

Considerable cloudiness and little change in temperature tonight with occasional rain east portion. Friday partly cloudy and warmer.

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SMALL TORNADO RIPS THRU HARNETT



DURHAM INSURANCE OFFICIAL HONORED — E. L. Tilley of Durham, district manager of the Life and Casualty Insurance Co. of Tennessee, was honored by Eastern Carolina officials of the company at a banquet meeting held in Dunn Wednesday night. The occasion was Mr. Tilley's 34th anniversary of service with the company. Pictured left to right are: seated, Loroman C. Dupre, Jr. of Dunn, superintendent of the Dunn district, and Mr. Tilley; standing, D. E. Wilson of Durham, district supervisor and assistant to Mr. Tilley; Frank McLeod of Dunn, special agent; E. W. Black of Durham, a supervisor; and R. K. Sheppard of Rocky Mount, another district supervisor. (Daily Record Photo.)

Tilley Is Honored Here Last Night

Eastern Carolina officials of the Life and Casualty Insurance Co. of Tennessee, at a banquet meeting held Wednesday night at Johnson's Restaurant in Dunn, paid high honor to E. L. Tilley of Durham, district manager of the company.

The occasion was Mr. Tilley's 34th anniversary of service with the insurance company and the event was named "E. L. Tilley Night" in his honor. Supervisors, superintendents and special agents from all sections of Eastern Carolina were here for the afternoon business session and evening banquet, held in the General Lee Room. Loroman C. Dupre, Jr. of Dunn, superintendent of the Dunn district, and members of his staff were hosts for the meeting. Dunn was selected as the place for the meeting because of the outstanding sales production record of the local staff. WILSON PRESIDES D. E. Wilson of Durham, district supervisor and assistant to Mr. Tilley, served as toastmaster for the occasion. The invocation was given by R. W. Black of Durham, a supervisor. Mr. Dupre welcomed the visiting officials and agents to Dunn and J. K. Boyette, superintendent of the Fayetteville district, responded. Tributes to Mr. Tilley were paid by Mr. Wilson and by R. K. Sheppard of Rocky Mount, district supervisor. In his speech, Mr. Wilson pointed out that Mr. Tilley has the distinction of being head of the largest...

Erwin Pastor Lauds Ruling

The Rev. Bob Insko, popular young pastor of the Erwin Episcopal Church, today wholeheartedly endorsed the U. S. Supreme Court's ruling outlawing segregation in public schools of the nation. "It is a crying shame that the church has not been more prophetic in its proclamations concerning non-segregation," the young minister declared. The 31 year old minister took the position that equalization in public schools is the "Christian way" and indicted the churches for not seeing this before. FAVORS OPEN CHURCH While the Episcopal Church governing body has the say so in ruling an organized group, Rev. Insko indicated that he would favor opening his church to Negroes, both for attendance and membership. "My church is not autocratic like the Roman Catholic," Rev. Insko said, "We operate like a democracy." But, the minister added that if it would meet the approval of his church governing board, he would be happy to take Negroes into his church. "I firmly believe that the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court is a step ahead," he asserted. CONDEMNING PREJUDICES Elaborating on this statement, Reverend Insko pointed out that the decision will improve our "relationship with the people in Communist Countries." He explained that so long as this country holds...

McCarthy Says He Tried To Advise Ike

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy said Wednesday night he tried to tell President Eisenhower his side in the angry Army-McCarthy row before it "exploded" publicly but failed to get a White House appointment.

The Wisconsin Republican told reporters he tried to arrange the appointment because he thought the President "was not getting all the facts, and before we had a spectacle here, he should get my version." The White House declined comment on McCarthy's disclosure. McCarthy said sometime between Jan. 22 and Feb. 24 he asked Victor A. Johnson, director of the Senate GOP Campaign Committee, to seek the appointment through Maj. Gen. Wilton B. (Jerry) Persons, the President's liaison man with Congress.

"Jerry, whom I like a lot, hasn't called back," McCarthy said. Not A Snub But McCarthy said he did not consider this a snub since the President is "a busy man." He said he could not remember the exact date he sought the appointment, but said it was "well before this thing exploded."

McCarthy, meanwhile, said he was "at a loss" to decide whether to go ahead with the Army-McCarthy hearings because of a presidential order forbidding money about a high level administration conference last Jan. 21 on the dispute.

He would not give a flat yes or no on whether he and his staff will boycott the stormy hearings which are to resume Monday. But McCarthy said the President's secrecy order was "completely unfair to my staff," and said Mr. Eisenhower was "making a grave mistake."

"I can't understand someone saying in one breath, 'I want all the facts on the table. I want the investigation to continue,' and in the next breath saying, 'I will not let the facts come out,'" McCarthy told reporters.

Ava Gardner On Way To New York

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Screen star Ava Gardner announced today she would leave for New York sometime during the day and Luis Miguel Dominguez, her constant companion here, announced he was giving up bull fighting for world travel. Dominguez, who has been giving bull fighting lessons to Ava while she was convalescing from a kidney ailment, did not say whether he would be traveling to the United States. "I'm not interested in bull fighting at the moment," he said. He has turned down engagements in North Africa and France. Miss Gardner planned to fly to London with her sister Beatrice to board a plane for the United States.

