

Partly cloudy to cloudy and mild today with high 80 to 86. Wednesday cloudy and mild with occasional rain likely.

IKE TRYING TO GAIN OFFENSIVE



NEW CAMPBELL DORM — The new \$240,000 girls' dormitory of Campbell College, Bules Creek will be formally opened on January 15 during the Homecoming Day activities. The dormitory houses 72 girls in modern two-bedroom suites. A beautiful reception room with kitchen facilities is located on the ground floor. Adjacent to the reception room are the dean's quarters and a guest room. Architects for the construction were Page and Smith of Raleigh. R. M. Turlington of Lillington was general contractor.

Benson Wants Authority To Cut Parity

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agricultural Secretary Ezra T. Benson thinks Congress should give him authority to lower farm price supports to 75 per cent of parity.

Benson asked the last Congress for authority to reduce supports to 75 per cent of parity if he felt such action necessary. But Congress granted him authority to set supports at anywhere from 82 1-2 to 90 per cent of parity.

The secretary said last night on a radio program that he believes the Democratic-controlled Congress will make some effort to return to fixed price supports at 90 per cent of parity. He said he hopes such a move will be defeated and the flexible price support program be given a good trial.

"We have had a very stable period in agriculture for the last couple of years, and we anticipate that in 1955 farm prices will remain close to the level of the latter part of 1954," he said.

WANTS MORE COTTON

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. James O. Eastland said today he and Sen. Lister Hill will offer legislation to raise the national cotton acreage allotment to 19 1-2 million acres this year and restore the former five-acre minimum allotment. Eastland (D-Miss) and Hill (D-Ala.) said in a statement that lack of the five-acre minimum, which was in the law until this year, works "an undue hardship on thousands of small cotton farmers."

VISIT PARENTS

Mrs. Jack Lee Stewart and daughters, Sheila and Susan of Bule's Creek and Winston-Salem left via Capital Air Lines January 1 for Huntsville, Alabama, where they are visiting Mrs. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Camp.

VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lancaster and son, Marshall III of Raleigh spent Sunday in Dunn visiting her mother, Mrs. R. L. Godwin. Mrs. Lancaster is the former Miss Rebecca Godwin.

Court At Benson Has A Busy Year

The Benson Recorder's Court at Benson, established just two years ago, had a big and busy year during 1954. A total of 1,294 cases were tried and the court had an income of about \$30,000.

J. Ed Johnson is judge of Benson's Municipal Court. February led all other months in the number of trials, with 191, and March was close with 187. June trailed all the other months with only 56 cases.

February also set something of a record as exactly 100 speeding cases were tried that month. Most of these cases originated from the highway patrol's "speed clock" operations in the area. Motor vehicle violations led the parade into Benson's court, as 352 speeders were tried, along with 90 for improper passing, 96 for careless and reckless driving and 66 for driving without operator's license.

+ Record Roundup

NEW AD SERIES—The First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. of Dunn today is beginning in The Daily Record an outstanding series of advertisements which will be of great public interest. The ads published as a public service, not only publicize the many fine services rendered by the banking institution, but also give helpful information to the public on such important matters as the making of wills, settling of estates, the importance of savings and other financial subjects vital to all persons. The first of these ads will be found today on page three in The Record. The series was prepared for the banking firm by Bennett Advertising, Inc. of High Point.



DUNN HOSPITAL GETS NEW ADMINISTRATOR — M. E. (Pop) Winston, left, retiring administrator of Dunn Hospital, Inc. is shown here welcoming his successor, Dr. Alfred L. Cornwell, right, who came to Dunn from Lumberton, Dr. Cornwell has an outstanding record in hospital administration and officials of the Dunn Hospital expressed delight in securing him for the position. Mr. Winston will remain until March 1 to assist Dr. Cornwell. (Daily Record Photo.)

