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Mostly cloudy and colder. Friday considerable cloudiness and not as cold with occasional rain.

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WINTER KEEPS NATION IN ICY GRIP



SAINT OR SIREN?—Beautiful Ava Gardner, the Goddess of love, has what it takes to play either role. In Photo at left, she has that alluring look which gives her a "a way with the men." She's shown

at right in a pose that makes her look almost angelic. She's with Rossano Brazzi in a scene from "The Barefoot Contessa," which, incidentally, opens Sunday at the Stewart Theatre in Dunn.

AVA IS A RARE FEMALE — SHE'S MIXED UP

The Truth About Ava Gardner

These Little Things
By HOOVER ADAMS

This is the last in a series of articles on Ava Gardner, the Goddess of Love from Johnston County. Copyright 1955 by the New York Daily News.

By JESS STEARN

Ava Gardner has never been particularly satisfied with her status at MGM, financially or picture-wise. Characteristically, she has no qualms about expressing her displeasure.

"The Killers" was probably the first picture to bring her prominence, though she caught many an eye — and whistle — in the sleeper, "Whistle Stop." "East Side, West Side," and "The Hucksters" put her in the big time.

But she is loath to give MGM to which she is bound by long-term contract, the credit it thinks it deserves.

This is the last of the series by Jess Stearn on Miss Gardner. On Monday, *The Record* will publish a feature written specially for this newspaper by Earl Wilson, our famed New York columnist.

"In more than 10 years at MGM," she says, "I made more movies on loanouts to other studios than for MGM." She points out wryly that she was loaned out to United Artists for "The Barefoot Contessa" for \$200,000 and 10% of the picture's profits, all going to MGM.

"Just imagine how rich I'd be," she smiled with a bitter twist of her lips. "If I had 10% of the profits." She gets "considerably less," she says, than the \$250,000-a-year commonly attributed to her.

During her recent sojourn in New York for "The Barefoot Contessa" opening, Ava avoided MGM executives and refused to return.

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LITTLE NOTES ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS

If you want a little entertainment, you'd do well to meet a smiling little Negro boy who sells *The Daily Record* on the streets of Dunn.

He's one of the cutest and richest young characters we've ever come in contact with. And he has that Ipana smile.

His name is Lindbergh Ray, 14-year-old student at Harnett High School. He also answers to the name of "Hot Dog" and "Hamburger."

Lindbergh says that everybody thinks he sounds like a girl when he talks—and he does.

"But I'm a boy," he explains. We were looking straight at him.

Lindbergh was by himself in the office the other night when the phone rang. The lady at the other end of the line kept saying, "Yes, Ma'am."

"You don't have to say 'yes ma'am to me," protested Lindbergh to the lady. "I'm just a little boy." Lindbergh says his daddy lives

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FREE COFFEE FOR CHAMBER MEMBERS

Coffee And Idea Sessions Slated

Members of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce are going to get free coffee "on the house" in a series of "Let's Get Better Acquainted" meeting to begin in the near future.

Plans for the unique morning coffee sessions were made at the monthly dinner business meeting held Thursday night at Johnson's Restaurant. President Emmett Aldredge presided.

Under the plan, members of the chamber will be invited to the chamber offices in small groups each morning until all have been invited.

At these meetings, Manager Ed Carroll, President Aldredge and other members of the board will exchange ideas with them on ways to improve and expand the town and community.

COMPLAINTS WELCOME
"Criticism and complaints will be just as welcome as suggestions and ideas," said Manager Carroll.

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Fath's Line Shows No Hips, Bosom

PARIS (AP)—A young widow striving to carry on the tradition of her late husband kept alive the great fashion house of Jacques Fath with a showing today of 1955 styles.

Genevieve Fath put women back in the fashion designing picture with a show that had something for all shapes and sizes. From siren sheaths, curvaceously shaped, to prim English school-boy styles, Madame Fath presented beautifully executed clothes which carried all the popular trend seen in the current battle of the bosoms.

The buyers and experts gave warm applause to this fallant attempt to carry on the high standards for which Jacques was famous. All were happy to see her succeed.