BACK ON JOB — Miss Irene Lassiter, Harnett County public health nurse, is back on the job for a part day basis this week after being ill at her home for the past ten days.

+ Record Roundup +

AMERICAN LEGION MEET — American Legion Post 59 will hold its regular meeting tonight at the Legion Hut on West Broad at 8 o'clock. Persons interested in the American Legion softball team are requested to attend the meeting. A film will be shown on the 1953 Legion Convention.

COUNCIL MEETING — Dunn City Council will hold a regular meeting tonight at 7:30. A number of issues are to be discussed, including the problem meter change over.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTED — A 33-foot-long swinging bridge at the river pumping station (which supplies Dunn with water) has been replaced with a stationary bridge built of concrete and reinforced with railroad rail. City Manager A. B. Umstead stated today. The bridge is supported by concrete columns poured in corrugated metal pipes, Umstead said.



STORM DAMAGE — Pictures above show part of the storm damage near Buie's Creek last night. At the left is the chimney that tumbled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Matthews at the old Butts homeplace, a landmark in that area. Family members were not injured although wind ripped up many trees. Matthews also suffered considerable damage to his farm crops. At the right can be seen the remains of the old C. H. Biggs homeplace in front of Pleasant Plains Church near Buie's Creek. Present owner C. Grayson Biggs of Lillington said fortunately no one lived in the house. (Daily Record Photo by T. H. Stewart)

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Heavy Damages Occur In Buie's Creek Section

By LOIS BYRD Record Staff Writer A small tornado ripped across a three-mile area just north of Buie's Creek last night in the vicinity of Spence's Crossroads uprooting great oak trees, and tearing tobacco, corn and cotton to shreds in the fields. An empty home was completely destroyed.

Torrential rains and heavy hail accompanied the storm which struck at 7 p.m. and lasted only around 15 minutes.

No person was injured, but at least half a dozen falling trees missed the houses actually by a few inches. No estimate was available on the damage to crops, some of the most valuable in the county.

At the Fulton Lanier farm, located on the Buie's Creek - E. M. Curran Road, about a mile directly north of the Buie's Creek business section, the storm felled a huge oak tree at the back yard which toppled within a few inches of the back porch. The smoke house was demolished, moved from its foundations and lids on the lard stands emptied by the force of the winds. Bricks from a chimney were scattered like leaves about the yard.

STATE CREWS AT WORK The garage escaped harm but the storm roared on to hit another big oak on the edge of the front yard which fell across the highway. State maintenance crews, assisted by a detail of prisoners, worked all day, last night and half of the morning to clear the paved highway.

A few hundred feet south along the same road leading directly from downtown Buie's Creek a tree was uprooted in the front yard of the Preston Butts home. Butts' automobile was partially damaged by the tree in its fall, but the house escaped. Lanier said his crop, "with the finest start in ten years" was demolished. He said some of his tobacco plants, all destroyed in the fields, had as many as ten leaves to a plant. The wind also ripped a roof from a tobacco pack house.

CROPS COST Crops at the Floyd Upchurch and W. J. Gregory farms also were reported as "a complete loss." At the Upchurch farm hall stones drifted into a pile under the eaves of the shelter large enough to fill a tobacco cart. Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Overby and son, Johnny, escaped harm when a big umbrella tree fell within inches of the front door of their small frame dwelling along the highway. (Continued on Page Eight)

Man Called Funeral Home, Shot Himself

BRECKENRIDGE, Tex. (AP) — James Clifford Lushy, a 42-year-old machinist, telephoned a funeral home, called a funeral home, and then shot himself. H. H. Satterwhite, owner of the funeral home, said Lushy asked him: "Thank, come get me in 10 minutes." Satterwhite complied and found Lushy dead on the kitchen floor of his home. A rifle was nearby and a suicide verdict was returned.

Negroes Are Freed On Rape Charges

The May criminal term of Harnett Superior Court adjourned Wednesday afternoon after a busy three day session which saw many prison terms handed down.

Members of the bar had requested court to close two days earlier than expected because Mrs. Lucy Alston, court stenographer would have to be absent on Thursday and Friday and the court could not proceed without her services. Mrs. Alston will be with her husband who will undergo a throat operation at Chatham County Hospital in Siler City. A directed verdict of not guilty abruptly ended the trial of James Edward Byrd and Johnny Hans Eason, two Dunn negroes, charged with attempt to commit rape. Both will go free. R. S. Jackson entered a guilty plea to speeding and drove 30 days of 120 fine and costs.

Democratic Keynoter Says GOP Confused, Fearful, Frightened

RALEIGH (AP) — The keynoter of the state Democratic convention said today that since the Republican victory in 1952 "we have become a confused, fearful and frightened people."

Former State Sen. Irving Carlyle of Winston-Salem, lashing out at "McCarthyism" and the Republican "Old Guard," told more than 3,000 North Carolina Democrats that problems of "grave concern" facing the world will "never be solved in inept, inexperienced and divided leadership."