Solons Pick Leaders Today

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jubilant Democrats and less cheerful Republicans thronged back to the Capitol today to choose their leaders for the Democratic-controlled Congress which opens Wednesday.

Both parties in both houses scheduled conferences of all their members to get set for formal election Wednesday of House and Senate officials. Except for some lesser posts in the House, the results were foregone conclusions.

House Democrats scheduled a morning conference to nominate formally Rep. Sam Rayburn (Tex) as speaker and to elect Rep. John W. McCormack (Mass) as their floor leader. McCormack in turn will name a ship to be his chief assistant.

Republican senators — in the new role of minority party — (Continued on Page Two)

Greenville TV Is Not For Sale

Earl McD. Westbrook of Dunn, president of the Carolina Broadcasting Co., owner of Greenville television station WNCT-TV, today branded as "completely untrue" reports that negotiations are underway for sale of the station.

The company only recently turned down a \$1,087,000 offer from Winston-Salem Broadcasting Co. for 80 per cent of WNCT-TV holdings.

Reports had been circulated that officials of the company have been negotiating with the Durham Life Insurance Co., owner of Radio Station WPTF at Raleigh, for sale of the company, but Westbrook said there is absolutely no foundation for these reports.

Westbrook, former Dunn mayor and prominent Dunn business man, declared:

"NOT INTERESTED" — Personally speaking, I am not interested in selling to anybody and I am confident that a majority of the other stockholders feel the same way."

Mr. Westbrook and members of his family own controlling interest in the television station. He pointed out that 40 per cent of the stockholders voted against selling to the Winston-Salem firm and 13 per cent did not vote at all, which made a majority of 53 per cent against selling.

President Westbrook said he and other stockholders were well pleased with the success and progress being made by the large Eastern Carolina television outlet.

Astor Won't Give Wife More Cash

MIAMI (AP) — Millionaire John Jacob Astor II said today he already had given his estranged third wife "more than she is entitled to" and denied he offered to make her a cash settlement.

Astor said the report he has countered Mrs. Dolores Dolly Fullman Astor's request for \$500,000 with an offer of \$41,000 is untrue. "I have made no offer and will make no offer," he said. "I did give her approximately \$20,000 in money and jewels. That is more than she is entitled to."

Astor last Friday filed a counter suit for divorce or annulment. In his suit he charged Dolly had posed as a "white flower of purity" and with the aid of her parents "shoved him" into marriage with "greed in her heart."

The attractive blonde sued him for divorce last Nov. 22 because of something "so intimate in nature," she said, she didn't want to tell about it.

Plans Appeal To Little Man Of Nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower is maneuvering to seize the political offensive from Democrats in the 84th Congress and to keep it as the session unfolds.

The Eisenhower fan club around town is betting on Ike. The E-F-C is prejudiced and their bets don't guarantee that the President will get away with it.

But it is a fact that Mr. Eisenhower is adjusting himself to big league politics. The magazine "Newsweek" in its Jan. 10 issue has a run down on White House politics devoted largely to identifying and estimating the horsepower of the President's political advisers. The magazine quotes an unidentified Republican politician like this:

"Ike's a natural-born politician—potentially as good as Franklin D. Roosevelt. He gets along with people instinctively."

The judgment continued that the President frequently had been slow to reach decisions but that they were sound politically when finally made. Practice is quickening Mr. Eisenhower's political reflexes.

GO FOR "LITTLE MAN"

A presidential decision now fixed firmly past all modification is that the Republican party must make a more direct appeal to the so-called little man. That was FDR's major stock in trade and his most valuable asset. Mr. Eisenhower plans to make it his asset, too.

FDR told millions that they were "ill-housed, ill-fed and ill-clothed" and kept right on punching with promises to do things big and important about it.

