLean, 918 W. Carr, drunk; Delbert Faxon Hobson, Dunn, Route 5, speeding; Julia Blue, W. Johnson, possession; Jesse Franklin Blue, Dunn, Route 5, drunk; John R. Barefoot, Dunn, Route 5, possession and drunk; Roger McNeill, Dunn, Route 1, drunk; Moses Wright, Ft. Bragg, drunk; Lucille Bell, Duke Street, drunk; John Hardy Maynor, Dunn, drunk; Frank Sankey Jr., Ft. Bragg, operating a car on someone else license; and Sherrill Bradley Casdie, Dunn, Route 3, speeding.

**HOMECOMING** — The Long Branch

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**FATHER MAC GETS NEW MERCURY** — Members of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dunn have presented Father Francis McCarthy a beautiful new Sun Valley Mercury. Shown presenting the keys to him yesterday morning is