SOLID POSITION Outlining a "mission of the Democratic Party," Carlyle said the party occupies a "solid, middle of the road position, ready as always for the responsibilities of leadership."

To lead our state and our nation and the free world in the middle course in the pursuit of life, (Continued on Page Eight)

SPIVEY RESIGNS J. S. Spivey, principal of the Shawtown High School for the past 23 years, has resigned to accept a new position as principal of the Junior High School in Fayetteville. Spivey heads Harnett's largest Negro school.

J. T. Moody, Jr., 27, Is Killed In Crash

Chief Petty Officer J. T. Moody, Jr. of Dunn, 27-year-old Navy helicopter pilot, died Thursday morning at 7 o'clock as the result of a helicopter crash that occurred Friday in Texas.

He died in a Corpus Christi, Texas Hospital where he had been a patient since the crash. His mother, Mrs. J. T. Moody, Sr. of Dunn, was at his bedside when death came.

EXPERIENCED PILOT The crash occurred at Kingsville, Texas where he was stationed. He was an experienced helicopter pilot and had been in the service for

about 10 years. Complete details of the crash were not known here. Members of the family said today that the body will be taken to the hometown of his wife in Illinois for burial.

Moody, member of a well-known Dunn family, was a graduate of Dunn High School. During World War II he served as a Naval pilot in the South Pacific.

Surviving are his wife; his mother, one daughter, Mary Patricia; one son, J. T. Moody, III, one sister, Mrs. Charles Moore of Dunn, and a brother, William Moody, who is stationed with the Army in Africa.

Fishermen Land 550 Pound Sea Monster

TAMPIOCO, Mexico (AP) — A 550-pound "sea monster" with long sharp teeth and flippers on its back and belly, puzzled this port's fishermen today. The "monster" was dragged from the sea by the crew of the shrimp boat Joehill E. Cerna, which docked here yesterday.

Capt. Antonio Martinez Cereces said it was a "most rare beast, six feet thick and four feet long." "It had flippers on both its back and belly and a half-moon shaped tail," he said. (Continued on Page Eight)

Hubert Peay's Mother Is Dead

Mrs. J. F. Peay, 70, of Rocky Point, mother of Hubert Peay of Dunn, died Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at James Walker Memorial Hospital at Wilmington. Mrs. Peay had been ill for some time. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 at Buie's Creek Baptist Church, near Rocky Point. Other details were not available immediately.

These Little Things

TEACHERS, POLITICS AND OTHER THINGS Constable O. E. Pearce, candidate for sheriff, has adopted a new slogan in his campaign. "Traveling over the county, he found many supporters who promised him: 'I'll help you out all I can.'" The veteran law enforcement officer thought it over and decided he didn't like that word "out" too well. So now he tells them, goodnaturedly: "Friend, don't help me out; please help me in."

And it always gets a good laugh. LITTLE NOTES: Preacher Tom Fryer of Danville, Va., popped in to town the other afternoon to get Arthur Sugar to fit him and Pauline with some new glasses. "I hate to admit it," Tom told us, "but we are getting old." He was here only a few minutes but found time to visit with his close friend, Paul L. Strickland. He no doubt was trying to talk Paul into a fishing trip, and that doesn't take much talking. Both love to go fishing. A lady phoned us the other day to protest that she couldn't find a doctor on Wednesday afternoon. "I tried from 1 o'clock to this afternoon until 8 o'clock tonight and haven't found one yet."

Five People Badly Injured In Wreck

Five persons, at least one of whom is seriously injured, are being treated at Dunn Hospital today for injuries sustained last night around 11:30 when two cars had a head-on collision on Highway 55, one mile east of Dunn. Highway Patrolman David L. Matthews said the accident occurred when the two cars, one a 1937 Plymouth coupe driven by Rafeord Russell, 37, of 499 W. Divine Street, Dunn, and the other a 1935 Chevrolet driven by Carl Wayne Williams, 18, of Dunn, Route 3, collided on a sharp curve. The cars were going in opposite directions. Matthews stated. THOSE INJURED In the 1937 Plymouth sedan killed were, Melvin Parker, a 20-year-old son of Rafeord Russell, 37, of Dunn, Route 3, Dr. R. S. Doffenmyre stated this afternoon that Parker's condition is

"critical." Besides internal injuries, the youth had 15 ribs broken, the Doctor stated. Nine of the ribs were broken on one side and six on the other, he said. In all of his practice, this is the most broken ribs he had ever known a person to have at one time. Dr. Doffenmyre declared. Tart suffered bruises, lacerations, and abrasions. With Williams in the 1935 Chevrolet was Shirley Raynor, 19, of Dunn, Route 5. Williams suffered a dislocated hip and fracture of the pelvis, and Miss Raynor suffered minor lacerations. Dr. Doffenmyre said. CARS DEMOLISHED Both cars involved in the accident were completely demolished. Patrolman Matthews stated. The Chevrolet was valued at around \$1,500, and value of the Plymouth (Continued on Page Five)