President Harry S. Truman, probably the best politician of the lot, carried on likewise, but slugging roughly where FDR daintily boxed. Mr. Eisenhower is more in the Roosevelt pattern, a charmer with a smile plus determination to persuade some millions of little fellows who marched under the Roosevelt and Truman banners that they would be better off now in the Republican parade. That will be quite a chore because Mr. Eisenhower also is committed to a comparatively sound — or hard-money program designed to check inflation and to an agricultural policy which unquestionably will reduce farm subsidies.

But watch for the President's recommendations for higher minimum wages, extended Social Security, government aid in housing, federal support of medical insurance—and such-like. Most of these in their infancy were the bright ban-

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Santa Claus Gets Fine For Larceny

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Santa Claus was fined \$17 Monday for petty larceny.

Glen Dross, who was employed as a Santa by the Chamber of Commerce, pleaded guilty to stealing a carton of cigars.

Dr. Sheppard Loses Round In His Fight For Freedom

CLEVELAND (AP) — Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard's sole hope to escape a life sentence for the slaying of his wife appeared today to be on the grounds of new evidence.

Judge Edward Blythin turned down two defense requests for a new trial Monday and said the Bay Village osteopath had been afforded "a fair trial by an unbiased intelligent and impartial jury."

But the judge went ahead with plans to hear on Saturday a third motion based on the defense claim that new evidence has been uncovered.

Dr. Sheppard, who was convicted of second degree murder in the July 4 slaying of his pregnant wife, will remain in the county jail here until after the Saturday hearing. If it is delayed or denied he probably will be transferred to the State Penitentiary at Columbus to start serving his sentence. The conviction makes provision for parole at

the end of 10 years.

SUBMIT 40 INSTANCES

In Monday's proceedings, defense counsel William J. Corrigan submitted 40 alleged errors in one motion and added another which was classified as a supplemental motion by the judge.

Judge Blythin, in a memorandum filling 15 typewritten pages, eliminated one by one the claimed errors which involved such matters as news coverage, jury handling and court procedure. The lengthy rebuttal rejected the alleged errors with such terse comments as "no facts," "indefinite wording," and "vague."

Judge Blythin gave most of his attention in the memorandum to the defense motion charging the

press coverage of the case as "prejudicial to the defendant."

The defense contended from the outset of the trial that the press coverage was prejudicial to the young osteopath.

NEWS COVERAGE DEFENDED — Judge Blythin held that "Such exposure to public attention are not matters of prejudice, for or against, either the state or defendant, but matters of news interest to newspapers."

He noted the case attracted both national and international attention but pointed out that "the defendant and his chief counsel were far more gracious to the press, photographers and gallery than was the court."

"NO CONVICTION" — Ruling on the defense contention about the publicity before the trial, Judge Blythin said that "no conviction was made."

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These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

TIT TART LIKES FORST SAUSAGE; OTHER NOTES

Arthur (Tit) Tart loves the famous Forst smoked sausage that's listed in Esquire magazine... Porter's Restaurant keeps it for him all the time... It sells for \$1.30 cents a pound and it's delicious... Gilbert Porter gave us a few links of it the other day... Incidentally, Porter says it's "almost impossible now to buy real country-cured hams in this section... Because of the hot winters and the increase in the number of home freezers, most farmers get their meat killed and cured at the freezer locker... There's nothing better than good country ham and nothing worse than bad... Clarence McLamb is an ardent fan of "The Great Gildersleeve"... Bruce Byrd has been raising parakeets here for several years... He has some beautiful ones, too... Why don't the fashion experts pick at least one pretty young girl among the nation's 10 best-dressed women each year?... We were looking at pictures of this year's best-dressed clothes horses the other day and came to the conclusion that none of them would look good in anything—no matter how much it cost or who designed it—at their age and with their figures... "After all," points out our friend Corky Cretini, "it isn't the clothes a girl wears but how she wears them and how well she fills 'em up"... Now that is a typical man's viewpoint... And why do women dress up? For the men, of course... Mrs. Bill Lee spent the (Continued on Page Two)

Grant Will Direct "Miss Dunn" Pageant

Harold Grant, Dunn High School band director, has been appointed chairman of Dunn Jaycees' "Miss Dunn" Beauty Pageant for 1955.