Two silhouettes predominated: the "drinking straw" line which revealed neither bosom nor hips, and the "suspended fullness" skirt.

ROUGH WEEKEND AHEAD
RALEIGH (AP)—The weather bureau said today there is a "definite risk" that sleet and snow may "affect the streets and highways" in North Carolina by Saturday night. The forecast said rain or sleet would probably begin in the western part sometime Saturday.



Mary a politician has made the mistake of thinking he could start a landslide by slinging mud.

Work Approved For New Area

Dunn city council Thursday night voted to install water and sewage and storm sewers in the new \$200,000 Latimer residential development on Pearsall Street and Ann Avenue in the southwest area of town.

Request for the improvements were made by C. T. Latimer, prominent Dunn realtor, contractor and developer of the property. Mr. Latimer has already erected 108 new homes in Dunn.

Mr. Latimer and other property owners in the area will pay their proportionate cost of the project. The council also agreed to clean out a ditch which crosses the property.

TAG CHECK ORDERED
Police Chief Alton A. Cobb was instructed to have his force stop all automobiles in the city, beginning immediately, to determine what local residents have not purchased their 1955 city tags.

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Boy Tortured To Death By Aunt

PAULS VALLEY, Okla. (AP)—A 90-pound woman, facing possible death in the electric chair for the torture murder of her 5-year-old nephew, said today she has talked with God, and he "promised he is going to work things out."

"I know the Lord is on my side," said Mrs. Virginia Thompson, 29, an ex-barmaid who has been described by her brother as a "religious fanatic." County Atty. Raymond Burger said he would seek the electric chair for Mrs. Thompson, who is charged with the death of Lloyd George Stanley. No woman has ever received the death penalty in Oklahoma.

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+ Record Roundup +

MUSICAL VARIETIES—Mrs. Rea Whittenton has announced the schedule for her radio program, "Musical Varieties."

On Monday Mrs. Warren Mitchell of Benson will be the featured vocalist, Tuesday Hazel Jones will play piano selections, and Wednesday Mrs. Whittenton will present an organ program. The vocalist Thursday will be Mrs. J. Edgar Black Jr. and on Friday, Mrs. Whittenton will present the choir from the Baptist Branch Sunday School.

DINNER MEET—The Harnett County Farm Bureau will hold a dinner meeting on Tuesday, February 15 at 6:30 p. m. in the Lillington School Cafeteria. Purpose of the gathering is to discuss legislation affecting farmers now pending in the N. C. General Assembly. Plans also will be made for the annual membership drive. James Tart, Lillington, Route 2, county president, will preside.

ARRIVE IN TURKEY—Mrs. Ma-

Hudson River Is Frozen Up In New York

By UNITED PRESS
Winter kept its numbing grip on the East today, freezing the Hudson River solid in a New York City suburb, and snow, sleet, and freezing rain swept unchecked up the nation's midsection.

Big ice floes clogged the Hudson at New York, delaying the French liner *Liberte* from docking for two hours and posing serious navigation problems to tugs and other smaller vessels.

The nation's biggest city braced itself for the second straight day of below zero weather in Manhattan's worst cold wave in seven years.

At suburban Tarrytown, N. Y., the three-mile-wide Hudson was frozen over solid. The ice was from four inches to two feet thick and it was the first time since 1918 that the river had frozen so far south.

SOME RELIEF DUE
A Coast Guard icebreaker was needed to free two lighters stalled in the Tarrytown ice with 100 crates of new automobiles aboard.

Warmer weather was promised for the shivering East today, but a heavy snow and ice storm was rapidly gathering strength in the Midlands.

The giant storm system stretched from Texas to the Canadian border, beginning with freezing rain.

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Month's Permits Total \$25,000

Building permits for new construction, additions and repairs totaling \$25,000 were issued in Dunn during the month of January, according to a report released today by City Building Inspector John E. Norris.

New construction accounted for all but \$600 of the total.