His appointment took place at a meeting of the Jaycees held Monday night in the conference room of Westbrook Chevrolet Co. and was announced by President Hubert Peay.

Peay said Dunn's pageant, to select a young lady to represent Dunn in the 1955 "Miss North Carolina Pageant" will be held in late March or early April.

MISS RING INVITED

He said Miss Betty Jo Ring of Lexington, the current "Miss North Carolina," was being invited to serve as one of the judges at Dunn's pageant this year and that the date would be set at a time when she will be able to attend.

The current "Miss Dunn," pretty Becky Lee, ended up in second place in the "Miss North Carolina" pageant last summer and lacked only one point of clinching the State title.

Dunn Jaycees last year staged a highly successful pageant, attended by nearly 1,000 local citizens.

A larger number of entries is expected this year than last year. It was the first time Dunn had entered a contestant in the State pageant in a number of years.

"This year's pageant," said Peay today, "will be bigger, better and more elaborate than ever."

Boy, 15, Sent Up For Razor Menace

ASHFORD, England (AP) — Dennis Foster, 15, was sent to a reformatory Monday for terrorizing his playmates with an open "cut-throat" razor.

Police said his school nickname was "Dennis the Menace."

Jimmy Roosevelt In Capitol

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another Roosevelt is in town today for service as an elected federal official. This one says he isn't going to do much talking — at least at first. James Roosevelt, eldest son of the late President, Monday moved into an office on the back hall of the old House Office Building. Wednesday, he will be sworn in as the representative in Congress for the 26th California District.

His brother, Franklin Jr., moved out of his office last week after representing a New York City district since 1949. He quit for an unsuccessful try for state attorney general.

"Jimmy" told a reporter his main interests in Congress will be in the fields of education, labor and foreign affairs. There's a lot of interest in his Los Angeles district in foreign policy, he said, and he will be "active on that."

"But that doesn't mean I'm going to make a lot of speeches on the floor," he said. "That will have to wait."

Roosevelt was denied support by the Democratic National Committee in his election campaign because of his widely publicized marital difficulties.

OUT-OF-TOWN EXODUS EXPECTED

Jelke Subpenas Prominent Clients Of His Call Girls

NEW YORK (AP) — Oleo heir Minot (Mickey) Jelke arrived here by plane from Miami today to prepare his defense at a second trial on charges he ran a plush, \$100-a-night call girl ring for cafe society.

The 24-year-old heir to a marriage fortune was met at the airport by his chief attorney, George W. Herz, who indicated earlier that Jelke's defense would be based on the contention he was "just a naive young boy who fell victim to a lot of Pasadena sharpshooters."

Jelke declined to answer reporter's questions. He confined his remarks to: "Good morning. I am glad to have the opportunity for a new trial to vindicate myself."

He said he would stay at his mother's home in Danbury, Conn., while waiting for a date to be set

for the trial. His blonde wife, Sylvia, whom he married after his conviction on the vice charges, did not accompany him on the trip north due to "reservation difficulties," his attorney said.

CLIENTS TO TESTIFY

Herz said that 50 or more men who patronized the call girl ring would be subpoenaed by the defense to appear at the new vice trial. But he lamented the fact that the holiday weekend had delayed machinery for issuing subpoenas, thus giving the men a chance to get out of town.

"Florida and Bermuda are going to be terribly crowded," he said. Herz said he would have no mercy on prominent persons in finance, business and the movie industry whose names were understood to have been listed at Jelke's first trial. That trial was voided last Friday by the Court of Appeals on grounds press and public had been barred during the testimony.

Jelke was convicted and sentenced to three to six years on charges of forcing young girls to work for him as prostitutes.

The district attorney's office meanwhile, pressed its efforts to convict Jelke a second time by rounding up witnesses against him both here and in California.

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