Following is a list of the permits issued:
Joseph Johnson, E. Godwin St., \$5,000; Brady Hollingsworth, E. Godwin St., \$5,000; Carl Fitchett, N. Layton Avenue, \$1,000; William S. Wellons, W. Godwin St., \$1,200; D. H. Godwin, Carr Heights, \$2,500; O. M. Hamilton, N. Wayne Ave., \$7,000; Malcolm Hodges, S. Washington Ave., \$3,500, all new construction; and H. P. Johnson, S. Clinton Ave., \$7,000.



FARM YOUTHS RECEIVE HONOR—Vice President Earl H. Mahone of the First Citizens Bank, left, is shown here presenting checks to Bobby Stewart and Joel Johnson to defray their expenses at the annual Agricultural Short Course at State College. They were selected from a group of over 100 eligible youths. Right are Jeff Denny, an instructor at Dunn High, Mr. Mahone, who is also Key Banker for Harnett County, Stewart and Johnson. (Daily Record Photo.)

Harnett Farm Boys Honored

Two Harnett County farm youths have been selected to represent the county at the annual Agriculture Short Course to be held at State College in Raleigh in a program sponsored and financed by banks of the county.

Their selection was announced today by Earl N. Mahone of Dunn, vice president of the First Citizens Bank and Trust Company and Harnett's Key Banker.

Those selected for the honor are Bobby Stewart of Dunn, Route 2, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Stewart and graduate of Dunn High School; and Joel Johnson of Lillington, Route 2, son of Mrs. Myrtle W. Johnson and the late Colon Johnson and a graduate of Lillington High School.

Making the selection were Mr. Mahone, and County Agent C. R. Ammons, in cooperation with the various teachers of vocational agriculture in the county.

They were picked from a group of over 100 farm youths eligible for the award.

Requirements were: graduation from high school, the fact they have chosen farming as a career, outstanding records in 4-H and FFA club work, and the fact they did not plan to enter college.

Mr. Mahone said both of the

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Carroll To Speak At NCEA Banquet

Dr. D. D. Carroll, former Dean of the University of North Carolina Commerce School and now chairman of the Harnett County unit of the North Carolina Education Association Wednesday night at 7 o'clock in the Dunn High School cafeteria.

Plans for the meeting were announced today by County Superintendent Glenn Profit and Miss Bessie Massengill of Dunn, county supervisor.

Miss Martha McLeod of Benha-

ven school is president of the Harnett unit and will serve as toastmaster. Principal A. B. Johnson and members of the Dunn district faculty will be hosts. Miss Ophelia Matthews of Dunn High School is

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Gen. Chiang Says Formosa Is In War

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek said today Formosa has entered "a state of war" and that the day for "launching a counter-attack on the mainland is drawing near."

Chiang made the statement shortly after three waves of his bombers flew through heavy anti-aircraft fire and Communist night fighters in pre-dawn raids on Communist invasion buldups in the Tachens.

The Nationalist leader made the statement in a message to farmers on "Farmers Day." He urged them to heighten their vigilance and double their production efforts. It was his first public statement since the current crisis began.

Chinese sources said the statement indicated the firm stand Chiang is determined to make against any pressure to get him to agree to the idea of "two Chinas."

AN EARL WILSON EXCLUSIVE

Rubinstein Had Been Slated For Kidnapping, Shanghaing

By EARL WILSON
Special To The Daily Record

NEW YORK CITY—Serge Rubinstein was to have been kidnapped and taken out to sea on a tramp freighter — not murdered.

Enemies in the business world had hired kidnap experts to tie him up, toss him aboard this freighter which was in their hire, and shanghai him.

Then the ship's skipper—he was also a part of the plot—was to notify the Coast Guard that he'd found "some stowaway aboard."

The hated financial wizard was then to have been delivered to U. S. immigration authorities.

And for the rest of his life he would have been a man without a country, beating his head against the technicalities of the law, trying to get back into the U. S. to resume his money-grabbing ways.

This theory of Rubinstein's sensational death—fantastic as it may seem—has been turned over to police—seriously—by one of his few

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ALWAYS SURROUNDED BY PRETTY GIRLS—Serge Rubinstein, whose murder is baffling New York police, was a man with plenty of girl friends. He's shown here with two of them, Patricia Wray, left, and Joan Toll, right. Miss Wray, pretty secretary, was released by police last night after questioning.